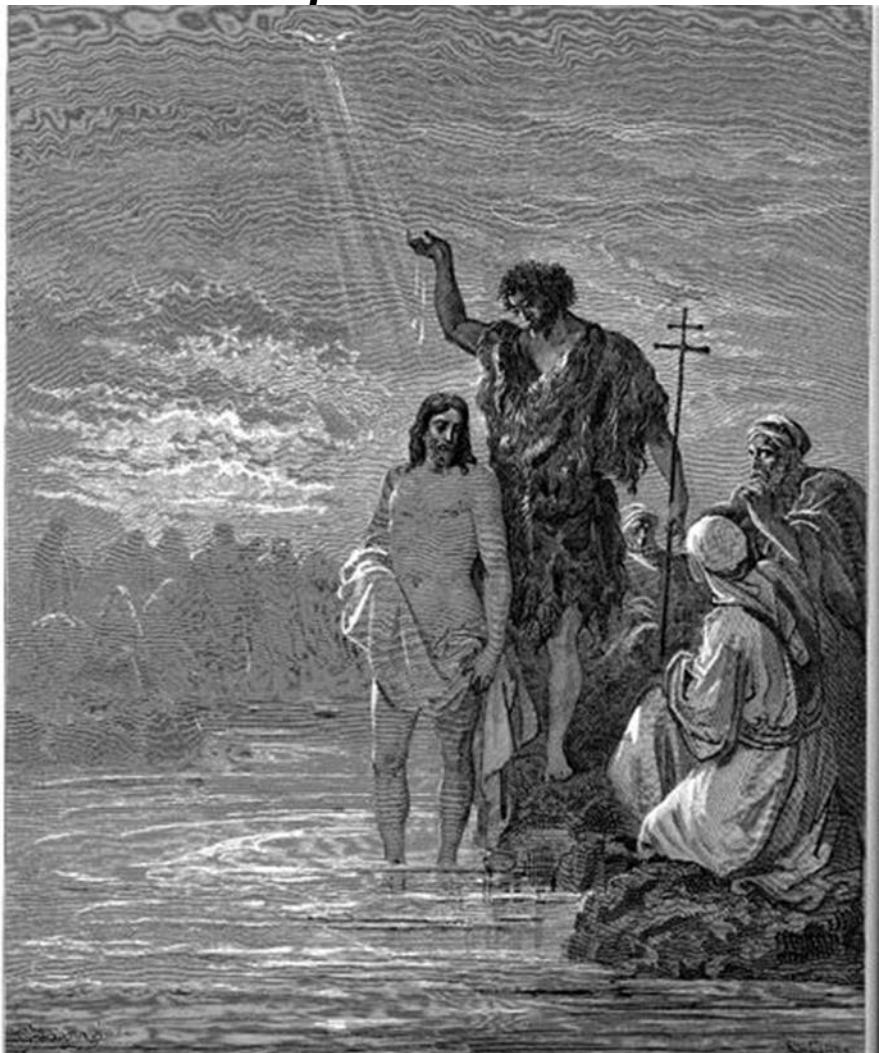


The Baptism of the Lord



“The Baptism of Jesus” by Gustave Dore

**10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist
Sunday, January 11, 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: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. *Colossians 3:15,16*

Hymn # 52 Blessed be the Name

O for a thousand tongues to sing
Blessed be the name of the Lord!
The glories of my God and King
Blessed be the name of the Lord!

Blessed be the name, Blessed be the name
Blessed be the name of the Lord!
Blessed be the name, Blessed be the name
Blessed be the name of the Lord!

Jesus, the name that calms my fears,
Blessed be the name of the Lord!
Tis music in the sinners ears
Blessed be the name of the Lord!

He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin
Blessed be the name of the Lord!
His blood can make the foulest clean
Blessed be the name of the Lord!

I never shall forget that day

Blessed be the name of the Lord!
When Jesus washed my sins away
Blessed be the name of the Lord!

WELCOME

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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.

Please stand.

GLORY TO GOD

**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 10,000 Reasons

Chorus

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

Verse 1

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Verse 2

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Verse 3

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Please be seated.

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. Oz: Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit,
keep your children, born of water and the Spirit,
faithful to their calling;
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

First Reading – Isaiah 42:1-9

Reader: A Reading from the book of Isaiah

“Behold, My Servant, whom I uphold;
My chosen one *in whom* My soul delights.

I have put My Spirit upon Him;
He will bring forth justice to the nations.

² He will not cry out nor raise *His voice*,
Nor make His voice heard in the street.

³ A bent reed He will not break *off*
And a dimly burning wick He will not extinguish;
He will faithfully bring forth justice.

⁴ He will not be disheartened or crushed
Until He has established justice on the earth;
And the coastlands will wait expectantly for His law.”

⁵ This is what God the Lord says,
Who created the heavens and stretched them out,
Who spread out the earth and its offspring,
Who gives breath to the people on it
And spirit to those who walk in it:

⁶ “I am the Lord, I have called You in righteousness,
I will also hold You by the hand and watch over You,
And I will appoint You as a covenant to the people,
As a light to the nations,

⁷ To open blind eyes,
To bring out prisoners from the dungeon
And those who dwell in darkness from the prison.

⁸ I am the Lord, that is My name;
I will not give My glory to another,
Nor My praise to idols.

⁹ Behold, the former things have come to pass,
Now I declare new things;
Before they sprout I proclaim *them* to you.”

Reader: The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,

ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;

the God of glory thunders;

the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;

the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;

the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,

and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;

the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe

and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the Lord

all are crying, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;

the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.

