

**ST. PAUL’S**

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Connecting people with God and each other

Sunday, January 30, 2022: Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

*The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to*

*the poor and release to the captives (Luke 4:18)*

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ST. PAUL’S COVID-19 RESPONSE

**Welcome!!** During this unique time in history, services look a bit different than normal. We want to care for the whole parish during this time and one way to care for one another is keeping each other safe. As such, we ask you to follow these guidelines while worshiping with us:

* **Get the COVID-19 Vaccine/Booster**: If you have not done so, and plan to attend services at St Paul's, please consider getting vaccinated and/or the booster if you are eligible. This is **not required** to attend, but is strongly recommended.
* **Exposed to COVID-19?** If you have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, or you yourself has tested positive, please **do not attend church** - whether you are vaccinated or not - and please stay home for the appropriate quarantine period following the end of your symptoms.
* **Keep Us Informed.** Please let the Parish Office know if you have tested positive for COVID-19. There is no shame in this and your identity will not be revealed, but it is very important for us to know this information so that we can properly support you and safeguard the parish.
* **Experiencing Cough**, Sore Throat, Fever, or Other Symptom/s? **Do not attend church** - whether you are vaccinated or not - and please stay home for fourteen days following the end of your symptoms.
* **Refrain from Singing.** Please refrain from singing, even when wearing a mask. Only the music team will sing.
* **Wear a Mask.** All parishioners must wear a mask to all services (as per City of Edmonton bylaw 19408). Exceptions to this include children under the age of two and those with a medical condition where wearing a mask is not possible. Masks may be removed when taking communion but must be replaced immediately following. If you do not have a mask, we have cloth masks available in the foyer.
* **Maintain Physical Distance.** At all times, please remain a minimum of six feet (three seat spaces) from all other individuals not part of your family unit. You will find tape on the floor six feet apart in multiple locations to help you maintain this distance. Please also maintain physical distance outside.
* **Listen to the Ushers.** There will be ushers inside and outside to help direct these new procedures. Please heed their direction as they are trying to keep everyone safe and healthy.

**Opening Song: *Sing For You***

Come let us sing for joy

Come let us shout aloud

To the Rock of our salvation

Come let us sing

Come with a thankful heart

Into His presence now

To make a joyful noise to Him

Come let us sing

In His hands He holds creation

Highest mountains deepest seas

And on His hands He bears the scars

Of His great love for you and me

*(Chorus)* For everything You are

For everything You've done

We sing for You, we sing for You

With every breath of life

You're breathing into us

We sing for You, we sing for You

The glory of Your grace

The wonders of Your love

A million songs of praise

Will never be enough

Forever and forever we sing for You

So we come now to give You praise

With how we love and how we obey

We want our lives to be a song

We sing for You

We sing with the saints and angels

Gathered now before Your throne

As we sing holy, holy, holy

You are God and God alone *(To Chorus)*

**The Gathering of the Community**

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant:Almighty God,

**All: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.**

Celebrant: Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in renewal of our lives make known your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**People:** **Amen**.

**Children’s Focus**

**The Reading of Scripture**

**Jeremiah 1:4-10**

*Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD." Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 71:1-6**

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; \*

let me never be ashamed.

2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \*

incline your ear to me and save me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \*

you are my crag and my stronghold.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \*

from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, \*

my confidence since I was young.

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;

 from my mother’s womb you have been my strength; \*

my praise shall be always of you.

Prayer: Holy God, be our strength and our salvation, that we may never be ashamed to praise you for your mighty acts. We ask this through Jesus Christ.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13**

*If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Processional: Give Thanks To The Risen Lord**

Alleluia, Alleluia,

Give thanks to the risen Lord

Alleluia, Alleluia,

Give praise to His name

**The Gospel Reading**

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

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

**People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel Reading: **Luke 4:21-30**

*Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.*

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Worship Through Song**

***Who You Say We Are***

Oh how great is the love

The Father has lavished on us

That we should be called

The children of God

Oh how great was the cost

The Father was willing to pay

So we could be called the children of God

*(Chorus)* And all that we can say

Is thank You thank You

And all that we can say

Is thank You thank You

We are Your sons we are Your daughters

Hallelujah we are who You say we are

So we lift our hands and cry Abba Father

Hallelujah we are who You say we are

Hallelujah we are who You say we are

Oh how great is Your amazing grace

That took us as orphans and slaves

And made us Your heirs

And gave us Your name

There’s nothing more

That we could ever do

You finished it all on the cross

And rose from the grave

And brought us with You *(To Chorus)*

***God I Look To You***

God I look to You

I won’t be overwhelmed

Give me vision to see things like You do

God I look to You

You’re where my help comes from

Give me wisdom

You know just what to do

I will love You Lord my strength

I will love You Lord my shield

I will love You Lord my rock

Forever all my days I will love You God

Hallelujah our God reigns

Hallelujah our God reigns

Hallelujah our God reigns

Forever all my days hallelujah

**Listening Time**

**Sermon: Alison Hurlburt**

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**Affirmation of Faith – The Apostle’s Creed**

