

# Fourth Sunday in Lent



**10:30 Service of Holy Eucharist  
Sunday, March 22**

**“Glorifying God as Agents of His Reconciliation”**

## Announcements

### 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:** I am the light of the world, says the Lord; those who follow me will have the light of life. (John 8:12)

#### **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

### 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)*



Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and might - y



Ho - ly Im-mort-al One, Have mer - cy up-on us.

## **The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want**

William Whittingham et al; Jessie S. Irvine; arr. by David Grant

The Lord's my Shepherd; I'll not want.  
He makes me down to lie  
In pastures green; He leadeth me  
The quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again;  
And me to walk doth make  
Within the paths of righteousness,  
E'en for His own name's sake.

Yea, tho' I walk thro' death's dark vale,  
Yet will I fear no ill;  
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod  
And staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnished  
In presence of my foes;  
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,  
And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life  
Shall surely follow me;  
And in God's house forevermore  
My dwelling place shall be.

Let's pray. *Let's pause for a moment of silence to bring our hearts,  
minds and prayers before God, our heavenly Father.*

### **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**Rev. Oz:** Almighty God,  
through the waters of baptism  
your Son has made us children of light.  
May we ever walk in his light  
and show forth your glory in the world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**People: Amen.**

# THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

## THE READINGS

*The Readings can be found in the Pew Bibles.*

### **First Reading – 1 Samuel 16:1, 4-13**

**Reader:** A reading from 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel

...

*At the end of the reading, ...*

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

### **Psalm 23**

Let's say together:

**The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.**

**He makes me lie down in green pastures;**

**He leads me beside still waters;**

**He restores my soul.**

**He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.**

**Even though I walk through the darkest valley,**

**I fear no evil;**

**For you are with me;**

**Your rod and your staff – they comfort me.**

**You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;**

**You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,**

**And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.**

### **Second Reading – Ephesians 5:6-14**

**Reader:** A reading from Ephesians

...

*At the end of the reading, ...*

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## **The Gospel – John 9:1-17, 24-41**

**Reader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

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

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

...

*At the end of the reading, ...*

**Reader:** The Gospel of Christ.

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

## **THE SERMON – The Reverend Oz Lorentzen**

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

## **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

*Please stand.*

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

**People:** **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, have mercy."

Let us ask the Lord for a day of fulfilment and peace.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

**Leader:** Let us ask the Lord to teach us to love others as he has loved us.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

**Leader:** Let us ask the Lord for peace and justice in the world.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

**Leader:** Let us ask the Lord to strengthen and relive those who are in need.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

**Leader:** Let us ask the Lord to renew the Church through the power of his life-giving Spirit.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

**All: Amen**

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

### **Invitation to Confession**

**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 PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

**Rev. Oz:** God of light,

your Word brings to us a new vision of your glory.

Accept our offering of praise and thanksgiving,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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,

because you bid your faithful people

to cleanse their hearts

and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast;

that reborn through the waters of baptism

and renewed in the eucharistic mystery,

we may be more fervent in prayer

and more generous in the works of love.

Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise

To proclaim the glory of your name.

**People:** 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.**

**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.

*Pray aloud:*

**Blessed Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you I this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.**

### **In Christ Alone**

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Rev. Oz:** Father,  
through your goodness  
we receive your Son in word and sacrament.  
May we always have faith in him,  
Jesus Christ the 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

### Instruments Of Your Peace

Lord make us instruments of Your peace  
Where there is hatred let Your love increase  
Lord make us instruments of Your peace  
Walls of pride and prejudice shall cease  
When we are Your instruments of peace

Where there is hatred we will sow His love  
Where there is injury we will never judge  
Where there is striving we will speak His peace  
To the people crying for release  
We will be His instruments of peace

Where there is blindness we will pray for sight  
Where there is darkness we will shine His light  
Where there is sadness we will bear their grief  
To the millions crying for release  
We will be His instruments of peace

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## DISMISSAL

**Leader:** God has reconciled us to Himself.

**People:** Let us go forth as ministers of His  
reconciliation.

# St. Barnabas Church



**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:

Celebrant

Reverend Oz Lorentzen

Lay Reader

Warren Sandham

Music Leader

Carol Fedoruk

IT Specialist

Delynne Lorentzen

## **Prayers of the People – March 22**

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 Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury

The Most Reverend Linda Nicholls, 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 Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui with The Most Reverend Paul Kwong

### **In the Anglican Diocese of Calgary**

St. Leonard-on-the-Hill, Red Deer, with The Reverend Chris Roth, The Reverend Barb Borle, & The Reverend Ethel English

St. George, Harmattan

### **In our Sister Diocese of the Windward Islands**

Grace Church, Riviere Doree, with St. Paul & Christ-the-Church, on St. Lucia with The Reverend Eleanor Glasgow

### **In the Anglican Church of Canada**

Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson, the people and clergy of the Diocese of Montreal

### **In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada**

The Assistant to the Bishop and the staff of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod

## **OUR QUEEN AND ALL IN AUTHORITY**

Queen Elizabeth, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau,  
Premier Jason Kenney, Mayor Ted Clugston  
Redcliff Mayor Dwight Kilpatrick

## **OUR WORLD**

Kelly and Peter with Overseas Missionary Fellowship

## **OUR CITY CHURCHES**

Westminster United Church with The Reverend Lynn  
McKinnon

## **OUR PARISH**

St. Barnabas Church with The Reverend Oz Lorentzen  
and his family – Delynne, Soren & Laec  
Ernie & Shirley Albrecht; Shonna Anderson; Ben &  
Janice Andreas; Hugh & Dee Armstrong  
and their families

Our Prayer Chain

Compassion Canada & Teguh and Timo in Indonesia

The Saturday Meal Program

The GX Dance Studio

The Medicine Hat Ecumenical Campus Ministry

## **OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED**

- for Nancy, Blair, Atkinson family, Daniel & Fran, Lorna,  
Dre, Brian, Pat, Judy, Bob, Mike and their families.

- for all feeling threatened or vulnerable – physically,  
emotionally or spiritually

- for everyone suffering the effects of illness

We will begin our Prayers anew at the beginning of each  
month. Please let the Office (526-7713) know if you want  
to put someone on the Prayer List.

Faithful God, the shelter of all who hope in you, may those  
who seek your face be set free from fear and distress, and  
come to see your goodness in the land of the living, through  
Jesus Christ, our Light and our Salvation.