



Stratford Anglican Ministries
Last Sunday after the Epiphany
Sunday February 15, 2026
11:00 am

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The Right Reverend Dr. Todd Townshend, Bishop of Huron
The Venerable Rob Lemon, Rector
The Venerable Tanya Phibbs, Associate Rector
The Reverend Canon Tom Patterson, Deacon
The Reverend Stephanie Donaldson, Deacon
The Reverend Diana Boland, Vicar
The Reverend Tianna Gocan, Curate
Ian Sadler, Organist and Director of Music
Neil F. Young, Contemporary Musician

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude

Prelude in F – C.V. Stanford

Processional Hymn #381

Praise, My Soul

Grace

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Land Acknowledgement

Celebrant We gather here today on the ancestral hunting grounds of the Anishinabek, Haudenosaunee and Attawandaron peoples, in the territory of the Dish with One Spoon Covenant Wampum and the Huron Tract Treaty.

People **From many places and peoples, we come together as one for prayer and worship.**

Celebrant We acknowledge the injustices that Indigenous Peoples have endured since colonization.

People **We commit ourselves to justice and reconciliation.**

Celebrant We honour Indigenous Peoples' wise stewardship of land and water.

People **We will strive to sustain and renew the life of the earth. Amen**

Collect for Purity

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Gloria

#679

The Collect of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Exodus 24: 12-18

Lori Colbeck

Psalm:

99

Cantor: Jane Foster



Second Reading

2 Peter 1: 16-21

Jane Foster

Gradual Hymn #162

Sing of God Made Manifest

The Gospel

Matthew 17: 1-9

Deacon:

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

People:

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the conclusion of the Gospel:

Deacon:

The Gospel of Christ.

People:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon

The Ven. Tanya Phibbs

Anthem:

Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies – K. Bissell

Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

Karin Mussen

Response: **Lord, Hear Our Prayer**

Confession

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The Peace

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Peal of the Bells

Peter Ryde

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn #347

The God of Abraham Praise

Prayer over the Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer #1

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Sanctus and Benedictus

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The Lord's Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread #1

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Agnus Dei

#685

The Communion

All Christians of any age are welcome to receive communion with this community of God's people. Gluten-free wafers are available. You are invited to drink from the common cup. If you are uncomfortable drinking from the cup, you may pass by the chalice bearer or stop and touch the cup or bow your head briefly. If you are not receiving communion but wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you.

Communion Hymn #65

Here, Lord, We Take the Broken Bread

Prayer After Communion

Doxology

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #372

Praise to the Holiest in the Height

Dismissal

Postlude

Fantasia in G – C.H.H. Parry

Please join us today after the 11:00 a.m. service where we will gather together to vote and discern the new name for our parish. The voting will be done live – or by joining the Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89257815137?pwd=JQJx2qPrI5IIEeW7RTbrE9RSnpZTGX.1>

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of:

~ **Alice & Gerald Anderson**~

By Susan Anderson-LeBrun

Join us later on today at 4p.m. for

Jazz Vespers, Featuring:

“The Home Cookin’ Dixieland Band”

NOTICES FOR FEBRUARY 15th

Pancake Tuesday February 17th

Please join us for the Anglican Church Pancake Supper on Tuesday February 17th from 5-7 p.m. Enjoy a hot coffee, tea or juice with pancakes, sausage and dessert. Gluten free pancakes and sugar free syrup available upon request.

Ash Wednesday Services:

Please join us on Wednesday, February 18th as we come together to begin the season of Lent as we remember our humanity. There will be two services - a 10 am Choral Eucharist and a 7pm Contemporary Eucharist - where we will remember that we are but dust, and to dust we shall return.

St. Stephen's Deconsecration Thursday February 26th

The date of the deconsecration for St. Stephen's will be Thursday February 26, 2026 at 7:00 pm. Please join us as we grieve, remember and celebrate the good ministry that happened there.

Vestry Sunday - February 22nd at 10am

Next week, we will be having only one later service at 10am, and following that service we will be having our annual vestry meeting. Vestry is always important, but especially this particular year as we mark our first vestry as an amalgamated parish. We are also asking for people to bring soup for us to enjoy for lunch before our meeting begins. If you are able to bring something to share, please contact Warden Nancy at nancy.mccallum2020@outlook.com or use the sign up sheet in the narthex.

