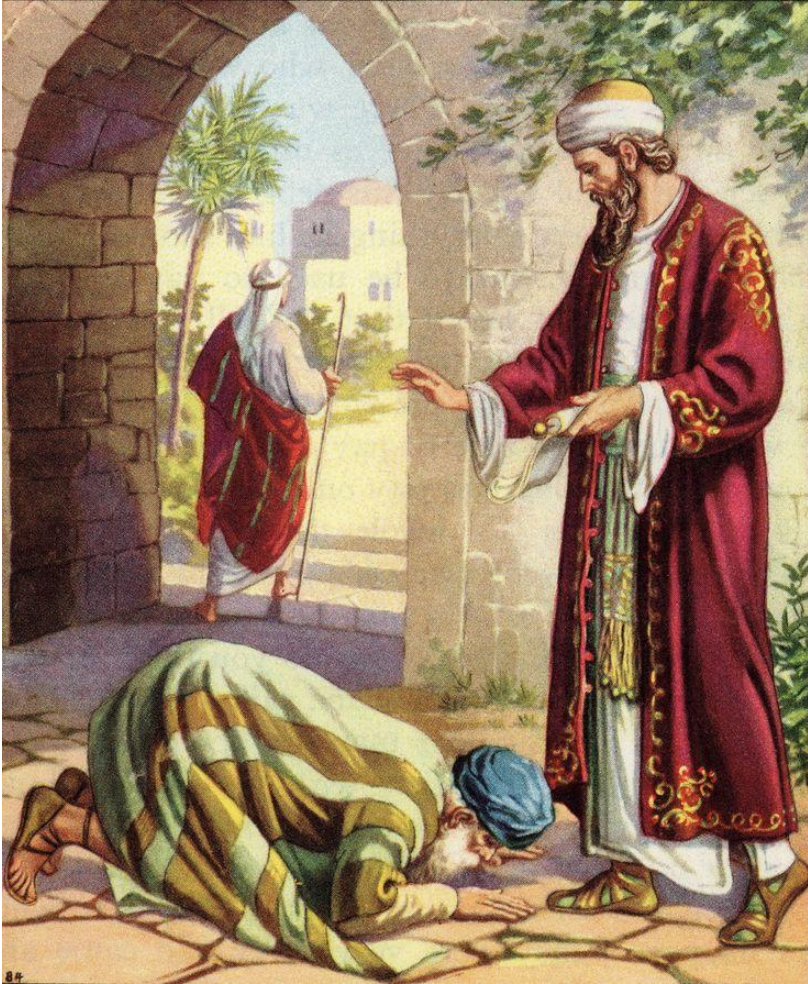


Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



***Sunday September 13, 2026
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist***

“Glorifying God as Agents of His Reconciliation”

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship,
let's pray together the Collect for Purity:

**Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please stand.

Hymn: Praise My Soul

By Henry Francis Lyte | John Goss

Verse 1

Praise my soul the King of heaven
To His feet thy tribute bring
Ransomed healed restored forgiven
Who like thee His praise should sing
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise the everlasting King

Verse 2

Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress
Praise Him still the same forever
Slow to chide and swift to bless
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him Praise Him
Glorious in His faithfulness

Verse 3

Father-like He tends and spares us
Well our feeble frame He knows
In His hands He gently bears us
Rescues us from all our foes

Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him Praise Him
Widely as his mercy flows

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

WELCOME

Rev. Oz: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People: And also with you

GLORY TO GOD (sung)

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the
Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer. For you
alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the
Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

Hymn #55: Bless His Holy Name

By Andraé Crouch

Chorus

Bless the Lord oh my soul
And all that is within me
Bless His holy name (repeat)

Verse

He has done great things
He has done great things
He has done great things
Bless His holy name

CCLI Song # 17566

Please be seated.

Moment of silence to collect our hearts and minds in prayer.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. Oz: Almighty God,
you call your Church to witness
that in Christ we are reconciled to you.
Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may turn to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE READINGS

First Reading – Genesis 50:15-21

Reader: A Reading from Genesis

¹⁵ When Joseph's brothers had seen that their father was dead, they said, "What if Joseph holds a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong which we did to

him!" ¹⁶ So they sent instructions to Joseph, saying, "Your father commanded *us* before he died, saying, ¹⁷ 'This is what you shall say to Joseph: "Please forgive, I beg you, the offense of your brothers and their sin, for they did you wrong.'" And now, please forgive the offense of the servants of the God of your father." And Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ Then his brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid, for am I in God's place? ²⁰ As for you, you meant evil against me, *but* God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to keep many people alive. ²¹ So therefore, do not be afraid; I will provide for you and your little ones." So he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:1-13

(Bless the Lord, O my soul, *

and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, *

and forget not all his benefits.

He forgives all your sins *

and heals all your infirmities;

He redeems your life from the grave *

and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;

He satisfies you with good things, *

and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

The Lord executes righteousness *

and judgement for all who are oppressed.

He made his ways known to Moses *

and his works to the children of Israel.)

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *

slow to anger and of great kindness.

He will not always accuse us, *

nor will he keep his anger for ever.

