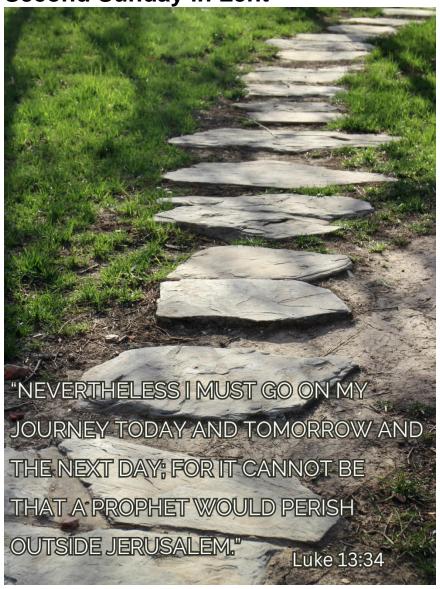
Second Sunday in Lent



10:30 Service of Holy Communion Sunday, March 16th, 2025

"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.

Sentence: If you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. *Psalm 95.7–8*

Please stand.

Jesus Let Me Follow You

Jesus let me follow you through the vale of tears and pain In the desert of temptation share your victory over sin. In your footsteps let me follow you your true child of mercy be, evermore and evermore

Christ, to know your wholeness I drink your cup of Suffering even as you dwelt among us strength through weakness to bring. Oh to love you more truly It is in your grace I live, evermore and evermore

Lord, teach me to choose surrender trusting in your will alone. Give your servant perfect patience by privation healed, made whole.

That I may know you more fully transformed by your boundless love, evermore and evermore

As you did, help us to finish the course you've set us to run Find in you our ev'ry comfort, our salvation, eternal home. In your name give us the victory conquering through faith alone, evermore and evermore.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

WELCOME

Rev. Oz: "Brethren, in the primitive Church it was the custom to observe with great devotion the days of our Lord's Passion and Resurrection, and to prepare for the same by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided also a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for holy Baptism. ... the whole Congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution contained in the Gospel of our Saviour, and of the need which all Christians continually have, of a renewal of their repentance and faith. I therefore invite you, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance, by prayer, fasting, and self-denial, and by reading and meditation upon God's holy Word."

(The Book of Common Prayer, 1962, Canada; p.611)

GREETING

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.

Trisagion (sung 3 times)



Hymns are from "The Celebration Hymnal" in the pews.

The Name of the Lord

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be the name of the Lord most high (REPEAT)

Holy is the name of the Lord Holy is the name of the Lord Holy is the name of the Lord most high (REPEAT)

The name of the Lord is a strong tower The righteous run into it and they are safe The name of the Lord is a strong tower The righteous run into it and they are safe

Glory to the name of the Lord Glory to the name of the Lord Glory to the name of the Lord most high (REPEAT)

Please be stated

Moment of silence to collect our hearts and minds in prayer

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. OzAlmighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace

we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading - Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Reader: A reading from Genesis

15 After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying,

"Do not fear, Abram,

I am a shield to you;

Your reward shall be very great."

² But Abram said, "Lord God, what will You give me, since I am childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ Abram also said, "Since You have given me no son, one who has been born in my house is my heir." ⁴ Then behold, the word of the Lord came to him, saving. "This man will not be your heir: but one who will come from your own body shall be your heir." 5 And He took him outside and said, "Now look toward the heavens and count the stars, if you are able to count them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶ Then he believed in the Lord; and He credited it to him as righteousness. ⁷ And He said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess it." 8 But he said, "Lord God, how may I know that I will possess it?" 9 So He said to him, "Bring Me a threeyear-old heifer, a three-year-old female goat, a three-yearold ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." ¹⁰ Then he brought all these to Him and cut them in two, and laid each half opposite the other; but he did not cut the birds. 11 And birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, and Abram drove them away.

¹² Now when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and behold, terror *and* great darkness fell upon him.