Lenten Series:

For the five weeks in Lent, we will be offering the *Difference Course*, developed by the Church of England to cross divides, navigate disagreement and pursue a just and flourishing world. We will first gather for dinner and fellowship followed by the course. Join us at 5:30pm on Wednesday nights in Lent (February 25th, March 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th) to learn how we can make a difference!

Food Bank Wish List

We have a lot of empty space on the canned fruit shelf. Please help us fill it with peaches, pears, pineapple pieces and mandarins.

Youth & Young Adult Bowling Night – Sunday March 1st

Youth and Young Adults Bowling Night: Join us on March 1st at 5pm for a fun evening of fellowship and community building at Mike's Lanes. Feel free to bring a spare... It'll be a strikingly good time!

Vacancies for Voices

If you would like to sing in our Church Choir which sings at the 11am service and Evensongs, now is the time to come forward. We are a friendly and welcoming group; no audition is required. Weekly rehearsals; Thursdays evenings, 6:30 - 8.00. Please contact our new organist, Ian Sadler @ sadlermusic57@gmail.com or speak to him on any Sunday morning.

COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR-

Stratford Anglicans Team...

The walk is Saturday February 28th. Team fundraising goal is \$5,000, but we know we can do better. Donations go to Shelterlink and the Connection Centre. any donation is most welcome- if you wish you can donate online OR give any walker cash and they can enter your donation online- IF donating with cash or cheque- the walker will require your address and an e mail- so a receipt for income tax can be sent out.

We have 13 walkers...probably 15 ..with the Lemon clan walking as one entry. We are in 5th place so far for the Stratford group. As of Feb. 11th, we have raised \$5,100 with a new goal of \$6,500...we can do it! Don't forget to support any of the walkers. If you wish to join the team, you can contact Wade Phibbs OR sign up online <https://cnoy.org/home>. Thanks, and help us to reach our goal and beyond!! Team Captain, Wade.

Upcoming Readings – Sunday February 22nd

Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7

Matthew 4: 1-11

Psalms 32

Chancel Team #3

Romans 5: 12-19

Matthew 4: 1-11

Accompanying Wayne to Church

Wayne Schmidt is a man of strong faith, and he loves coming to church here. It's important to him, and this is a happy and welcoming place for him. For 25 years, a roster of parishioners has been picking Wayne up on Sunday morning, sitting with him at the 10:30 service, and taking him home after church. Some of the people who have been accompanying him in recent years are no longer available. Please prayerfully consider whether you would be willing and able to accompany Wayne to church, typically once a month. If you'd like to learn about it, speak with Tom Patterson, Lori Colbeck or Pam Ayres.

Wednesday Morning Eucharist

Join us for our mid-week Book of Common Prayer Eucharist services. If you miss the old BCP service, and prefer a quieter form of worship, this is the service for you! Everyone is welcome to join us Wednesdays at 10 am in the Chapel. Please use the ramp door.

