

JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

3RD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 3, 2024 10:30 am



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Vision

Transforming lives through God's grace.

Mission

Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we grow disciples of Jesus Christ to love our neighbours and effect social change.

Values

Belonging, Community, Compassion, Engagement, and Service

The Rev. Dr. Jean Morris
Interim Moderator

The Rev. Jake Van Pernis (parental leave)
Associate Minister

The Rev. Wendy Adams
Interim Minister

The Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Simmins
Interim Minister

Matt Kallio
Music Coordinator

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Order of Worship

Land Acknowledgement

In a spirit of respect and truth we honour and acknowledge that we worship on the traditional territories of the peoples of Treaty 7, which include the Blackfoot Confederacy (comprised of the Siksika, Piikani, and the Kainai First Nations), the Tsuut'ina First Nation, and the Stoney Nakoda (including Chiniki, Bearspaw and Goodstoney First Nations). The City of Calgary is also home to the Métis Nation of Alberta (Districts 5 and 6).

Prelude Voluntary in d minor

John Stanley (1712-1786)

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Wendy Adams

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Ainsley

Introit Jesus, Remember Me

Jacques Berthier, Communauté Taizé

Call to Worship

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

With earth and sky, let us proclaim God's handiwork.

The law of the LORD revives the soul.

We seek God's wisdom in our worship.

Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O God,

For you are our rock and redeemer, and so we praise you!

Please go to Lent insert responsive reading

Hymn 288 Creating God, your fingers trace

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Prayer of Adoration

Rite of Reconciliation

Prayer of Confession

Wise and welcoming God, You are always seeking us out, yet we confess we are easily distracted from your presence. We envy those who are successful in the world's terms and pursue our own desires. We fail to question the cost of our desires to the earth or those in need.

Forgive us, O God.

Awaken us to your purposes and fire up our commitment to pursue them for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Words of Forgiveness

The Peace

May the Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Anthem A Choral Devotion

Eugene Butler (b. 1935)

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Invitation to the table

The Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Simmins

Hymn 533 Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

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Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

And with you also

Lift up your hearts,

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

... and so we join with the whole creation to lift our hearts in praise saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of creation, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord,

Hosanna in the highest.

We celebrate with great joy, O God, the resurrection of our Lord,
His presence with us in this feast, and
His promise of a new creation, as we affirm the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

... for the sake of our merciful Lord who taught us to pray together:

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Children leave to Church School

Prayer for Understanding

Iain Robertson

Scripture Exodus 20:1-17
Psalm 19 (Responsive, sing refrain I)
John 2:13-22

Sermon Jesus in the Temple

Hymn 356 You, Lord, are both lamb and shepherd *

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory O my God, I cry in the daytime John Reynolds (d. 1770)

Offering Response Hymn 457 Now thank we all our God vs 1 †

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done, in whom God's world rejoices,
who from our mother's arms has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

Prayer for Our Offering Doch

Hymn 626 Lord of all power *

Benediction

Choral Amen 780 Amen

Postlude Postlude on the tune SLANE Paul Fey (b. 1998)

Music Notes:

The anthem sung today by the choir is an appropriate choice for Lent in its quiet mood, gentle rhythms and Lenten text. It is by well-known American sacred music composer Dr. Eugene Butler, recipient of various honors, such as Kansas Composer of the Year and the coveted ASCAP Standard Music Panel Award, every year since 1972, as well as the Outstanding Alumnus Award by the University of Missouri-Kansas City in 1983. Currently Dr. Butler is retired and keeps busy as a choral adjudicator and workshop clinician.

Our prelude today is a voluntary by English classical composer John Stanley. While not a household name, Stanley was nevertheless a well-respected organist and composer in 18th century London. Studying under Maurice Greene, also a well-known musician, he developed into a brilliant organist and violinist. He was good friends with many of the luminaries in London at the time, including George Frederic Handel, who was often seen listening to Stanley playing at London's Temple Church where he held the post of organist.

