



Notices April 6th, 2025 - Lent 5

Readings for this Sunday: Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8
Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 23:1-49

Sunday Services: 8am and 10.30am

Holy Week Services

April 13 - Palm Sunday - Morning Eucharists and Procession of Palms

April 13 - Palm Sunday - 7.30pm - Tenebrae

April 17 - Maundy Thursday - 7.30pm - Holy Eucharist, Foot Washing & Stripping of Altar

April 18 - Good Friday - 9.30am - Family Service
Walk through the story of Easter, from the last Supper to the Empty Tomb in this interactive, narrative, child and family-oriented service.

April 18 - Good Friday - 12 noon - Meditation on the Cross of Christ

April 19 - Holy Saturday - 7.30pm - - Easter Vigil

Just a reminder to bring bells to ring during the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday services

Weekly Events at Christ Church

Wednesdays 11am - Lectio Divina & Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
Wednesdays 5pm - Meditation
Wednesdays 1pm - Seniors Bridge - All are welcome
Thursdays 10.30am - Bible Study

Bread Ministry

The Bread Ministry provides bread for the Eucharist every Sunday at the 10.30am service. It is a beautiful symbol of the

Eucharist prayer. We, being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Presently, we have four members who bake bread. Because of our numbers, the bread is fresh one week and we use a frozen loaf for the following week. Ideally, we would have fresh bread for every Sunday.

The bread recipe is extremely easy and is a wonderful opportunity for parents or grandparents to bake with a child. The whole process takes about 3 hours on a Saturday morning.

Newcomers Lunch | May 4

Have you joined the Christ Church community in the last year? If so, we would like to welcome you to the annual Newcomers Lunch after church on May 4. This is a chance to hear more about Christ Church and to meet others. Registration is required, food/drinks will be provided by our parish council.

Please email Adam for more details:

adam@christchurchcalgary.org

Grief Recovery

A new Grief Recovery course will begin on 22 April led by Betty Craigie. The course will take seven weeks, meeting weekly. Participants should gather at 7.00 p.m. in the Coop Room [second floor] on Tuesday 22 April.

Courses have taken place in Christ Church since 2009, and many have been helped. The course follows a set pattern which leads to recovery.

Grief is the natural reaction to loss. Often this is the loss of a loved one but there are many other losses which can occasion grief - divorce, estrangement, unemployment, retirement, emigration, moving house and death of a pet, to name a few. Recovery means the return of the ability to enjoy happy memories and just to experience moments of joy, which is what we want for you. Registration is not required. Please direct any questions to Betty through the office at 403-243-4680.

Pictorial Directory

Do you ever see people in church and wonder what their names

are? It has been several years since our last pictorial directory and we are planning to have a new directory produced this spring.

A photographer will be at Christ Church from May 6-10, between 2.30pm and 8.30pm with a 15 minute time slot, to take individual and family portraits. Everyone who has a portrait taken will be included in the directory and the photos will be available for purchase as well.

Sign up times will be available after the services beginning next Sunday April 6. We are also looking for several volunteers to remind people of their appointments and assist on photography days. If you are able to help, please call the church office at 403-243-4680.



Seniors Lunch

The next Seniors Lunch will be held on **Wednesday April 23rd** starting with a Eucharist at **11:00 AM**. Please let the office know if you will be attending and if you require a ride.

Easter Egg Donations

We will be having an Easter egg hunt on Sunday April 20th after the 10.30am service. We are asking for chocolate Easter egg donations. Please drop off your donations to the office or to Emily Krause in the Sunday school. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Outreach Update

“Stuff a Basket, Fill a Heart”
40-Day Challenge

Every day during Lent you and your Family can support another Calgary Family leaving domestic violence.

Sign out a Basket in the Loggia!

You will receive a laundry hamper, a list of needed items, and a tax receipt form to include with your receipts.

Return your hamper to the Loggia by Easter Sunday!

If filling a whole basket is too much, you can support with individual items included below.

Highest Need items right now are Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash/Soap and Body Lotion!

Household Ideas (NEW items only)

Twin Bedding* Double Bedding (Gender and Age Neutral)

Shower Curtain/Rug Towels

Dishes, Cutlery, Glassware

Pots and Pans Tupperware

Gift Cards for food and activities (Walmart, Cineplex)

Toiletries Ideas:

Shampoo/Conditioner Body Wash/ Lotion

Feminine Hygiene Products

Toys/Crafts Ideas:*

Scissors, Glue, Tape Construction Paper, Colouring Supplies

Books, Board Games/Puzzles, LEGO's

*Toys and Crafts for teens are often forgotten-please consider teens!

If you are donating Gift cards, please include your name, address for a tax receipt and put them in the Collection plate or take to the Office!

Questions? Contact Solange, solangedunn@gmail.com



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.

Palm Crosses



Please join us on Saturday April 12th at 9.30am in the Crump

Room to make palm crosses. We are one of the few congregations still making palm crosses by hand to give out on Palm Sunday. This is an intergenerational event. Instructions are provided as are refreshments. We make 300 crosses for the two services. We welcome all. It is a wonderful time of fellowship and conversation.



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

April 6th, 2025 Flower Memorials

The flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents Mike and Mary Lohowy by Vic and Barb Lohowy and family

The flowers at the Chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Shellie Ann Shymka by the Shymka family

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?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 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: barbcrobinson@gmail.com if you know of someone for whom a shawl would be helpful.



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