



Notices February 23rd, 2025 - Epiphany 7

Readings for this Sunday: Genesis 45:3-11,15; 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50; Luke 6:27-38

Next Sunday's Readings: Exodus 34:29-35; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-43a

February 23rd - 4.30pm - Evensong

Sunday Services: 8am and 10.30am

Weekly Events at Christ Church

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

Wednesdays 5pm - Meditation

Thursdays 10.30am - Bible Study

Revive Spiritual Formation Program

Feel like your prayer life is in a rut?

Feel like you give and give and give to the church and you need to receive?

Looking to deepen your relationship with God?

The Revive Spiritual Formation Program might be for you.

The program runs in three six-week modules over the course of one year, the first module (Communicating with God) running on **Tuesday evenings this Lent** (March 11 - April 15), the second module (Engaging in Scripture) in the fall and the third module (Called for Ministry) during Lent 2026.

In our sessions this spring we will explore:

- What prayer is and why it can feel hard.
- When God does and doesn't answer prayer
- Meditation and Contemplation
- Our image of God - who is this God we pray to?

And we will try out a number of prayer practices.

Reach out to Brandon to register or if you have any questions.

Introductory video [here](#)

Dear Parishioners

Charitable donation receipts for calendar 2024 were issued on Tuesday. Check your email inbox and spam to see if yours is there. Some were mailed so will not be received until later this week or next week. If you haven't received one by email or by mail by the middle of next week, please call Cynthia in the office. If you received a mailed tax receipt but would prefer an emailed receipt in the future, please let Cynthia know.

Due to the mail strike in December, Canada Revenue Agency changed its policy for charitable donation receipts. Receipts dated in 2024 as well as receipts for January and February 2025 may be deducted against your 2024 tax return. IN case you wish to take advantage of this change, we remind you that we will be issuing tax receipts for January and February 2025 in March 2025.

Next February 2026, charitable receipts will be issued based on donations from March – December 2025.

Respectfully,
Deborah Ambrose, Envelope Secretary

Feasting with the Saints | February 28, 7 pm

Join us in the Crump Room as we study the life of the contemporary saint, Josephine Bakhita. This fascinating Sudanese saint is one you won't want to miss. North and Central African food will be provided by the wonderful social enterprise EthniCity Catering, who offer cafe and kitchen work experience and training to immigrants as they build their lives in Calgary. Come along and support this important work, while learning about a fascinating and inspiring saint

Christ Church

Pancake Supper



SHROVE TUESDAY

March 4th 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Join us for a family friendly pancake supper
Entertainment provided by the Pancake Ramblers!

Registration is required, scan here or visit
ccpancakesupper.eventbrite.ca



this is a free event, donations will benefit the music ministry at christ church

Outreach

The Outreach Network is hosting a High Noon Tea on Sunday February 23 in the Lower Hall at Christ Church.

Come to meet and join in a “Kinship Circle” with Mizze Walker. Mizze is actively involved in the work of Reconciliation and wishes to be in conversation and relationship with members of Christ Church as an act of reciprocity for the support received via the Outreach Network.

Mizze’s mission is to walk alongside Canadians in the journey of reconciliation. As a student of the University of Calgary majoring in Indigenous studies, Mizze is actively involved in sharing the culture, wisdom and challenges of the indigenous peoples.

An offering of socks or gloves are welcome. These donations will be distributed through one of Mizze's downtown ministries at Knox United Church.

Former Truth and Reconciliation Commissioner

Marie Wilson

in conversation about her book
**North of Nowhere:
Song of a Truth and Reconciliation Commissioner**

Free Event
2-4 p.m.
March 1, 2025
Ross Glen Hall, Mount Royal University

Loren McGinnis, host of
The Calgary Eyeopener on CBC Radio
will interview Marie Wilson.
Book sales and signing to follow.

Featuring:
Indigenous Artisan Market with local
artists and creators starting at 1 p.m.!

Indigenous Drummers and Dancers
Land Acknowledgment by Calgary's
Poet Laureate Shone Thistle

Scan the QR Code or visit
mru.ca/MarieWilson to RSVP



For more information
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RECEPTION VOLUNTEER

We are looking for volunteers to help staff the reception desk

whenever Cynthia is away on vacation. This role involves supporting the front desk by being the first point of contact for visitors and callers and providing general office support.

You would be required to answer phone calls, monitor emails, assist with photocopying and other general tasks as required by clergy.

Office hours are 9am to 4pm Monday to Thursday and 9am to 2pm on Fridays. Typical coverage would be between 2-3 days depending on vacation time taken.

If you would be interested in volunteering, please forward your contact information to the church office at office@christchurchcalgary.org. We will keep your name on file and reach out to confirm availability when required.

We thank you for your interest and look forward to hearing from you



Altar Guild

Once again the Altar Guild will be decorating the church for Easter with lilies, hydrangeas and spring flowers. If you would like to help in beautifying the church, and remember a loved one, glorify God or in thanksgiving please let Cynthia know. The cost is \$25.00, a list of memorials and thanksgivings will be published in the bulletin for Easter Sunday.



Scan to make your offering - Thank you for your support!!!

February 23rd, 2025 Flower Memorials

The flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert E. Sparrow and son Jim, the gift of 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 and 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?

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 Alicia Hampshire, Adam Bedford 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: barberobinson@gmail.com if you know of someone for whom a shawl would be helpful.



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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