

Fourth Sunday in Lent



Today, March 11th
LENT 4

8:30 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)
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"To know Christ and to make Him known"

LIFE BETWEEN SUNDAYS

Today	March 11	8.30 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP), Sunday School and Coffee
Mon. to Fri.		9 a.m. – Noon	Mom and Infant Conversation Circle
Tue to Thurs		9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Parish Office Hours
Monday	March 12	7-9 p.m.	Bible Study: “Re-Frame”
Tuesday	March 13	7-9 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Wednesday	March 14	11.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
		2.00 p.m.	Parish Coffee Time
Thursday	March 15	7.00 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study: <i>Galatians 1: 10-24</i>
Sunday	March 18	8.30 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
		10.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer, Sunday School and Coffee; <i>Exodus 2: 23-3:20; Mark 10:32-45</i>

Fr. Norbert is away March 13-21. For pastoral emergencies call Michael Lyons, (306) 715-1689

WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

Globally we give thanks for: Elizabeth, our Queen; Julie, our Governor General; Justin, our Prime Minister; Randy, our M.P.; Brian, our Grand Chief; The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Saskatchewan, and Sid, their Bishop; The Church of England and Justin, their Archbishop. **We pray for** the poor and hungry; for the work of the Primate’s Relief and Development Fund; for food banks and all who minister to the poor.

Locally we give thanks for: Our brothers and sisters in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert and Albert, their Bishop; the Prince Albert Baptist Church and Dave, their pastor; St. Alban’s Cathedral and Andrew, the Priest in Charge. **We pray for:** All members of Parliament, elders, chiefs, and councilors.

This week we give thanks for Michael and Adam, our Bishops; Norbert, our pastor; Michael, our student minister; and, these parish members: John and Carolyn Thorpe and their baby Violet; David and Karen Thorpe, with James, Janelle, Nicole, their kids; Don and Margie Thorpe; Helen Thorpe **We pray for** our choir and Colleen, its director.

We pray for those in special need: Ruby Horachek; Andree Martinson; Leah Paluck; Robert Stewart and Brent Tysdal.

We pray for those in particular need: John Eagle; Liam Bain; Charlotte Byers; Keaton, Kyler and Laryn Constant; Grace Couldwell; Frieda Engel; Heather Gibson; Ralph Harris; Dorothy Revitt; Phil Sampson and Silas Tysdal.

**The flowers in the sanctuary today are offered to the glory of God
by Florence Dugan in memory of Don Dugan and other departed loved ones**

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP GATHERING

Celebrant I am the light of the world, says the Lord; those who follow me will have the light of life. *John 8.12*

Opening Hymn

#54 Now Thank We All Our God

1. Now thank we all our God
with hearts and hands and voices;
such wonders he has done!
In him the world rejoices.

He, from our mother's arms,
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

2. So may this generous God
through all our life be near us;
to fill our hearts with joy,
and with his peace to cheer us;
to keep us in his grace,
and guide us when perplexed;
to free us from all ills
in this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God
who reigns in highest heaven,
to Father and to Son
and spirit now be given,
the one eternal God
whom heaven and earth adore;
for so it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Notices of Worship and

Ministry Opportunities

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All And also with you.

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.

Minister Our Lord Jesus Christ said: "The first commandment is:

Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

All Lord, have mercy upon us, and write these laws in our hearts.

The Collect for THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Grant, Almighty God, that we, who deserve to be punished for our evil deeds, may by your grace and mercy be spared through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Collect for ASH WEDNESDAY

Almighty and everlasting God, who hates nothing that you have made and forgives the sins of all who are penitent: make in us new and contrite hearts so that, we lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The children gather for Sunday School.

First Reading Exodus: 16: 2-7a

The lesson is written in the 16th chapter of Exodus, beginning at verse 2.

In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the LORD's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you will know that it was the LORD who brought you out of Egypt, and in the morning you will see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against him. (NIV) Here ends the lesson.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 125

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.