¹⁷ Now it came about, when the sun had set, that it was very dark, and behold, a smoking oven and a flaming torch *appeared* which passed between these pieces. ¹⁸ On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I have given this land, From the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the river Euphrates:

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 27

¹ The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

- ² When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.
- Though an army should encamp against me,
 yet my heart shall not be afraid;
 And though war should rise up against me,
- yet will I put my trust in him.

 ⁵ One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek;
 that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of
 my life;
- ⁶ To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.
- ⁷ For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter:

he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

- ⁸ Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me.
- ⁹ Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness:

I will sing and make music to the Lord.

¹⁰ Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call;

have mercy on me and answer me.

¹¹ You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face."

Your face, Lord, will I seek.

¹² Hide not your face from me,

nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

¹³ You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

¹⁴ Though my father and my mother forsake me, the Lord will sustain me.

¹⁵ Show me your way, O Lord;

lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.

¹⁶ Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.

¹⁷ What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the Lord

in the land of the living!

¹⁸ O tarry and await the Lord's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart;

wait patiently for the Lord.

Second Reading – Philippians 3:17-4:1

Reader: A reading from Philippians

¹⁷ Brothers *and sisters*, join in following my example, and observe those who walk according to the pattern you have in us. ¹⁸ For many walk, of whom I often told you, and now tell you even as I weep, *that they are* the enemies of the cross of Christ, ¹⁹ whose end is destruction, whose god is *their* appetite, and *whose* glory is in their shame, who have their minds on earthly things. ²⁰ For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ; ²¹ who will transform the body of our lowly condition into conformity with His glorious body, by the exertion of the power that He has even to subject all things to Himself.

4 Therefore, my beloved brothers *and sisters*, whom I long *to see*, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

The Gospel – Luke 13:31-35

Glory to you, O Christ. You are the Word of God! (sung 3 times)

Reader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

³¹ At that very time some Pharisees approached, saying to Him, "Go away and leave this place, because Herod wants to kill You." ³² And He said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I am casting out demons and performing healings today and tomorrow, and on the third *day* I reach My goal.' ³³ Nevertheless I must go on My journey today and tomorrow and the next *day*; for it cannot be that a prophet would perish outside Jerusalem. ³⁴ Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the *city* that kills the prophets and stones those who have been sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, just as a hen *gathers* her young under her wings, and you were unwilling! ³⁵ Behold, your house is left to you *desolate*; and I say to you, you will not see Me until you say, 'Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Glory to you, O Christ. You are the Word of God! (sung 3 times)

Please be seated.

THE SERMON – The Reverend Oz Lorentzen

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

Ladies Ensemble Shine On Us

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: The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

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

Offertory Good and Gracious King ~ Ladies Ensemble

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Oz: God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name.

All: 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; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. Therefore with angels and archangels and all 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 thy glory
Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes In the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest, 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: We break this bread,

People: Communion in Christ's body once broken. Rev. Oz: Let your church be the wheat which bears

its fruit in dying.

People: If we have died with him, we shall live with him;

if we hold firm, we shall reign with 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. You may receive communion at either the front or at the rear of the church, when available. 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.

Hymn #657 - Cleanse Me

Search me, O God, and know my heart today; Try me, O Savior, know my thoughts, I pray. See if there be some wicked way in me; Cleanse me from every sin and set me free.

I praise Thee, Lord, for cleansing me from sin; Fulfill Thy Word and make me pure within. Fill me with fire where once I burned with shame; Grant my desire to magnify Thy name.

Lord, take my life, and make it wholly Thine; Fill my poor heart with Thy great love divine. Take all my will, my passion, self and pride; I now surrender, Lord - in me abide.

O Holy Ghost, revival comes from Thee; Send a revival, start the work in me. Thy Word declares Thou wilt supply our need; For blessings now, O Lord, I humbly plead.

Hymn #583 - You Are My All in All

You are my strength
When I am weak,
You are the treasure
That I seek;
You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel,
Lord, to give up, I'd be a fool;
You are my all in all.

Chorus

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name!