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, hear our prayer.” Let us pray for those in the St. Paul’s Cycle of Prayer: Paul Dowie (Dylan, Charlotte); RJ and Janette Chambers, and Yohana Rihana; as well as all of those in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Let us pray for the peace of the world: the Lord grant that we may live together in justice and faith.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Let us pray for this country, and especially for Queen Elizabeth, the Governor General, the Prime Minister, and all in authority: the Lord help them to serve this people according to his holy will.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Let us pray for children and young people: the Lord guide their growth and development.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Let us pray for the sick: the Lord deliver them, keep them in his love.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Let us pray for all who are condemned to exile, prison, harsh treatment, or hard labour, for the sake of justice and truth: the Lord support them and keep them steadfast.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: We remember the prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all who have borne witness to the gospel: the Lord direct our lives in the same spirit of service and sacrifice.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.**

**Confession of Sin**

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God’s forgiveness.

*Silent Confession*

Celebrant:Almighty God,

**All: Creator of the living and the non-living, you marvellously made us in your own image, but we have corrupted ourselves and damaged your likeness, by rejecting your love and hurting our neighbours. We have done wrong and neglected to do right. We are sincerely sorry and heartily repent of our sins. Cleanse us and forgive us by the sacrifice of your Son; remake us and lead us by your Spirit, the Comforter. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: 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.

**People:Amen.**

**The Peace**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**Offertory Song: *I Give Thanks***

You have shown me favor unending

You have given Your life for me

And my heart knows of Your goodness

Your blood has covered me

I will arise and give thanks

To You Lord my God

And Your name I will bless

With my whole heart

You have shown mercy

You have shown mercy to me

I give thanks to You Lord

You have poured out Your healing upon us

You have set the captives free

And we know it’s not what we’ve done

But by Your hand alone

We will arise and give thanks

To You Lord our God

And Your name we will bless

With our whole hearts

You have shown mercy

You have shown mercy to us

We give thanks to You Lord

**Prayer Over the Gifts**

Celebrant: God of steadfast love,

**All: may our offering this day, by the power of your Holy Spirit, renew us for your service. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. In our unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven as we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All:** ***(Said) 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.***

Celebrant: 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;**

Celebrant: 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 for ever.

**All: Amen.**

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**All: *(Said) 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.***

Celebrant: “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!**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**The Communion**

*Please listen carefully to the verbal instructions given. You are welcome to receive communion or come forward for a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are also available. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please fold your arms over your chest.*

**Lamb of God**

*(Sung)* Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Grant us your peace.

**Communion Music: *What Love My God***

What love my God

Would bring You down to earth

What king would take

A low and lonely birth

Yet to this dark

And broken place You came

To sleep beneath

The stars that You had made

What love my God

Would send the Way of Life

To walk the road

Rejected and despised

That You might know

The weakness I possess

And be my rock

Of strength and righteousness

*(Chorus)* O Your love my God like a flood

As heaven opened up pouring out on us

O praise the King who came to the world

In His love like a mighty flood

What love my God

Could hold You to the tree

To bear that overwhelming debt for me

The Son of heaven

Leaves the Father’s side

The Healer bleeds

The Life was made to die *(To Chorus)*

What love my God

So gracious and extreme

Was strong enough

To come and fight for me

To go through hell

And down into the grave

And raise me up to see You face to face

You raise me up to see Him face to face *(To Chorus)*

**Prayer After Communion**

Celebrant: Source of all goodness,

**All: in this eucharist we are nourished by the bread of heaven and invigorated with new wine. May these gifts renew our lives, that we may show your glory to all the world, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: Glory to God,