The hills stand about Jerusalem; so does the Lord stand round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.

The sceptre of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.

Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good and to those who are true of heart.

As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, the

Lord will lead them away with the evildoers; but peace be upon Israel.

Amen.

Second Reading Galatians 4:26-5:1

The lesson is written in the 4th chapter of Galatians, beginning at verse 26.

The Jerusalem that is above is free, and she is our mother. For it is written:

"Be glad, barren woman,
you who never bore a child;
shout for joy and cry aloud,
you who were never in labor;
because more are the children of the
desolate woman
than of her who has a husband."

Now you, brothers and sisters, like Isaac, are children of promise. At that time the son born according to the flesh persecuted the son born by the power of the Spirit. It is the same now. But what does Scripture say? "Get rid of the slave woman and her son, for the slave woman's son will never share in the inheritance with the free woman's son." Therefore, brothers and sisters, we are not children of the slave woman, but of the free woman.

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. (NIV) Here ends the lesson.

All Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

#460 As We Break The Bread

1. **As we break the bread
and taste the life of wine,
we bring to mind our Lord
Man of all time.**
2. **Grain is sown to die;**

**it rises from the dead,
becomes through human toil
our daily bread.**

- 3. Pass from hand to hand
the living love of Christ!
Machines and people raise
bread for his feast.**
- 4. Jesus binds in one
our daily life and work;
he is of humankind
symbol and mark.**
- 5. Having shared the bread
that died to rise again,
we rise to serve the world,
scattered as grain.**

The Gospel John 6:5-14

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ is written in the 6th chapter of
the Gospel according to John,
beginning at verse 5.

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus, lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those

who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!" (ESV)
The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Nicene Creed

**All I believe in one God, the Father
Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of
all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only
Son of God, begotten of the Father before all
ages, 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, and
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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 shall
come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver
of life, who proceeds from the Father and the
Son, who with the Father and the Son is
worshipped and glorified, who has spoken
through the prophets.**

**I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic
Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection**

of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen. (BAS)

Sermon by Michael Lyons

Offertory Salutation

Celebrant Not every one who says unto me,
Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom
of heaven; but he that does the will
of my Father which is in heaven.

Offertory Hymn

#171 Freedom And Life Are Ours

- 1. Freedom and life are ours
for Christ has set us free!
never again submit to powers
that lead to slavery:
Christ is the Lord who breaks our chains,
our bondage ends,
Christ is the Rescuer who makes
the helpless slaves his friends.**
- 2. Called by the Lord to use
our freedom and be strong,
not letting liberty excuse
a life of blatant wrong:
freed from the law's stern hand
God's gift of grace to prove,
know that the law's entire demand
is gladly met by love.**
- 3. Spirit of God, come, fill,
emancipate us all!
speak to us, Word of truth, until
before your feet we fall:
glory and liberty
our father has decreed,
and if the Son shall make us free
we shall be free indeed!**

Prayer Over the Gifts

Celebrant God of mercy and compassion, your
Word call us Home to Faith and
love. Accept all we offer you this
day, in the name of Jesus Christ the
Lord.

**All All that is in the heaven and in the
earth is thine. All things come of
thee, and of thine own have we
given thee.**

The Biddings

Leader Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic
Church, especially *Sid, Justin, Albert, Dave,
Andrew.*

Let us pray for peace on earth and for the unity of
all Christian people, remembering in our prayers
this week to pray for *Elizabeth, Julie, Justin,
Randy, Brian..*

Let us pray for our missionaries at home and
abroad, giving thanks for Norbert, our Pastor,
Michael, our student minister and; *John, Caroline,
David, Karen, James, Nicole, Don, Margie, Helen;
our choir and Colleen.*

Let us remember before God those of our
brethren who have departed this life and are at
rest.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church
militant here in earth.

