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## **Notices October 8th, 2023 - Harvest Thanksgiving**

Readings for this Sunday: Deuteronomy 8:7-18; 2 Corinthians 9:6-15; Luke 17:11-19  
Next Sunday's Readings: Exodus 32:1-14; Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14

**Sunday Services: 8am and 10.30am**

**Baptism Sunday - October 15th**

**Please note the office will be closed on Monday  
October 9th for Thanksgiving**

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### **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

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## **Youth Choir**

The Christ Church Youth Choir is looking for new members, and will be directed this season by soprano, Julie Harris, who used to sing in the Christ Church choir with Margie, and is now Artistic Director of Early Music Voices and the Collegium Musicum at the University of Calgary, where she is a member of the voice department.

Rehearsals are on 2-3 Saturday mornings/month, from 10:30-noon, preparing the choir to sing on the following Sundays in the morning Eucharist. Unlike most children's choirs, there are no fees or fundraising commitments.

Families interested in enrolling their children should email  
[paul@christchurchcalgary.org](mailto:paul@christchurchcalgary.org)

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### **"Music Notes," from our Music Director, October 3/23**

I am writing to thank you for a warm welcome to life at Christ Church. I have enjoyed meeting parishioners at coffee hour after services and speaking about the music. I appreciate all your encouragement, feedback and questions. Your interest in the music made me think that I

should write "Music Notes" from time to time to present some details of upcoming music, but I shall start by writing a little about the music so far, since the choir started back on September 10th...

In September we explored various musical settings of the beloved Latin Eucharist text, "Ave Verum Corpus" (Hail True Body), in motets by William Byrd (English 1543-1623), Wolfgang Mozart (Austrian 1756-1791) and Edward Elgar (English 1857-1934). We paired Mozart's motet with his "Laudate Dominum" (Praise the Lord), featuring a sublime soprano solo by Hannah Pagenkopf. The Evensong service on September 24th was a celebration of my English choral heritage, with music by William Smith (c.1603-1645), Henry Purcell (1659-1695) and Hubert Parry (1848-1918).

This past weekend we marked Truth and Reconciliation Sunday with hymns honouring indigenous spirituality and our connection to creation. The anthem was a Cree setting of Purcell's "Hear my Prayer" by Canadian Cree composer, Andrew Balfour. I have had the great pleasure to work with Andrew on several occasions, so I know that he was a "60s Scoop Child," taken from his birth family at an early age and placed into the care of a foster family in Winnipeg. Thankfully, his foster parents provided him with a loving home and many wonderful musical opportunities. As a choirboy, he fell in love with the music of the high Anglican choral tradition, but has more recently sought to rediscover and honour his indigenous heritage. Although he does not know his birth-parents, he has travelled to meet the people of his nation and learn about his language, traditional ceremonies and medicines from elders. Music has provided him with opportunities to reconcile his indigenous identity with settler culture, and perhaps this is symbolically evidenced in claiming a place for his native tongue within the music of great European composers in a project called "Nagamo" (Sings, in Cree). Andrew writes:

"... I have reshaped the thoughts behind the texts, by changing Latin [and English] to Ojibway or Cree perspectives. These are not direct translations of sacred texts, rather a more Indigenous perspective of spirituality, but keeping the beauty of the [music] intact."

Looking ahead to Thanksgiving on October 8th, we will enjoy familiar harvest hymns, and pair Vaughan William's "O Taste and See" with a beautiful choral arrangement of "Thankful" by noted American Gospel composer, Rollo Dilworth. Thankful was co-written by celebrated Canadian composer, David Foster, and made famous in a recording by Josh Groban (easily found on YouTube, if you are curious). We hope you will find the text and tone to be appropriate for Thanksgiving.

"There's so much to be thankful for..."

Alleluia!

Paul Grindlay

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In order that we get almost accurate numbers for Margie's lunch, could you please register at the Eventbrite link below

[Margie's Celebration Lunch](#) or scan the QR code below



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## Dementia peer support group

In partnership with Elbow Park Community Association, we are considering creating a peer support group for families of those living with dementia. This would be a regular, informal community gathering on a weekday afternoon at the church, to support one another in the challenges of caring for relatives with dementia.

If this sounds like something you would be interested in, please contact Adam at [adam@christchurchcalgary.org](mailto:adam@christchurchcalgary.org). No plans are in place but we are seeking to gauge the interest for such a group in our community.