Taking my sin,
My cross, my shame,
Rising again I bless Your name;
You are my all in all.
When I fall down, You pick me up;
When I am dry, You fill my cup;
You are my all in all.

Hymn #79 My Jesus I Love Thee

My Jesus, I love Thee; I know Thou art mine. For Thee all the follies of sin I resign. My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree. I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love Thee in life; I will love Thee in death And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath. And say when the death-dew lies cold on my brow, "If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

In mansions of glory and endless delight, I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright. I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow, "If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

Please stand and sing.
Post Communion Song
Jesus Messiah

He became sin who knew no sin That we might become His righteousness He humbled Himself and carried the cross Love so amazing love so amazing

Jesus Messiah Name above all names Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel The Rescue for sinners The Ransom from heaven Jesus Messiah Lord of all

His body the bread His blood the wine Broken and poured out all for love The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn Love so amazing love so amazing

Bridge

All our hope is in You All our hope is in You All the glory to You God The Light of the world

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: Creator of heaven and earth, we thank you for these holy mysteries, which bring us now a share in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our 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.

THE BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymn #309 – I Will Sing of My Redeemer

I will sing of my Redeemer and His wondrous love to me; On the cruel cross He suffered from the curse to set me free.

Refrain

Sing, O sing of my Redeemer, With His blood He purchased me. On the cross He sealed my pardon, Paid the debt and made me free.

I will tell the wondrous story how, my lost estate to save, In His boundless love and mercy He the ransom freely gave. [Refrain]

I will praise my dear Redeemer; His triumphant power I'll tell, How the victory He giveth over sin and death and hell. [Refrain]

I will sing of my Redeemer and His heavenly love to me; He from death to life hath bro't me, Son of God, with Him to be. [Refrain]

DISMISSAL

Leader: God made Christ sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness

of God in Him.

People: Thanks Be to God!

Prayers of the People - March 16th, 2025

James wrote, "The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results." (James 5:16b) This week we pray especially for:

OUR CHURCH

The Most Reverend Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land & Archbishop of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

The Most Reverend Anne Germond, Acting Primate of The Anglican Church of Canada

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

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The Church of the Province of Central Africa

In the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

Parkland Parish: St. Hilda, Arthurvale St. David, Elnora Holy Trinity, Pine Lake

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 Rt. Rev. Bruce Myers, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Quebec

In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

Bishop Jason Zinko, the people and rostered ministers of the Manitoba-North- western Ontario Synod

The Moravian Church in Canada

The people and ministries of Good Shepherd Moravian Church in Calgary

OUR KING AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

King Charles III, Prime Minister Designate Mark Carney Premier Danielle Smith, Mayor Linnsie Clark Medicine Hat Police Chief Alan Murphy

OUR WORLD

Kelly and Peter with Overseas Missionary Fellowship Persecuted Christians everywhere

OUR CITY CHURCHES

Westminster United Lynn McKinnon

OUR PARISH

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

Ed Hopper; Avis Huffman; Ugochinyere Ikechukwu & Ikechukwu Osuagwu; & their families.

Prayer Chain Links

Compassion Canada & Teguh in Indonesia and Jerusha in Ghana

The GriefShare Program

The Saturday Meal Program

The Medicine Hat Ecumenical Campus Ministry

Teguh asks if we can pray for his parents, for strength and wisdom to meet the needs of their family

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED

Maggie; Shannon; Connie; Chad & family; Grace M; Scott: Celeste; John C; Mike; Sherry; Deanna; Betty Ann; Kevin; Wade; Harvey; Arleen; Becca; Chase; Alicia and their families

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

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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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Co-Celebrant Rev. John Willems
Lay Assistant Rev. John Willems
Prayers of the People John Fedoruk

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Reader(s)
Greeters
Dohn Fedoruk
Carol Fedoruk
Bonnie McDonald
Neil & Lynne Windjack
Val Trotter & Liz Crabb

Sound Board Alan Deans
Lock-up Hugh McDonald

Offering Counters Roger & Bev Jaeger; Grace Marshall

Altar Guild Bev P & Bev J

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