He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *

nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west, *

so far has he removed our sins from us.

As a father cares for his children, *

so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

Second Reading – Romans 14:1-13

Reader: A reading from Romans

14 Now accept the one who is weak in faith, *but* not to have quarrels over opinions. ² One person has faith that he may eat all things, but the one who is weak

eats *only* vegetables. ³ The one who eats is not to regard with contempt the one who does not eat, and the one who does not eat is not to judge the one who eats, for God has accepted him. ⁴ Who are you to judge the servant of another? To his own master he stands or falls; and he will stand, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

⁵ One *person* values one day over another, another values every day *the same*. Each person must be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶ The one who observes the day, observes it for the Lord, and the one who eats, does so with regard to the Lord, for he gives thanks to God; and the one who does not eat, *it is* for the Lord *that* he does not eat, and he gives thanks to God. ⁷ For not one of us lives for himself, and not one dies for himself; ⁸ for if we live, we live for the Lord, or if we die, we die for the Lord; therefore whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. ⁹ For to this *end* Christ died and lived *again*, that He might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

¹⁰ But *as for* you, why do you judge your brother *or sister*? Or you as well, why do you regard your brother *or sister* with contempt? For we will all appear before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹ For it is written:

“AS I LIVE, SAYS THE LORD, TO ME EVERY KNEE WILL BOW,
AND EVERY TONGUE WILL GIVE PRAISE TO GOD.”

¹² So then each one of us will give an account of himself to God. ¹³ Therefore let's not judge one another anymore, but

rather determine this: not to put an obstacle or a stumbling block in a brother's *or sister's* way.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel.

The Gospel – Matthew 18:21-35

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to St. Matthew

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

²¹ Then Peter came up and said to Him, "Lord, how many times shall my brother sin against me and I *still* forgive him? Up to seven times?" ²² Jesus *said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy-seven times.

²³ "For this reason the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴ And when he had begun to settle *them*, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him. ²⁵ But since he did not have *the means* to repay, his master commanded that he be sold, along with his wife and children and all that he had, and repayment be made. ²⁶ So the slave fell *to the ground* and prostrated himself before him, saying, 'Have patience with me and I will repay you everything.' ²⁷ And the master of that slave felt compassion, and he released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But that slave went out and found one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and he seized him and *began* to choke *him*, saying, 'Pay back what you owe!' ²⁹ So his fellow slave fell *to the ground* and *began* to plead with him, saying, 'Have patience with me and I will repay you.' ³⁰ But he was

unwilling, and went and threw him in prison until he would pay back what was owed. ³¹ So when his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were deeply grieved and came and reported to their master all that had happened. ³² Then summoning him, his master *said to him, ‘You wicked slave, I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ Should you not also have had mercy on your fellow slave, in the same way that I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴ And his master, moved with anger, handed him over to the torturers until he would repay all that was owed him. ³⁵ My heavenly Father will also do the same to you, if each of you does not forgive his brother from your heart.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Please be seated.

THE SERMON – Rev. Oz

After the sermon, silence is kept for a moment of reflection.
Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

Leader: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

People: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please kneel or sit to pray.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Invitation to Confession

Silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Rev. Oz: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.

Rev. Oz: Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

THE PEACE

Rev. Oz: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Please stand.

Offertory

Hymn #: His Mercy Is More

By Matt Boswell | Matt Papa

Verse 1

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Chorus

Praise the Lord His mercy is more

Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Verse 2

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Verse 3

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

CCLI Song # 7065053

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Oz: Holy God,
accept all we offer you this day.
May we who are reconciled at this table
bring wholeness to our broken world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
People: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Oz: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you

Rev. Oz: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Rev. Oz: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Rev. Oz: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator
of heaven and earth; by water and the Holy Spirit
you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ
our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and
wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all
the world. Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the holy people who have served you
in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the
glory of your name.

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Rev. Oz: We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
and said, "Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."
After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,

which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All: we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Rev. Oz: and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.
In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and
daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty Father, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Sung)

Rev. Oz: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People: 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Rev. Oz: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

All: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

THE COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

*If you would like prayer during this time, the
Prayer Ministry is available by the font*

In Anglican churches, everyone who is baptized is welcome to come and receive communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please notify the sides people and they will alert the Communion Servers to come to you. If you would like to come forward for a blessing instead of communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion is an important part of our worship. Please use this time to prayerfully prepare yourself for communion and to reflect on Jesus' gift after you have

received communion. You may find singing the Communion Hymns helpful. Please refrain from talking during this time.

Options at the altar rail: the common cup to your left, bread and wine mingled together to the right.