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# YOUTH GROUP 2023

IN THEATER ON OCTOBER 13

AGES 11-18  
WELCOMED WARMLY

PARENTS...  
FINE. HEY,  
PO'CORN & SNACKS

EVENING BEGINS  
AT 6:30PM  
(CRUMP ROOM)

NO TICKETS OR  
RESERVATIONS REQ'D

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**Happy Thanksgiving from your Outreach group**

food

# thanksgiving outreach

purpose

fellowship

connection

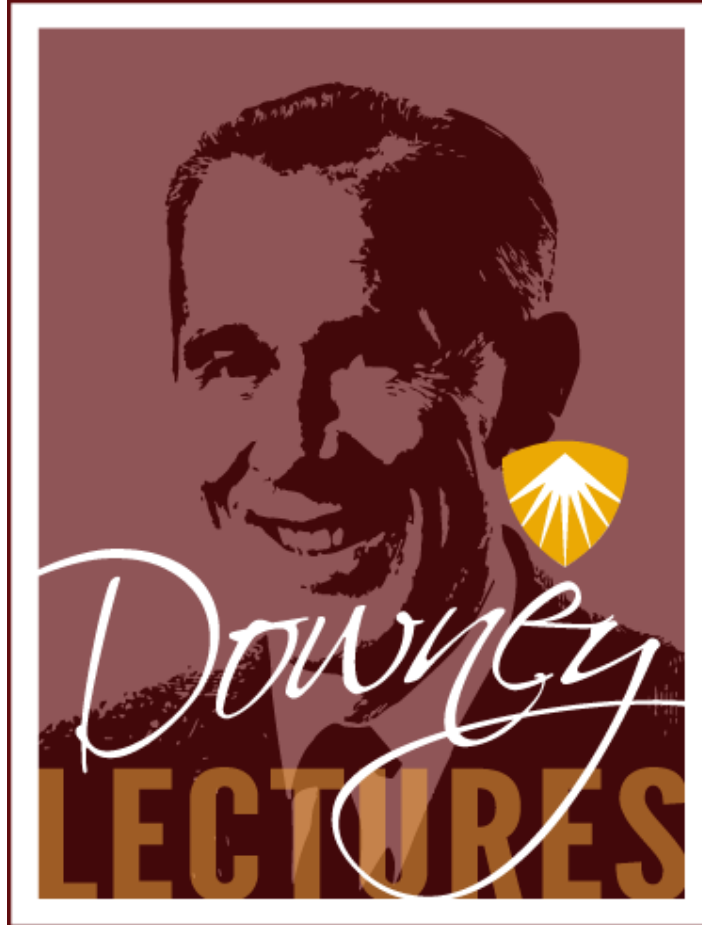
friendship

culture

generosity

kindness





Ambrose University is pleased to host Rev. Dr. Munther Isaac as the keynote speaker for the annual Downey Lectureship.

Rev. Dr. Isaac holds a PhD in Biblical Studies from the Oxford Centre for Mission Studies and serves as the Academic Dean of Bethlehem Bible College in Palestine. He is the director of the Christ at the Checkpoint Conference and is a minister with the Evangelical Lutheran Church, pastoring churches in both Jordan and the Holy Land.

Rev. Dr. Isaac is a thoughtful and passionate communicator and has important insights to share with a Canadian audience as we think about the implications of a theology of the land in the ongoing work of reconciliation with Canada's First Nation, Metis, and Inuit people. Over the two lectures

Rev. Dr. Isaac will discuss:

Lecture 1: The Bible and Land – Towards a Theology of Shared Land, A View from Palestine

Lecture 2: Bible, Empire, and the Holy Land – A Historical and Theological Perspective

We invite you to join us to either in-person or virtually at 7:30 P.M. (MST) on October 10 & 11.

[Downey Lectureship 2023 registration](#)

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**Fire Exit Theatre**

# 'THE THINGS I FORGOT'

by Ingrid De Sanctis



OCTOBER 25-29, 2023  
ENGINEERED AIR THEATRE



## *The Things I Forgot*

Written and performed by Ingrid De Sanctis

In a carousel of characters, stories, and memories, a preacher's daughter revisits her faith, family, and the victims of a scandal which tore her family apart nearly 40 years before. Humorous, heartbreaking and complex, this theatrical experience weaves through a personal tapestry and invites audiences to contemplate their own journeys through the often murky waters of faith and family.

"A beautiful offering." – Jason Hildebrand, Presence Creative Arts

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"Ingrid is a master storyteller whose vulnerability is matched by her wit and love of words." – Val Lieske, Fire Exit Artistic Director

Location:

[Engineered Air Theatre](#)  
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[Tickets](#)

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**Thank you for your support!!!**

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*Flower Memorials*

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The flowers at the Altar are given  
to the glory of God and in  
thanksgiving of our 60th wedding  
anniversary, the gift of Dorothy  
and Warren Bartnes

The flowers at the Chapel are given  
to the glory of God and in loving  
memory of Evelyn and Fred Yates  
from Tim, Sandy, Peter, Jenny  
and all the grandkids

The flowers at the Font are given  
to the glory of God and in loving  
memory of David Rawlinson, the  
gift of Deborah, Carol, Gail and  
Don Rawlinson

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### **The Power of Prayer**

#### **Forward Day by Day**

Prayer books for August/September/October 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](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](mailto: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](mailto:barbcrobinson@gmail.com) if you know of someone for whom a shawl would be helpful.

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Anyone can be added to our email list... they just need to ask!

Know a friend who'd appreciate getting these emails?

Just forward this to them, and...

They can [click here](#) to be added to our mailing list!



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