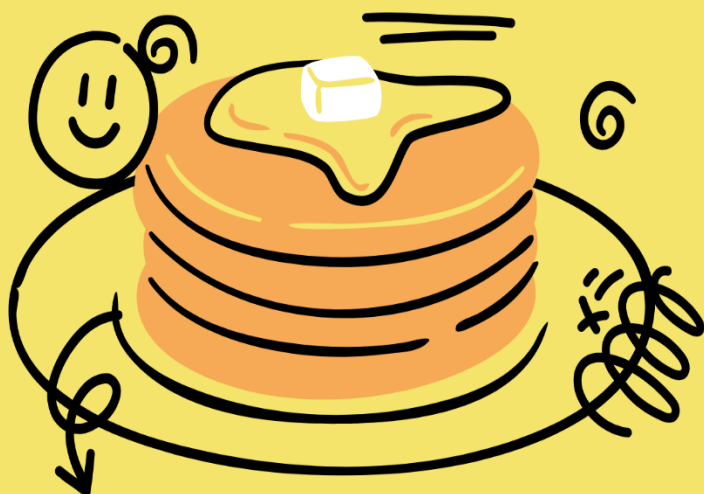
Pastoral Visits

If you would like a pastoral visit (either in person or by phone), please contact The Ven. Rob Lemon at: 519-271-3572 (ext,102), home phone 519-305-2338 or roblemon@stjamesstratford.ca. Alternatively, please contact Mother Tianna at 519-271-3572 (ext 104), 226-791-0150 or tiannagocan@stjamesstratford.ca, or Archdeacon Tanya at 226-927-3632 or tanyaphibbs@diohuron.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb. 15 - *Jazz Vespers at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Feb. 17 - *St. James Community Foodbank – 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Upper Hall
 - *Pancake Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. in the Lower Hall
- Feb. 18 - *Ash Wednesday Choral Eucharist Service at 10:00 a.m.
 - *Chimes Concert at 12:00 p.m.
 - *Christian Meditation at 4:30 p.m. in the Nave
 - *Ash Wednesday Contemporary Eucharist Service at 7:00 p.m.
 - *English Conversation Café at 6:30 p.m. at the YMCA
- Feb. 19 - *Celtic Worship Service on ZOOM at 10:00 a.m.
 - *Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Feb. 20 - *Treasure Hunt Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. in the Club Room
 - *The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation at 12 p.m.
- Feb. 21 - *Christian Meditation at 10:30 a.m. in the Nave
- Feb. 22 - *Holy Eucharist Service at 10:00 a.m.
 - *Vestry Meeting following the 10:00 a.m. Service
 - *Choral Evensong at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

JOIN US FOR THE ANGLICAN
CHURCH
PANCAKE SUPPER



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 5-7 PM
41 MORNINGTON ST, STRATFORD
(FORMERLY ST JAMES CHURCH)

ENJOY A HOT COFFEE, TEA OR JUICE WITH PANCAKES,
SAUSAGE AND DESSERT.
GLUTEN FREE PANCAKES AND SUGAR FREE SYRUP
AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

PAY WHAT YOU CAN!
PROFITS GOING TO THE WARMING CENTRE.





Ash Wednesday

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

FEBRUARY 18TH

10AM CHORAL EUCHARIST
7PM CONTEMPORARY EUCHARIST

STRATFORD ANGLICAN CHURCH
41 MORNINGTON ST, STRATFORD

reflect & renew

LET'S PREPARE TOGETHER AS
WE JOURNEY TO THE FOOT OF
THE CROSS

difference.

Discover the power of faith in a conflicted and divided world.

In a messy world full of division, *Difference* is a five-session course exploring how to cross divides, navigate disagreement and pursue a just and flourishing world.

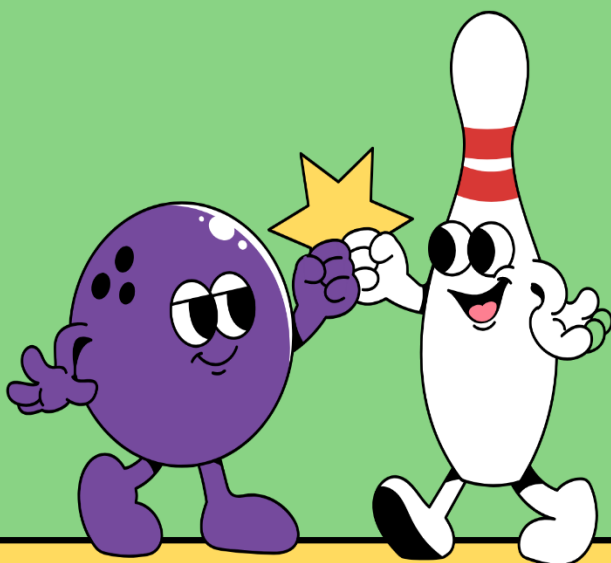
Drawing deeply on Jesus' encounters in the Gospels, and the wisdom of expert peacemakers, *Difference* equips you to build three habits that can transform everyday relationships: **Be Curious**, **Be Present** and **Reimagine**.



Join the *Difference* course

Dinner and the *Difference* Course
Wednesday Nights in Lent
February 25th, March 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th
beginning at 5:30pm in the Lower Hall

Stratford Anglican Church
41 Mornington St. Stratford



**YOUTH AND
YOUNG ADULT
BOWLING NIGHT**

**Sunday,
March 1st
5-7pm**

**MIKE'S
BOWLING
LANES**