



Notices February 25th, 2024 - Lent 2

Readings for this Sunday: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38
Next Sunday's Readings: Exodus 20:1-17; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22

Sunday Services: 8am and 10.30am

Evensong - February 25th at 4.30pm

Reconciliation of a Penitent (Sacramental Confession)

Tuesdays in Lent from 5-6pm

**A priest will be available in the chapel to offer the
sacrament of reconciliation.**

Weekly Events at Christ Church

Wednesdays 11am - Lectio Divina & Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

Wednesdays 5pm - Meditation in the Sitting Room

Thursdays 10.30am - Bible Study in the Crump Room

Lenten Study

Tuesdays at 6:30pm - February 27, March 5, 12, 19
Join Rev. Brandon for an exploration of the spiritual life
as we dig into the practices and beliefs that shape us to
follow in the way of Christ.

Quarterly Financial Update

"For the 6 months ended December 31 2023, offerings continue to fall behind budget. Designated donations are behind budget, mostly

due to timing of receipt of History & Archives grants. These grants are still expected and this revenue source should catch up in the rest of the year. Two bequests have come in sooner than budgeted but the total expected for the year has not changed. Expenses are being very closely monitored and are slightly less than budgeted. For the first 6 months, a slight deficit was incurred, better than budget.

Looking forward to year end, if donations come in on budget, which they haven't so far, we would expect a \$16,000 shortfall in revenues. On the other hand, some significant expenses are yet to be incurred and our rolling forecast shows expenses coming in over \$23,000 higher than budgeted. As a result, our deficit for the year is forecast to be just over \$46,000, much worse than budget. As the year progresses, all efforts will continue to be made to control expenses and to find ways of offsetting this significant forecast deficit."

The Anglican Parish of Christ Church, Elbow Park

6 Month 2023 - 2024 Results

	6 Month 2023/24 Actual	6 Month 2023/24 Budget	Full Year 2023/24 Forecast	Full Year 2023/24 Budget
REVENUE				
Offerings	404,943	416,656	748,117	759,827
Designated Donations & Fund Transfers	32,249	51,236	68,509	76,203
Diocese Donation	2,000		5,000	
Bequests Received	30,004		40,004	40,000
Endowment Tr./Rectory Tr. Fund Income	24		71,024	71,000
Rental Income	21,627	25,534	49,611	51,864
TOTAL REVENUE	490,847	493,426	982,265	998,894
EXPENSES				
Controllable Expenses				
Personnel	213,544	213,474	461,117	432,695
Facilities	88,711	88,248	190,251	190,652
Office & Administration	28,590	24,124	58,336	51,870
Worship Committee	7,514	6,760	17,252	16,497
Music Committee	20,227	20,085	46,532	46,390
Christian Education	28,990	35,362	36,462	42,830
Pastoral Care	1,693	2,052	2,995	4,104
Stewardship	734	5,050	734	5,050
Hospitality	2,680	5,275	4,830	7,425
Total Controllable Expenses	392,685	400,430	818,510	797,514
Diocesan Apportionment	76,016	73,242	152,407	150,144
TOTAL EXPENSES	468,701	473,672	970,917	947,658
SURPLUS/DEFICIT PRIOR TO TRANSFERS	22,145	19,754	11,348	51,236
TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS				
Outreach	6,944	8,748	17,504	17,500
Property Preservation Fund	20,000	20,000	40,000	40,000
Endowment Trust	0	0	0	0
TOTAL TRANSFERS OUT	26,944	28,748	57,504	57,500
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(4,799)	(8,994)	(46,156)	(6,264)
OPERATING SURPLUS/DEFICIT, beginning of year	334	334	334	334
OPERATING SURPLUS/DEFICIT	(4,465)	(8,660)	(5,930)	(5,930)

Please save the date

On Saturday March 23rd at 10am, the congregation is invited to make Palm crosses in the Crump Room. This is an intergenerational activity. For many years the Altar Guild has made 300 crosses for the community to receive on Palm Sunday. Many of us keep our crosses in a visible location for the year. We are one of a very small group of churches that continues to create crosses by hand every year. It is a fun activity that anybody can do. Please join us so we can continue this lovely tradition. Instructions will be provided.

