

- TODAY'S SERVICE -

Please stand for the sections marked with an asterisk (*)

We Gather

Introit – *Just as I am, without one plea* (Choir)

Welcome, Announcements & Land Acknowledgement

* Lighting the Christ Candle

* Responsive Call to Worship

Into life's challenges and questions
comes the Mystery of God,

and God's truth opens our eyes.

Into our routines and rituals walks the presence of Christ,

and God's love brings healing and hope.

Into our traditions and conclusions

blows the wind of the Spirit,

and God's people are born from above.

We gather in Jesus' name to encounter

God's grace and glory.

Let us worship God with open hearts and minds.

* Call to Worship Hymn: 187 *We have come at Christ's bidding* (all)

Prayer of Adoration

Private and Communal Confession

**God of mystery and mercy, we confess that we prefer
simple certainty to seeking deeper understanding. We
settle for what we know, ignoring our doubts and
questions.**

**Forgive us when our faith falters because what we
think no longer satisfies. Open our eyes to the truth
you hold out to us in Christ, and give us courage to
rethink what we have assumed about you and your
love for the world.**

Amen

Assurance of Pardon and Sharing the Peace

*Hymn of Gratitude: 400 *Spirit of the Living God* (all)

We Listen

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: Numbers 21:1-9
Psalm 121 (all)
John 3:1-17

Youth Message & Sermon – Rev. Bruce Clendening

We Respond

Time of Meditation

Confession of Faith – 6.2.1 & 6.1.1 – *Living Faith*

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Lamb of God, what wonderful love - Malcolm and Choir

* Hymn#79- *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

* Prayer of Dedication

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

We Go Forth

* Sending Hymn: 674 *In the bulb there is a flower* (all)

* Commission and Benediction

* Choral Amen: *Amen* (arrangement by Malcolm Edwards)

Hymn of Blessing: *Go now in peace* (choir)

**Prayers are invited by the Pastoral Care Committee for: Teuny
Howarth, Bernice Poon, Isa Tieken, Joanne Watson, Wendell Siddall,
Anna Munro, Gail Wearmouth, Gerry Machum and Jenn Hauck.**

Welcome to St. Giles Presbyterian Church

STATEMENT OF BELIEF “LIVING FAITH”

6.2.1 We are not always certain that God is with us. At times God calls us to live in this world without experiencing the divine presence, often discerning God's nearness only as we look back. At other times God seems absent in order that our faith may be tested. Through such struggle we mature in faith. God may also chasten and strengthen us through the hard circumstances of life.

6.1.1 Faith is a gift of God constantly renewed in Word and Sacrament and in the shared life of God's people. It is trust in God, involves personal repentance of sin, acceptance of Jesus Christ as Saviour, and commitment to him as Lord. It includes assent to the truth of the Gospel. By faith we receive the very life of God into our lives and joyfully discover that God knows, loves, and pardons us.



SCRIPTURE PASSAGE FOR REFLECTION

**“ I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From where does my help come?
My help comes from the LORD,
the Maker of heaven and earth.”**

- Psalm 121:1-2 (BSB)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St Giles and CKPC Shared Ministry Update

Effective March 1, CKPC Session has approved a request from the Jr/Sr High worship to return to their building. Discussions are also underway for a gathering with the Sessions of both churches, the Presbytery of Calgary-Macleod and the Western Han-Ca Presbytery to discern a conclusion to the formal shared ministry agreement. More details will follow after the formal conversations in February.

Bible Study on 'UNITY': Mondays @ 7 pm, Feb 16 - Mar 30

A warm invitation to all who have not yet attended a study with Rev. Chandra, as we intentionally look at the topic of 'Unity' with select passages from scripture. Join at any time – it is not necessary to attend all evenings. Please invite your friends from other Christian traditions to join, as this study is open to the whole body of Christ and curious learners!

LENT @ ST GILES: Wednesdays @ 11:30 am, Feb 18 – Apr 1

Lent begins with the imposition of ashes on February 18, and proceeds with a time of reflection and prayer in the sanctuary each week. It will culminate in a time of special communion on the final Wednesday of Lent. A warm invitation is extended to all for shared time with Elder Ann Frost and Rev. Chandra during these Wednesday gatherings. All attendees will receive a Lent package titled 'Privileged to Pray'.

Leading with Care Workshop: Sunday, March 1 @ 11:15 am

Leading with Care is a policy of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. It states that persons, and in particular all children, youth and vulnerable adults who participate in the denomination's programs, ministries, and/or use the denomination's facilities will be cared for with Christian compassion and will be safe. Join us in the park room for this workshop led by Sandra.

Speaker Series: Sunday March 8 @ 11:15 am

In March we welcome Sung Woo Kim, an assessor elder at St. Giles, to share about his downtown ministry that provides food and kindness to those who need it most. Please come to the park room for our monthly series!

Labyrinth Café: Friday March 13th @ 10:30 AM

You are invited to join us at our monthly fellowship café open to all in the community. This month, Trish T. will provide an informative talk on her personal experience of mission in times past in Pakistan and China!

St. Patrick Irish Stew Dinner: Saturday, March 14th @ 6:00 Pm

It is time for our annual celebration!! Tickets will be available starting today for our joyful and beloved event. Purchase them in the Narthex, or by e-transfer to: treasurer@stgiles.ca. And bring your friends!!

Notice of Photography: Photos of services and events will be used to share the wonderful things happening at St. Giles. If you have and questions or concerns, please speak to your session elder or the minister.

WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:00 AM

Monday Unity Study: 7:00 PM

Wednesday Matthew Study: 10:15 AM

March 8th Service Preacher: Rev. Chandra Mannix

March 8th Greeter: Sandra Cameron Evans

We gather at St. Giles in the gracious and loving presence of God, the maker and lover of creation. We are called here to worship and to work; and this is holy ground. We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy, which is also home to the Tsuut'ina and Stoney Nations, and the Calgary Nose Hill Metis District of the Metis Nation of Alberta. We recognize that the practices and spiritualities of all of these people are tied to the land.



**WE ARE GOD'S PEOPLE,
ENABLED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT,
SAVED BY GRACE, AND
NOURISHED BY SCRIPTURE.**



MISSION OF ST GILES

- ✓ *To nurture a vibrant Christian life;*
- ✓ *To seek to grow in our relationship with God;*
- ✓ *To care for the community;*
- ✓ *To dare to follow Christ into the world.*

Notice of Tax Receipts for 2025: For all who donated in 2025, tax receipts are available in the narthex this week. All not collected will be mailed to the current mailing address. Please email the treasurer with all questions (see front for address)

ST. GILES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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March 1st, 2026
2nd Sunday in Lent



May you receive a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know God so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive the hope to which he has called you, the riches of God's glorious Kingdom, and the immeasurable goodness of God.

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