**All: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**

**Congregational Announcements**

**Closing Song: *Across The Lands***

You’re the Word of God the Father

From before the world began

Every star and every planet

Has been fashioned by Your hand

All creation holds together

By the power of Your voice

Let the skies declare Your glory

Let the land and seas rejoice

*(Chorus)* You’re the author of creation

You’re the Lord of every man

And Your cry of love rings out

Across the lands

Yet You left the gaze of angels

Came to seek and save the lost

And exchanged the joy of heaven

For the anguish of a cross

With a prayer You fed the hungry

With a word You stilled the sea

Yet how silently You suffered

That the guilty may go free *(To Chorus)*

*(Chorus)* You’re the author of creation

You’re the Lord of every man

And Your cry of love rings out

Across the lands

With a shout You rose victorious

Wresting victory from the grave

And ascended into heaven

Leading captives in Your wake

Now You stand before the Father

Interceding for Your own

From each tribe and tongue and nation

You are leading sinners home

*(To Chorus)*

**The Dismissal**Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Community Corner for January 30**

The month of February is **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**, a time set aside for learning and conversations about Black History. There are a number of websites, YouTube videos and podcasts around the topic of Black History – please set aside time in February to learn more and discuss what you learn with friends and family. There are great resources at Edmonton Public Library and the Royal Alberta Museum has great info online, visit <https://royalalbertamuseum.ca/blog/black-history-alberta>.

**Silly Pancake Supper March 1, 2021** – 5:45-7:15 pm Join us from your dinner table for the art of pancake silliness before we hunker down to the serious business of Lent. Indulge in fun and antics from the comfort of your own home! There are two ways to participate: You can plan and prepare your own supper (no charge to join the party), or order a Pancake Silliness Kit from Michelle for $25 no later than FEBRUARY 20TH (includes syrup, whip cream, pancake mix, uncooked bacon and decorations). Looking forward to seeing the silly faces you can make on those pancakes. BONUS: If we are able, we will move this to an in-person event!

Do you know someone who would make a great **delivery person** and has a vehicle? There is an opening with a small local courier company, working 11am – 5pm M/W/Th/F. Please email Michelle for more info, michelle@stpauls-anglican.ca.

**Coats at Street Entrance**

There is a section of the coat rack at the west-facing street entrance that is reserved for storing coats for those in need during these frigid temperatures. If you have coats or supplies to donate, please place them in that section and notify Nathaniel or Michelle Schurek. If you do not wish for your coat to be taken, please hang on the north-facing alley-entrance coat rack.

**Daily Morning Prayer**

Please join us every day at 8am for morning prayer on Zoom, except Thursdays and Sundays. Every Thursday we will meet in person at St. Paul’s in the Chapel. For more information, please contact Myron or the office. The Zoom information is available on the website [HERE](https://www.stpauls-anglican.ca/events/daily-morning-prayer).



**St. Paul’s AGM – February 6**

Next Week at noon, 12:00pm! Please plan to join us on Zoom for our Annual General Meeting following the service on Feb 6. More information is on the [WEBSITE](https://www.stpauls-anglican.ca/events/st-pauls-2022-agm/2022-02-06).

**Save The Date: March 1, 2022**

Keep the evening of March 1 free for our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. More information will be made available as things develop. We are hoping for an

in-person event. Please plan to come have fun and connect with our church family.

**Church Retreat - May 13-15, 2022**

Our annual church retreat is being scheduled for May 13-15, 2022. Please contact Michelle if you are interested in helping out, hosting, or in making it happen! Our retreats are one of the ways that we build and maintain our sense of community and grow together in Christ.

**Volunteering**

If you have been thinking about getting involved in our church life and the services, please contact the office. This is a great way to get to know other parishioners!

**2022 Offering Envelopes**

Envelopes are now available for pick up from the Office. If you would like envelopes or would like to stop getting envelopes, please contact the office.

**St. Paul’s Cycle of Prayer:**

Paul Dowie (Dylan, Charlotte)

RJ and Janette Chambers

Yohana Rihana

**This Week’s Ministry Teams:**

Music/Sound: Andrew’s Team/Chandra

Service Team: Tillburn Team

Prayers of the People: Deanna K.

Chapel Prayer: Wendell and Nora

Kids: Renee J.

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Diocese of Algoma: the Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop (Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario). St. George, Edmonton: Madeleine Urion (s. Quinn Strikwerda), Rector; Sheila Hagan-Bloxham and Lori Calkins, Honorary Assistants. Gahengeri Indigenous community in Buyé Diocese: Jean De Dieu Nzobarinda. Kehewin Cree Nation.

**Next Week’s Ministry Teams: Feb 6**

Music/Sound: Asher’s Team/Yohanna

Service Team: Jackson Team

Prayers of the People: Renee J.

Chapel Prayer: Laurier, Terry, Kjeryn

Kids: Carol R.

**Office Hours:**

Monday-Thursday: 9:30-11:30AM

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