

St. Stephen's Social Media



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St Stephen's Anglican Church Calgary

Be Real, Belong, Believe It.

St. Stephen's is a welcoming and affirming Anglican parish which upholds that God's unconditional and inclusive love extends to all members of our human family equally and without reservation.

Yes. Everyone. We Mean It!

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As an outward expression of the Creator's love and in the spirit of reconciliation, St. Stephen's acknowledges that we gather on traditional Indigenous territory: Treaty 7 Region of Southern Alberta and Métis Nation, Region 3. Through our worship and outreach St. Stephen's moves forward seeking a new, honourable, and respectful relationship with the Original Peoples of this land.



Lent 1—February 21, 2021
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
& Annual Meeting

The Diocese of Calgary and the Archbishop have requested the cancellation of all in-person worship until further notice out of an abundance of caution and care. There will be no in-person worship at St. Stephen's until further notice to respect this direction from the Archbishop and the Diocese.

Welcome to St. Stephen's Anglican Church

Lent 1—February 21, 2020

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Lectionary Readings

This Week: Lent 1

Genesis 9:8-17
Psalm 25:1-9
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:9-15

Next Week: Lent 2

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Psalm 22:22-30
Romans 4:13-25
Mark 8:31-38

The Prayers of the People

The Anglican Cycle Of Prayer

In the worldwide community we pray for the Church of the Province of Central Africa. In the Anglican Church of Canada we pray for the Most Rev. David Edwards, Archbishop and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Fredericton. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada we pray for the dean, council, and congregations of the Grand River and Thames Areas of the Eastern Synod.

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

We pray for the parish of St. George, Stettler, the Rev. K. David Holmes, the Rev. Jack Schulze (Hon.). In our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for the parishes of St. Phillip, Mesopotamia with St. Matthias and St. Joseph on St. Vincent, the Rev. Canon Ashton Francis

St. Stephen's Parish Cycle of Prayer

Jame Ross Galts-Goldsmith & Irene Dypvik-Galts; Jennifer Garrison & Jesse Traquair; Berzelious & Padma Geddam; Raja & Donna Geddam.

For Those in Need: David; Patti; George; Wayne; John; Ron & Vicky

Reader: Craig, Evan & Stuart Mushen

Prayers of the People: Gavin Stuart

The Lord's Prayer (*Congregation stands*)

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Closing Prayer

Faithful God,
you increase our faith and hope and love.
Strengthen and nurture us
in the new life you give us,
we ask it in Christ's name.
Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!
Thanks be to God!

Postlude: 40 Days and 40 Nights (*P. Niedmann*)

The "Lord's Prayer" is so called because the Gospels record Jesus teaching this prayer to his disciples.

Having been fed by Word we are sent out into the world to be witnesses to God's love.

We encourage parishioners to use pre-authorized donation or online donation (or PayPal). For parishioners who use an envelope for their offering, please consider mailing it to the church .

Blue Envelopes this month go to Outreach National. Outreach National is a fund to support progressive movements within the wider Anglican Church.

dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, my Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove Jesus out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; he was with the wild beasts; and the angels attended to him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the Good News of God, saying, "The time is fulfilled! The reign of God is at hand! Repent, and believe this Good News."

Following the Reading:

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Interlude: Be Silent (*Taylor*) *Choir*

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God, saying:

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
*Amen.***

Prayers

The Prayers of the People

Gavin Stuart

*We affirm the core beliefs
of the Christian faith.*

*The Prayers of the People
place the concerns of our
hearts before God: for the
world, for the Church, and
for those in need.*

10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: Prelude in F Minor (*J. S. Bach*)

Welcome and Opening Announcements

Opening Prayer

God of the everlasting covenant,
as you swept away the world's corruption
with the waters of the flood,
so are your people cleansed
through the waters of baptism,
and we are born again.
Throughout these forty days of Lent,
release the wellspring of your grace,
cleanse our hearts,
and give the gift of new life
to your people once again;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. . **Amen.**

Kyrie

(Bob May)

Hymn: By the Holy Spirit Sent (*CP#176 vs 1, 3 & 5*)

Proclamation of the Word

Reader: Craig, Evan, & Stuart Mushen

Reading: Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and with your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you—the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you—as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you:

Never again shall all flesh be swept away by the waters of a flood,
and never again shall a flood destroy the earth."

*We prepare for worship
by taking a few quiet
moments to reflect upon
the state of our life and
that of the world this day.*

*The Opening Prayer
identifies a theme or
themes heard in today's
service.*

*The First Reading and the
Psalm are taken from the
Hebrew scriptures (the
Old Testament).*

God said, "Here is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you, and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set a rainbow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the rainbow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between your God and every living creature that is on the earth."

God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all living things that are on the earth."

Psalm 25:1-9

To you, O God, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you.

**Let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

Let none who look to you be put to shame;
**let the treacherous
be disappointed in their schemes.**

Show me your ways, O God,
and teach me your paths.

**Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.**

Remember, O God, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.

**Remember not the sins of my youth
and my transgressions;
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O God.**

Gracious and upright is our God;
whose way is taught to sinners;

**who guides the humble in doing right;
whose way is taught to the lowly.**

All the paths of our God are love and faithfulness
**to those who keep the covenant
and obey God's testimonies.**

Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ suffered once and for all for the sins of everyone, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God.

He was put to death in the flesh, but was given life in the spirit, in which also he went and preached to the imprisoned spirits, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few—that is, eight persons—were saved through water.

That water prefigured the water of baptism, which now saves you—not as the removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God by a good conscience: it brings salvation through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who entered into heaven and is now at the right hand of God, having dominion over the angels, over authorities and powers.

Following the reading:

Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn: Giver of the Perfect Gift (CP#180 vs 1, 3 & 5)

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:9-15

Prior to the reading:

God be with you.

And also with you.

The Good News of Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a

*We stand for the
Gospel Reading in
special reverence for
the accounts of the life
and teaching of Jesus.*