Easter flowers

Once again the Altar Guild is selling hydrangeas, lilies and spring flowers to decorate the church for Easter. The cost is \$25 and goes to help pay for all decorations between Palm Sunday and all of Holy Week. If you would like to purchase flowers in memory of a loved one, in Thanksgiving or to the Glory of God, please contact Cynthia at the office. As always a list of tributes will be in the Easter notices.

FAITHFUL TO THE CALL

Honouring Bishop Victoria Matthews

and celebrating women in
episcopal ministry



ONLINE CONFERENCE
on FEBRUARY 26, 2024

Join us in honoring the 30th anniversary of the episcopal ordination of Bishop Victoria Matthews, the first woman to be ordained bishop in the Anglican Church of Canada. In an interactive webinar on Monday February 26, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Eastern Time, we will hear from a panel of women bishops about the joys and challenges of their ministry and their dreams for women in episcopal leadership. There will also be opportunities to reflect and ask questions.

Our panelists will be:

- Bishop Victoria Matthews, episcopal administrator with the Diocese of Moosonee, who has served as suffragan bishop in the Diocese of Toronto, as Bishop of Edmonton in Alberta and as Bishop of Christchurch in New Zealand
- Bishop Sarah Mullally, Bishop of London, England
- Bishop Riscylla Shaw, suffragan bishop, Diocese of Toronto
- Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy, Archbishop of Perth, Anglican Church of Australia

[Register now on Zoom](#)

Outreach Update

Springtime Care and Wear

The Outreach at Christ Church is launching a Lenten initiative to help out the students at Glenbrook Elementary School. This K-6 CBE school has a large population of students from all over the world who are at various stages of "fitting in" to life in a SW Calgary school. We have provided gift cards, clothing and shoes for them in the past and this year the need is greatest for:

Grocery/gas gift cards at Safeway and Co-Op
Indoor running shoes
Jogging/stretchy pants
Spring Jackets.

Please follow this link [**Click**](#) to sign up and see size details or the table in the loggia.

Music Notes for February 25/24

Last Sunday we offered two pieces titled "Hear my Prayer," one by Henry Purcell (1659-95) and one by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847). The two pieces do not share the same text. Purcell's text is a single sentence: "Hear my prayer, O Lord, and let my crying come unto Thee." The piece may have been intended to be part of a larger work. Mendelssohn's text was originally in German ("Hor mein Bitten") and is much longer. I remember, as a young choirboy, repeatedly listening to an old vinyl recording of Ernest Lough singing the "O for the Wings of a Dove" section of Mendelssohn's piece, marvelling at the beauty and precision of his voice. How I aspired to that kind of perfection! And how fortunate are we at Christ Church to have amazing singers like Hannah Pagenkopf and Oscar Southcott to sing this beautiful music?!

This Sunday morning we will present "O Nata Lux" by Morten Lauridsen (b.1943) and baritone, Adam Brousseau will sing an arrangement of "There is a Balm in Gilead" by Mark Hayes (b.1953). Both composers are American. The text of "O Nata Lux" translates as "O light born of light, Jesus, redeemer of the world... grant us to be members of thy blessed body."

At Evensong we will present Purcell's "Evening Service in g minor," "Preces and Responses" by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625) and John Barnard, and "Ne irascaris Domine" by William Byrd (1543-1623). Translation for the latter is "Be not angry, O Lord, and remember our iniquity no more. Behold, we are your people."

