



The Anglican Parish of Saint Barnabas

March 1, 2026
Second Sunday of Lent

*It is the mission of St. Barnabas Anglican Church to use
the gifts that God has given us in Christian service to others.*

*In the spirit of respect and truth, we honour the peoples of the Treaty 7
Territory and the Metis Nation of Alberta as we share this land.*

Welcome to St. Barnabas Anglican Church.

8:30 AM: Holy Communion

The Book of Common Prayer – Page 67

Collect – Page 143

Celebrant: The Rev. Kersi Bird ~ Lay Assistant: Arlene Parsons

10:15 AM: Holy Eucharist

Liturgy from Church of England Contemporary Eucharist

Hymns from *Common Praise*

Processional Hymn 170 “The Glory of These Forty Days” (Erhalt Uns, Herr)

Children’s Prayer

Grace, mercy, and peace from God our Father the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Loving God, we have come to worship you.

**Help us to pray to you in faith, to sing your praise with gratitude, and listen
to your word with eagerness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: ‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. **Amen**

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.

We confess to you our selfishness and lack of love: fill us with your Spirit. Lord, have mercy.

We confess to you our fear and failure in sharing our faith: fill us with your Spirit. Christ, have mercy.

We confess to you our stubbornness and lack of trust: fill us with your Spirit. Lord, have mercy.

May God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son to be our Saviour forgive us our sins, and make us holy to serve him in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect of the Day: Almighty 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. **Amen.**

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4A

Jennifer Parsons

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Psalms 121

Angela Wards

Refrain: The Lord himself watches over you.

I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. **Refrain**

He will not let your foot be moved and he who watches over you will not fall asleep. Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep; **Refrain**

The Lord himself watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand, So that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. **Refrain**

The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; it is he who shall keep you safe. The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for evermore. **Refrain**

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness."

Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void.

For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")-in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Gradual Hymn 543 "Unto the Hills around Do I Lift Up"

(Sandon)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John 3:1-17

The Rev. Marcus Herrel

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God."

Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above."

Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?"

Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?"

Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what

we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, what whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

The Kersi Bird

Let us confess our faith, as we say:

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

The Intercession

Angela Wards

When the intercessor says, "Lord have mercy", please respond "Hear our prayer."

We pray for our Diocese: St. Barnabas, Three Hills: The Rev. Dr. James Enns, The Rev. David Smith, The Rev. Dr. Megan Roberts; St. John the Divine, Acme: The Rev. Dcn. David Bull.

We pray for members of our parish family: Michael and Abra Morrell; John Myles; Joyce Oldale.

We pray for those in need of God's healing gifts: David, Sue, Stephen, Barry, Wendy, Gwyneth, Douglas.

We pray for Alpha: **Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of Alpha. Open our eyes to the friends, neighbours, and colleagues who are already drawing toward you, and give us the courage to extend a personal invitation on your behalf. Amen**

Holy God, in Jesus Christ, you reveal yourself to the world, even when we are blind to your grace. Open our eyes to see your transforming love in our midst, so that we may see your world anew; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. **Amen**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Monetary offerings for the ministry of the parish can be placed on the plate located by the entry doors to the sanctuary. To add to the offering during the offertory hymn as the sidesperson brings it to the altar to be blessed, please catch the attention of the sidesperson as the plate is brought forward. Alternatively, you may e-transfer your offering to office@stbarnbas.ca.

Offertory Hymn 524 “O Christ, the Great Foundation” **(Aurelia)**

Prayer over the Gifts: 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. **Amen**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God. We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who for love of our fallen race humbled himself, was born of the Virgin Mary by the power of your Spirit, and lived as one of us. In this mystery of the Word made flesh you have caused his light to shine in our hearts, to give knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

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.

On the night he gave up himself for us, he took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. Therefore, we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross, we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb, we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high and we long for his coming in glory.

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms. And now with all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever. **Amen.**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving. **Amen**

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Communion. Please proceed to the base of the chancel steps as directed by a sidesperson; if you are unable to do so, remain seated in your pew and a priest will bring communion to you. After consuming the wafer, you will be offered wine in two kinds – the common cup or a small glass. Alternatively, you may touch the base of the chalice or receive a blessing.

Communion Hymn 412 "O God, Beyond All Grace and Form" (Melita)
Communion Hymn 521 "Dear Shepherd of Your People, Hear" (Stockton)
Communion Hymn 619 "Fairest Lord Jesus" (Crusaders' Hymn)

Prayer after Communion: 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. **Amen**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 431 “Take Up Your Cross, The Saviour Said” (Breslau)

Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

†††

We pray for Christ’s Holy Catholic Church: ACC: The bishop, clergy, and people of the Diocese of Western Newfoundland. ELCIC: The dean, council, and congregations of the Georgian Bay and Huronia Areas of the Eastern Synod. MOR: The people and ministries of New Dawn Moravian Church in Toronto.

We pray for our Companion Diocese of the Windward Isles: St. Matthew, Biabou with St. Sylvan, Stubbs and St. Mark, Greggs, on St. Vincent: The Ven. Junior Ballantyne.

CCLI Licence #11392823. Readings for March 8: Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

Livestream link for the 15 AM service:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wmjKkPpeznk>

Sunday school will be held on March 15 and March 29.

Our Alpha sessions have started, but there is still an opportunity for those who are curious about faith to join us for supper, a video, and lively discussion. To register or for more information, email Rev. Marcus at deacon@stbarnabas.ca. *Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of Alpha, and we pray for the Holy Spirit to accompany both the Alpha team and participants and to direct us as we journey together. Amen*

The Lent book for 2026 is “A Different Kind of Fast: Feeding our True Hungers in Lent” by Christine Valters Paintner. You may read independently or join a discussion group that will meet over Zoom on March 2 and March 16 at 7:00 PM. The Zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7825637683>

The Anglican Parish of St. Barnabas
1407 - 7 Avenue NW
Calgary, AB
T2N 0Z3
Tel. 403-283-3035

Email: office@stbarnabas.ca
Website: www.stbarnabas.ca
E-transfer: office@stbarnabas.ca

Celebrant: The Rev. Kersi Bird; Gospeller: The Rev. Marcus Herrel; Organist:
Margaret Kosa; St. Barnabas Choir; Crucifer: Kingsley Ibe; Lay Assistant: Angela
Wards; Readers: Jennifer Parsons, David James; Sidesperson: Butler team; Coffee
Hosts: Margaret Fisher, John Proctor; Altar Guild: Marilyn Croot, Carolyn
McLennan, Maria Batti; Rector's Warden: Les Parsons; Assistant Rector's Warden:
Susan Marasco; People's Warden: Denver Barg; Assistant People's Warden: Angie
Martinac