The Intercession

Celebrant Almighty and ever-living God, you
who by your holy Apostle Paul have taught us by
your holy Word to offer prayers and petitions, and
to give thanks, for all people: We humbly ask you
most mercifully to accept our gifts and to receive
our prayers which we offer to your divine Majesty,
asking you to inspire continually the universal
Church with the spirit of truth, unity and harmony,

and to grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We pray that you will lead the nations of the world into the ways of righteousness and peace, and guide their leaders in wisdom and justice to act for the good of all people. Grant to your servant Elizabeth our Queen, and all that are in authority under her that they may impartially administer justice, maintain true religion and uphold integrity and truth.

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all bishops, priest, and deacons, especially Michael and Adam, our Bishops, that, by their life and teaching, they may set forth your true, life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all your people, give your heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation, that they may receive your word with reverent and obedient hearts, and also serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we ask you in your goodness, Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this short life on earth are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, particularly; *Ruby, Andree, Leah, Robert, Brent, John, Liam, Charlotte, Keaton, Kyler and Laryn, Grace, Frieda, Heather, Ralph, Dorothy, Phil and Silas* and all others for whom our prayers are desired.

We remember before you, O Lord, all your servants departed this life in your faith and fear. We bless your holy name for all who in life and death have glorified you. Give us grace to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of your heavenly kingdom. Grant all this, Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and

forever. **Amen.**

General Confession

Celebrant All who truly and sincerely repent of their sins, are reconciled and at peace with their neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God and walking from this day forward in his holy ways; draw near with faith, take this holy Sacrament to strengthen and comfort you, and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

All Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people, we acknowledge and confess our many sins, which we have committed from time to time by thought, word and deed against your divine Majesty.

We earnestly repent and are deeply sorry for all our wrongdoings. The memory of them grieves us and the burden of them is too great for us to bear. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father.

For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past and grant from this time forward we may serve and please you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of God's Forgiveness

Priest 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.

Amen.

Hear the words of assurance addressed by our Lord Jesus Christ to those who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. (*Matt. 11:28*)

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (*Jn. 3:16*)

Hear also what St. Paul said: This saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (*1 Tim. 1:15*)

And hear what St. John said: If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. (*1 Jn 2:1*)

Thanksgiving and Consecration

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
All And with your spirit.

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

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

Celebrant Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things, it is good and right at all times, and in all places, to give you thanks and praise: Through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true High Priest, who has washed us from our sins, and has made us to be a kingdom of priests unto you, our God and Father.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim and magnify your glorious name, forever praising you, and saying:

All Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Glory be to you, O Lord most high. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be to you, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take to himself our human nature, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption: who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full satisfaction, perfect self-offering and sufficient sacrifice, for the sins of the whole world; and instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memorial of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: Who, in the same night that he was betrayed took bread; and when he had given 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 when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you for 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.

And so, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we your humble servants, with all your holy church, remembering the precious death of your beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, his glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, make before you, in this Sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of

renew me, bread of God,
restore me, Son of man.

5. For still the desert lies
behind me and before:
O living waters, rise
within me evermore.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

**All 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 them that trespass
against us; And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from
evil. For thine is the kingdom, the
power and the glory, forever and
ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty and ever-living God, we
heartily thank you that you graciously feed us,
who have duly received these holy mysteries, with
the spiritual food of the most precious Body and
Blood of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. We
also thank you that you have assured us in this
sacrament of your favour and goodness towards
us, and that we are true members of the mystical
body of your Son, the blessed company of all
faithful people, and are also heirs, through hope,
of your eternal kingdom.