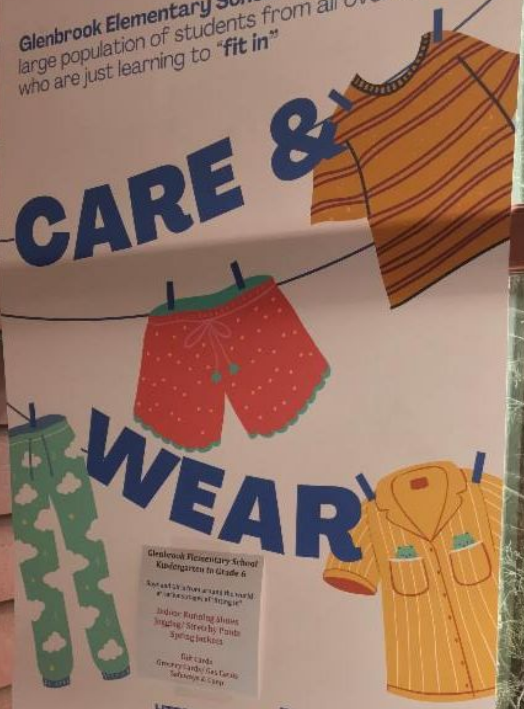
Paul Grindlay
Music Director

LENT FEBRUARY 14- MARCH 29

Glenbrook Elementary School K-6. CBE
large population of students from all over the world
who are just learning to "fit in"

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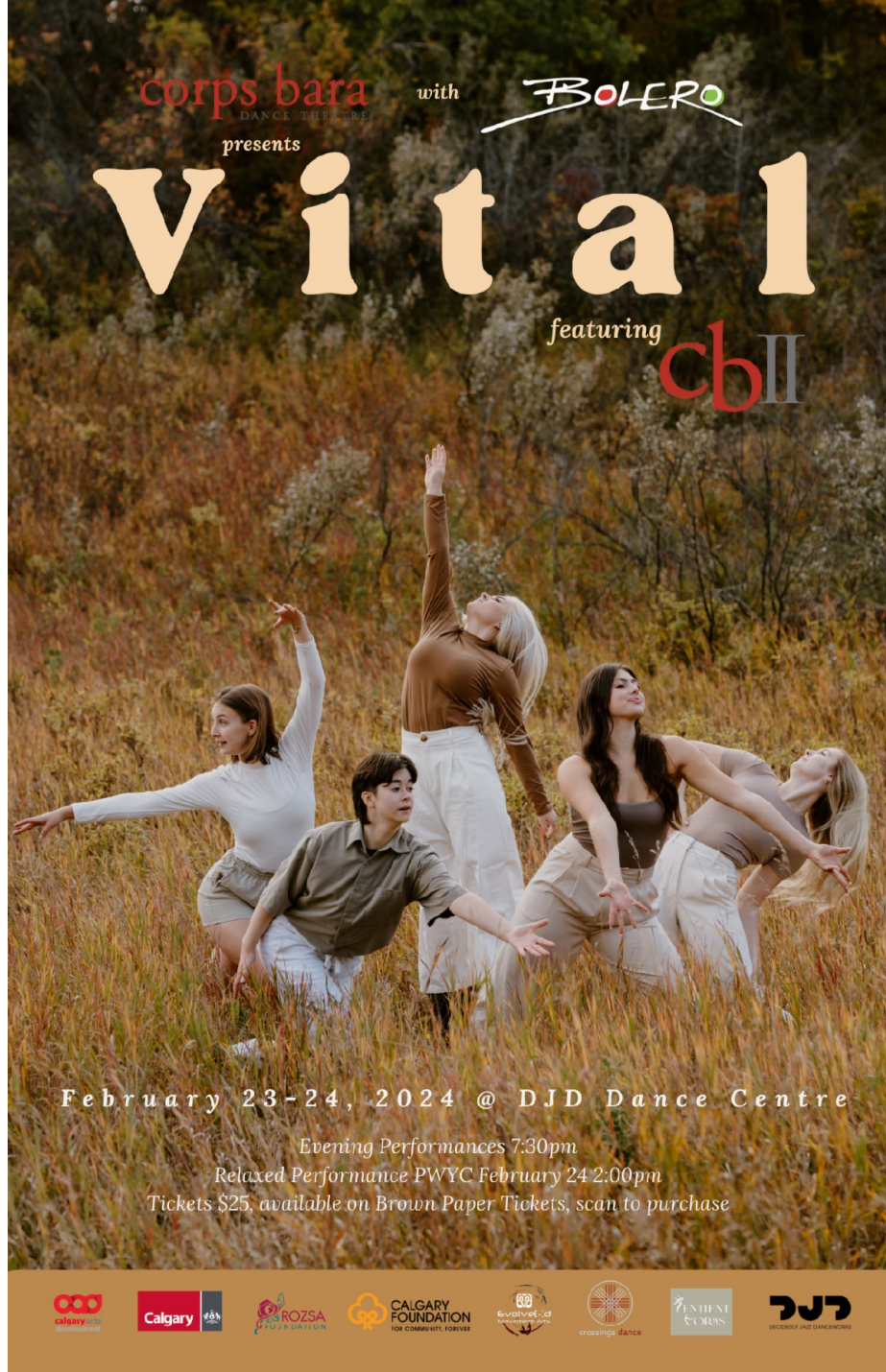
WEAR