The Lord shall give strength to his people;

the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Second Reading – Acts 10:34-43

Reader A Reading from the Book of Acts

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism ³⁵ but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. ³⁶ You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. ³⁷ You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— ³⁸ how God

anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

³⁹ “We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, ⁴⁰ but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. ⁴¹ He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

The Gospel – Matthew 3:13-17

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him.

John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness." Then he consented. And

when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to you Lord Jesus Christ

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Please be seated.

THE SERMON – The Reverend Oz Lorentzen

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.

Offertory

Hymn Holy Spirit

By Stuart Townend, Keith Getty

Verse 1

Holy Spirit living Breath of God
Breathe new life into my willing soul
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause Your word to come alive in me
Give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for Your purity
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Verse 2

Holy Spirit come abide within
May Your joy be seen in all I do

Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
In each thought and deed and attitude
Kindness to the greatest and the least
Gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my strivings into works of grace
Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Verse 3

Holy Spirit from creation's birth
Giving life to all that God has made
Show Your power once again on earth
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways
Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Oz: God of life and freedom,
we celebrate the revelation of Jesus
as the Christ who makes all creation new.
Accept all we offer you this day
and make us new in him,
who is Lord for ever and ever.

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,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. 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 the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

**People: God here among us, light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

THE COMMUNION

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

People: Thanks be to God.

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.

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

Hymn # Before the Throne of God Above

Verse 1

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

Chorus

Hallelujah
My life is found in Jesus Christ
Hallelujah
For I am His and He is mine

Verse 2

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there

Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Saviour died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Verse 3

Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Saviour and my God
With Christ my Saviour and my God

Verse 4

I bow before the cross of Christ
And marvel at this love divine
God's perfect Son was sacrificed
To make me righteous in God's eyes
This river's depths I cannot know
But I can glory in its flood
The Lord Most High has bowed down low
And poured on me His glorious love
And poured on me His glorious love

Hymn # 308 There is a Redeemer

Verse 1

There is a Redeemer Jesus God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God Messiah Holy One

Chorus

Thank You O my Father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done

Verse 2

Jesus my Redeemer name above all names
Precious Lamb of God Messiah
O for sinners slain

Verse 3

When I stand in glory I will see His face
There I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place

Hymn I Speak Jesus

Verse 1

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over every heart and every mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence
I speak Jesus

Verse 2

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
'Til every dark addiction starts to break
Declaring there is hope and there is freedom
I speak Jesus

Chorus

('Cause) Your Name is power
Your Name is healing
Your Name is life
Break every stronghold
Shine through the shadows
Burn like a fire

Verse 3

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over fear and all anxiety
To every soul held captive by depression
I speak Jesus

Verse 4

Shout Jesus from the mountains
Jesus in the streets
Jesus in the darkness over every enemy

Jesus for my fam'ly
I speak the holy Name Jesus

Please stand and sing.

Post Communion Song

Hymn Jesus Messiah

Verse 1

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

Chorus

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

Verse 2

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

Ending

Jesus Messiah
Lord of all
The Lord of all
The Lord of all

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: Gracious God, lover of all,
by this sacrament
you make us one family in Christ your Son,
one in the sharing of his body and blood,
one in the communion of his Spirit.
Help us to grow in love for one another
and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ.
We ask this in his name..

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

Rev. Oz: Christ, who by his incarnation
gathered into one
things earthly and heavenly,
fill you with peace and goodwill
and make you partakers of the divine nature;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Be with you and remain with you

People: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymn # 562 Be Thou my Vision

Verse 1

Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light

Verse 2

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true Word

I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Verse 3

Riches I need not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and Thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure Thou art

Verse 4

High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys
Bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of all

Ending

Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart

Dismissal

Leader: The Father of all,
has given us His Son to be the Saviour of the world. Go
in peace. Proclaim the Word made flesh.

People: Glory, thanks and praise to God.

Prayers of the People – January 11, 2026

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 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 (elect) of Canterbury

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

In our Diocese

St. Laurence, Calgary

The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

The Rev. Dcn. Lynne Smith

The Rev. Carolyn Herold (Hon.)

The Rev. MJ Leewis-Kirk (Hon.)

In our Sister Diocese of the Windward Islands

Holy Trinity, Georgetown with St. John, Holy Name, St.

Peter, St. Luke and Byera Chapel, on St. Vincent The Ven.

Junior Ballantyne, Rector

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Interim-Executive Director, Michael Pryse, and staff of Canadian Lutheran World Relief

The Moravian Church

Justin Rabbach, Executive Director, and staff of the Board of World Mission

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St. Paul Lutheran Ken Edel

OUR PROVINCE

CMHA Alberta Division. Community Mental Health Association in Alberta.

New Story is a non-profit organization that helps indigenous women become self-sufficient within the support of a strong Christian community.

OUR WORLD

The country of Somalia and the International Rescue Committee.

OUR PARISH

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

Chanel & Mike Lovig & Laevens; Delle Lovig; Jim & Joanne MacFarlane

Compassion Canada & Teguh in Indonesia, Jerusha in Ghana

The GriefShare Program

Parish Council

The Saturday Meal Program

The Medicine Hat Ecumenical Campus Ministry

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED*

Anne and Ric; Colleen and Philip; Betty Lou; John and Grace; Carol & Family; Kathryn & Family; Laura and their families

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



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"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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Lay Reader

Deb Deans

Prayers of the People

Lynne Windjack

Music

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Reader(s)

Val Browne & Janice Andres

Greeters

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Bread/Wine Presenters

Lynne & Neil Windjack

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