

- TODAY'S SERVICE -

We Gather

Prelude – *Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord*

Welcome & Land Acknowledgement

* Lighting the Christ Candle

* Responsive Call to Worship

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Christ is risen from the dead,
trampling down death by death.

Hallelujah!

This is the Good News – the grave is empty
and Christ is risen.

Hallelujah!

Call to Worship Hymn: 243 *Jesus Christ is risen today* (1, 2, & 4)

Prayer of Adoration

Communal Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips are afraid to name and what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past we cannot change, open us to a future in which we can be changed and give us the grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

Sacrament of Baptism

*Hymn of Baptism: 518 *O God, Eternal Sovereign Lord* (1,4 & 5)

Meaning of Baptism

Presentation of Dax Xander Jacques for Baptism

Renunciation, Affirmation of Faith, and Prayer

The Act of Baptizing with Declaration and Welcome

* Hymn #619 - *Aaronic Blessing*

We Listen

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: Jeremiah 31:1-6
Psalm 118:14-24
Matthew 28:1-10

Youth Message and Sermon – Rev. Chandra Mannix

We Respond

Time of Meditation

Confession of Faith – 10.4, 7.6.3 & 7.6.5 – *Living Faith*

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Christ is now arisen – St. Giles Choir and Malcolm Edwards

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

* Prayer of Dedication

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

We Go Forth

Hymn of Sending: 258 – *Thine be the glory* (1, 2 & 4)

* Commission and Benediction

Hymn of Blessing from the Choir: *Go in peace*

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



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'

Section 10.4

All: Eternal life is resurrection life. As God raised Christ, so shall we be raised into a condition fit for life with God. Eternal life begins in this life: whoever believes in the Son of God already has eternal life. In Baptism by faith we die and rise with Christ and so are one with the risen Lord. In death we commit our future confidently to God.

Section 7.6.3

All: By the power of the Holy Spirit God acts through Baptism. It is the sacrament not of what we do but of what God has done for us in Christ. God's grace and our response to it are not tied to the moment of Baptism, but continue and deepen throughout life. It is a sacrament meant for those who profess their faith and for their children. Together we are the family of God.

Section 7.6.5

All: Baptism assures us that we belong to God. In life and in death our greatest comfort is that we belong to our faithful Saviour Jesus Christ.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE FOR REFLECTION

“The LORD is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation. Shouts of joy and salvation resound in the tents of the righteous: “The right hand of the LORD performs with valor! The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD performs with valor!” I will not die, but I will live and proclaim what the LORD has done.” - Psalm 118:14-17

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Study on 'The Gospel of Matthew': Wed @10:15am

Led by Denis Mascardelli, come learn practical teachings and the wisdom of our faith from Holy Scripture. All are welcome to join at any time, including curious non-believers!

Labyrinth Café: Friday, April 10th @ 10:30am - 12:30pm

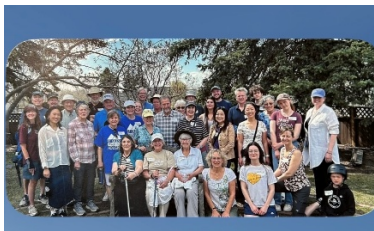
Come for a time of conversation and Easter celebration singing some favourite hymns (to start at 11 am), followed by more time to visit with friends, family and neighbours.

Speaker Series; Sunday, April 12th @ 11:30 am

We will be welcoming Emily from Home Space Society to speak to us about the work of Home Space in their effort to provide affordable housing options in our city. Come join us!

Walk for Housing: Save the Date - May 2nd

Our annual event is coming in May! Mark your calendars and prepare to raise money and join in this joyful gathering of St. Giles and other churches in the Presbytery through a walk in Confederation Park with soup to follow!



Labyrinth Café: Save the Date - Friday, May 8th

Mark your calendars for our annual 'Bring a Friend Tea' in May at the Labyrinth Café. Always a favourite! Please contact Susan Carmichael to reserve your tickets in advance.

St. Giles Orchestra: LIFT YOUR SOUL BEYOND THE ORDINARY! May 23 @ 7 pm

Celebrate holiness and hope with Mozart and Tchaikovsky. Tickets are available on Eventbrite or through the treasurer of St. Giles. International sensation and guest violinist, Donghwi Kim, will make this a night that will resound with the glory of God. Public sales have now opened - be sure to purchase your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:00 AM

Wednesdays - Gospel of Matthew: 10:15am

April 5th Preacher: Rev. Chandra Mannix

April 5th Greeter: Annette Livingston



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.

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.

ST. GILES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 5th, 2026
Easter Sunday



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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