One of my favorite hymn tunes, SLANE, is being sung today! SLANE is an old Irish folk tune associated with the ballad "With My Love on the Road" in Patrick W. Joyce's *Old Irish Folk Music and Songs* (1909). It became a hymn tune when it was arranged by David Evans and set to the Irish hymn "Be Thou My Vision" published in the *Church Hymnary* (1927). SLANE is named for a hill in County Meath, Ireland, where St. Patrick's lighting of an Easter fire—an act of defiance against the pagan king Loegaire (in the fifth century)—led to his freedom to preach the gospel in Ireland. Today's postlude is also based on this tune, composed by young, up and coming organist Paul Fey.

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Worship Services

- ◇ Sundays at 10:30 am in person.
- ◇ Livestreamed to watch anytime at www.gracechurchcalgary.com/worship/
- ◇ Fellowship in the Family Room immediately following Worship each Sunday.
- ◇ The South Sudanese community meets Sundays at 12:30 pm in the Chapel.
- ◇ Grace Notes Children's Choir 1:00 pm in the Dining Hall.
- ◇ The Anyuak community meets Sundays at 3:00 pm in the Chapel.



Lent

God's Grace in Scripture: resumes Wednesday, March 6, in the Lounge 9:30-10:30 am followed by Fellowship Time. Drop in any week.

In-person Lenten Book Study: Prayer Finding the Heart's True Home

Tuesdays through Lent 7:00-9:00 pm in the Family Room, led by Elizabeth Cressman. Books are available through the office.

March 10	4th Sunday in Lent	The Rev. Sabino Diok
March 17	5th Sunday in Lent	The Rev. Wendy Adams

Holy Week

March 24	Palm Sunday	The Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Simmins
March 29	Good Friday service 10:30 am	The Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Simmins & The Rev. Jake Van Pernis
March 31	Easter Sunday	The Rev. Jake Van Pernis

Pilot Project: **GRACE NOTES CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

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**GRACE NOTES
CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

Children ages 5 to 12 are invited to join a pilot children's choir ministry.

- Grace Notes is FREE, for all levels of singers
- Open to children ages 5 to 12
- Sundays at 1:00pm; February 18-April 7
- Directed by Matt Kallio, Grace Music Coordinator & Trisha McKinney, voice & early childhood education teacher

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Notice of Moderation in a Call

In the name and by appointment of the Presbytery of Calgary-Macleod a meeting will be held by Zoom, on March 5, 2024, at 6:30 pm, for the purpose of moderating in a call to the Rev. Dr. Christopher Joiner. The presbytery will moderate the call from Grace at 6:30 pm. Members and Adherents are welcome to join the Zoom meeting. If you would like to attend the meeting, please contact the Clerk of Session at clerk@gracecalgary.org for the link.

Volunteer Opportunities

www.volunteers@gracecalgary.org

Committee Members

Ministries at Grace are carried out through the Committees of Session, and through Ad Hoc Committees that carry out emergent or project work. They develop annual plans that outline mission work and measure the impact within the congregation and the community. Membership for these Committees is drawn from the congregation at large. The current Committees are Engagement and Service, Financial Management, Governance, Gratitude and Giving, Land and Facilities, Minister Resource and Presbytery Relations, Pastoral Care and Connection, Spiritual Growth. Please consider if you might be called to serve the body of Christ by giving your time and talents on a Committee.

English Language Learner Program Teachers

The ELL program is growing in response to the increasing need for conversational English skills in our community and new teachers are welcomed. Currently classes are held Monday mornings at Grace from 9:30 to 11:30. Training and teaching resources are provided.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who attended, planned and managed the Preaching Grace weekend with the Rev. Dr. Richard Topping on Scripture: Play and Possibility. Special thanks to the team, donors, and all those who supported this event. Stay tuned for the announcement of the 2025 speaker.



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