Glenbrook Elementary School
K-6
K-6 students are just learning to "fit in"
Indoor Running Shoes
Socks
Sneakers

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February 23-24, 2024 at DJD Dance Center, 111 12 Ave SE, Calgary, AB T2G 0Z9

Evening performances 7:30pm and a relaxed-performance, pay-what-you-can matinee Saturday Feb 24 at 2:00pm.

Vital is your yearly invitation to contemplate the moments in which we most truly come alive; moments that take our breath away, quicken our pulse, offer space for a luxurious inhale and remind us of the goodness of all kinds of feelings and sensations innate to our humanity.

This year's performance of Vital will feature two new works created on our CBII company, one piece of repertoire set on both companys, solos choreographed by the CBII dancers and a 20 minute work created on and with the Corps Bara company by dancer and Associate Director Kathryn Hood.

In the works we explore themes of overwhelming beauty, the cyclical nature of endings and renewal, the passing of time and the moments that punctuate it by searing memories into the fabric of our lived experiences.

You can expect a performance of approximately one hour plus intermission in a wheelchair accessible venue. Drinks will be available for purchase in the lobby

prior to the performance and at intermission.

Join us Saturday after the show for a party with food, drinks and dancing to celebrate a shift in leadership!



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February 25th, 2024 Flower Memorials

The flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert E. Sparrow by Bobbie Sparrow

The flowers at the Chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Vivian Scott by Susan Schulli

The Power of Prayer

Forward Day by Day

Prayer books for February/March/April are available at the office

Additional prayer resources can be found on Forward Movement's website: https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/forward_day_by_day.php?d=29&m=4&y=2020

The Parish Prayer Chain

Have a friend who needs someone to pray for them? Our prayer chain does this daily, and welcomes requests for confidential prayer. Contact Lois Lepp, Alicia Hampshire or Rev. Brandon.

Praying with PWRDF

On the second Thursday of each month praying with PWRDF takes place over zoom at 11am (Calgary time). On the fourth Thursday of each month the PWRDF team in Toronto plans an educational webinar in the same time slot. Please contact Kim Umbach at kumbach@pwrdf.org for the zoom link to be included and for further details.

Prayer Shawls - "Tangible Evidence of Prayer" (ref: "The Prayer Shawl Ministry")

Each of our shawls , handmade by the members of this ministry includes the prayers of the shawl maker as it is made, receives a special blessing, then is available to be given to offer peace, and comfort to someone in need. Shawls are always available here. Please contact Cynthia at the office: 403-243-4680, or Barbara Robinson: barbcrobinson@gmail.com if you know of someone for whom a shawl would be helpful.



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