Hymn #436: Freely Freely

By Carol Owens

Verse 1

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name
I've been born again in Jesus' name
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share His love as He told me to

Chorus

He said freely freely
You have received
Freely freely give
Go in My name
And because you believe
Others will know that I live

Verse 2

All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name
In earth and heav'n in Jesus' name
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share His pow'r as He told me to

CCLI Song # 13209

Hymn #551: Oh To Be Like Thee

By James Koerts | Thomas Obediah Chisholm | William James Kirkpatrick

Verse 1

Oh to be like Thee
Blessed Redeemer
This is my constant
Longing and prayer
Gladly I'll forfeit
All of earth's treasures
Jesus Thy perfect
Likeness to wear

Chorus

Oh to be like Thee
Oh to be like Thee
Blessed Redeemer
Pure as Thou art
Come in Thy Sweetness
Come in Thy Fullness
Stamp Thine own Image
Deep on my heart

Verse 2

Oh to be like Thee
Full of compassion
Loving forgiving
Tender and kind
Helping the helpless
Cheering the fainting
Seeking the wandering
Sinner to find

CCLI Song # 4911094

Hymn #: Make Me a Channel

By Sebastian Temple. Based on the melody of Prayer of St Francis,
dedicated to Mrs Frances Tracy

Verse 1

Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring Your love.
Where there is injury Your pardon, Lord,
And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

CHORUS

Oh Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console,
To be understood, as to understand,
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Verse 2

Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, only light,
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Verse 3

Make me a channel of Your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving of ourselves that we receive,
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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Post Communion Song

Please stand and sing.

Hymn #: Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning
New mercies I see
All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness
Lord unto me

Verse 1

Great is Thy faithfulness
O God my Father
There is no shadow
Of turning with Thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been
Thou forever wilt be

Verse 2

Summer and winter
And springtime and harvest
Sun moon and stars
In their courses above
Join with all nature
In manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness
Mercy and love

Verse 3

Pardon for sin
And a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence
To cheer and to guide
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine
With ten thousand beside
CCLI Song # 18723

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: God of peace,
in this eucharist we have been reconciled
to you and to our neighbours.
May we who have been nourished by holy things
always have the courage to forgive.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
People: Amen

Rev. Oz: Glory to God,
People: whose power, working in us,
 can do infinitely more
 than we can ask or imagine.
 Glory to God from generation to generation,
 in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymn #597: Take My Life

Take my life and let it be consecrated
Lord to Thee

Take my moments and my days
Let them flow in ceaseless praise
Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee
Swift and beautiful for Thee

Take my will and make it Thine
It shall be no longer mine
Take my heart it is Thine own
It shall be Thy royal throne
It shall be Thy royal throne

CCLI Song # 4162843

Leader: God has reconciled us to Himself

People: Let us go forth as ministers of His
reconciliation. Alleluia!

Prayers of the People – September 13, 2026

James wrote, “The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.” (James 5:16b)

OUR CHURCH

The Most Reverend Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of the Northern Lights &

Archbishop of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

The Right Reverend Shane Parker, Primate of The Anglican Church of Canada

The Right Reverend Leopold Friday, Bishop of our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands

The Most Reverend Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

IN OUR DIOCESE

St. Barnabas, Medicine Hat

The Rev. Dr. Oz Lorentzen

The Anglican Church Women (ACW)

IN OUR SISTER DIOCESE OF THE WINDWARD ISLANDS

St. David and St. Paul on Grenada

The Rev. Fr. Edward Mark

IN THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

The Most Rev. John Stephens, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

The Assistant to the Bishop and staff of the British Columbia Synod

MORAVIAN Remembering September 16 – 1741 – at a synod (legislative assembly) in London, the delegates determined that no human being would be the head of the church; by Lot, Jesus Christ was named as “Chief Elder of the Unitas Fratrum.” Today, this day is celebrated by ordained servants renewing their ordination vows in a Cup of Covenant service

OUR KING AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

King Charles III; Prime Minister, Mark Carney; Premier Danielle Smith, Mayor Linnsie Clark; Medicine Hat Council Members; Cypress County Councillor Dan Raynish

OUR CITY CHURCHES

Gospel Light Fellowship, Abe Penner

OUR PROVINCE

For future generations of Canadians to grow up in a nation marked by hope, peace, compassion, and generosity.

The Mustard Seed of Medicine hat

OUR WORLD

Mozambique – Pray for your family in northern Mozambique. A recent attack burned down a church, including the kindergarten inside it. Pray for an end to the violence

OUR PARISH

St. Barnabas Church with The Reverend Oz Lorentzen and his family – Delynne, Soren & Laec

Gord & Sherry N; Chioma N; Ivor & Hilary O

Compassion Canada & Teguh in Indonesia,

Jerusha in Ghana

Barnabas Connections

Parish Council

Altar Guild

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED

Anne and Ric; Leela; John and Grace; Baby Ozzy; Colleen & Phillip; Betty Lou; Shirley; Barb King; Kolby; Scott and their families

If you or anyone you know would like prayer, call the Office at (403) 526-7713



St. Barnabas Anglican Church

Our Mission is Glorifying God as
Agents of His Reconciliation.

"God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself -
and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation."
2 Corinthians 5:19

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We give thanks for the service of these people this morning:

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Prayers of the People	Lynne Windjack
Music	Jill Gloin
Readers	Chioma Nwokealisi
Bread/Wine Presenters	Dottie Platzer & Val Browne
Greeters	Twyla & Billy Yasinchuk
Sound Board	Alan Deans
Lock-up	Gordon Nott
Offering Counters	Brian Klein, Munden Coates & Steve Gloin
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