**All Here we offer and present to you, O
Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a
reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice.
Fill us all who share in this Holy Communion
with your grace and heavenly benediction.**

**And although we are unworthy, through our
many sins, to offer to you any sacrifice, yet we**

**pray that you will accept this, the duty and
service we owe.**

**Do not weigh our merits but pardon our
offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by
whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, Father
Almighty, forever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God which passes
all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in
the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son
Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God
Almighty, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among
you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

#437 I cannot tell why

1. I cannot tell why
he whom angles worship
should set his love
upon the sons of men,
or why as shepherd
he should seek the wanderers,
to bring them back,
they know not how nor when.
But this I know,
that he was born of Mary
when Bethlehem's manger
was his only home,
and that he lived at Nazareth
and laboured;
and so the saviour, saviour of the world,
has come.
2. I cannot tell why silently he suffered
as with his peace he graced
this place of tears,
now how his heart upon the cross
was broken,
the crown of pain to three

and thirty years.
But this I know,
he heals the broken-hearted
and stays our sin
and calms our lurking fear,
and lifts the burden from
the heavy-laden;
for still the saviour, saviour of the world,
is here.

3. I cannot tell how he will win the nations,
how he will claim his earthly heritage,
how satisfy the needs and aspirations
of east and west, of sinner and of sage.

But this I know,
all flesh shall see his glory,
and he shall reap the harvest
he has sown,
and some glad day
his sun will shine in splendour
when he the saviour, saviour of the
world, is known.

4. I cannot tell how all the lands
shall worship,
when at his bidding every storm
is stilled,

or who can say how great the jubilation
when all our hearts
with love for him are filled.
But this I know,
the skies will sound his praises,
ten thousand thousand human
voices sing,
and earth to heaven, and heaven to
earth, will answer,
'At last the saviour, saviour of the world,
is king!'

Dismissal

Minister Almighty God, grant, we pray,
that the words, which we have
heard with our ears, may through
your grace be so grafted inwardly
in our hearts, that they may
cause to grow within us the fruit
of good works, to the honor and
praise of your name; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

All Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

We encourage you to remember St. David's in your Will and to read through The Acts of the Apostles in Lent, 2018, from Ash Wednesday to Easter Day, according to the bookmarks available in the Parish Office.

This week: March 11 Acts 15:22-41

March 15 Acts 17:16-2

March 12 Acts 16:1-24

March 16 Acts 17:22-34

March 13 Acts 16:25-40

March 17 Acts 18:1-17

March 14 Acts 17:1-15

March 13 7 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry at Susan Bain's home.

March 19 1.30 pm ACW Meeting here at the church. All ladies are welcome to attend.

March 23-24 Diocesan Lenten Retreat at Waskesiu. The Rev. Dr. Dean Pinter leading. Everyone is invited to attend. The brochures are available on the bulletin board.

Vacation Bible School is collecting large coffee cans (at least 14). Please save and leave them here at the church. The Easter VBS will be April 3rd to 5th, from 9.30 am to noon. See Noreen for info.

A MATTER OF STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is what we do after we say, "We believe". *Anon*

BY THE NUMBERS

Attendance at Worship Gatherings Last Week

62

Weekly Budgeted Offering

\$2,894

Offering received week of March 4th

\$3,270

Budgeted Offering Jan. 1- Mar. 4

\$26,046

Offering received Jan. 1- Mar. 4

\$21,869 (shortfall of \$4,177)

Scripture Readings for March 11th – March 17th, 2017

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		<i>Evening Prayer</i>	
<i>Sunday</i>	Gen. 35:1-15	Heb. 13:1-21	Gen. 45:16 -46:7	Lk. 23:1-25
<i>Monday</i>	Ex. 24	Jn. 7:1-24	Ex. 25:1-22	1 Tim. 1:1-17
<i>Tuesday</i>	Ex. 28:1-4,29-41	Jn. 7:25-52	Ex. 29:38-30:16	1 Tim. 1:18-2:15
<i>Wednesday</i>	Ex. 32	Jn. 8:1-30	Ex. 33	1 Tim. 3
<i>Thursday</i>	Ex. 34	Jn. 8:31-59	Ex. 35:20-36:7	1 Tim. 4
<i>Friday</i>	Ex. 40:17-38	Jn. 9	Lev. 6:8-30	1 Tim. 5
<i>Saturday</i>	Lev. 19:1-18; 30-37	Jn. 10:1-21	Lev. 25:1-24	1 Tim. 6