The St. Paul's Page

St. Paul's United Church

115<mark>26 76 Avenue NW</mark> Edmonton, Alberta T6G 0K7 Theological Banquet: A Celebration of Diversity
October 20th, 2024

Sunday morning worship services begin at 10:30. Worship services are also live-streamed and uploaded for later viewing here.

If you are joining us for the Sunday worship online, please see our <u>service</u> <u>bulletins</u>. Alternatively, the QR code can be scanned to view the bulletin for this week.

ACTIVITIES AT ST. PAUL'S OCTOBER 20 - 27			
SUN 10.20	10:30 am 12:00 pm	Sunday Worship Rev. Jordan Cantwell Celebration of Theological Banquet Potluck Foote Auditorium	
MON 10.21	9:30 am 4:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Yoga Moxy B Studio AA Support Group A Joyful Noise Choir	Foote Auditorium Foote Auditorium Bentley Room Foote Auditorium
TUE 10.22	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Tai Chi Nar Anon Support Group	Foote Auditorium Bentley Room
WED 10.23	9:30 am 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Staff Meeting Yoga Choir Rehearsal	Anna's Study Foote Auditorium Sanctuary
THU 10.24	9:30 am 5:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Quilting Group Moxy B Studio Tai Chi Day 5	Foote Auditorium Foote Auditorium Foote Auditorium Zoom
FRI 10.25	1:00 pm 6:30 pm	Belgravia Bridge Club Labyrinth Meditation	Friendship Room Foote Auditorium
SAT 10.26	10:30 am 1 pm	Braille Tones Memorial Service for Johanna Wishart	Foote Auditorium Sanctuary
SUN 10.27	10:30 am	Sunday Worship Rev. Anna Constantin Sharing the Banquet	

Pot Luck Celebration October 20th

From Rev. Anna: Following the positive response to the Theological Banquet we would like to have a potluck following Sunday worship on October 20th to celebrate the many ways that we come together as a church.

All are welcome.

Almsgiver

Psalm 36:7-9

Along with countless other beggars
Who rely on you for spiritual food,
I come with my own unfilled bowl,
Confident that I will surely receive
From the bounty of your goodness.
You know my poverty and give freely,
Enough to satisfy my spiritual hunger,
Plenty to nourish my famished soul.
No need to demand or be gluttonous
For I can be satisfied with what I obtain.

Today: I come with my begging bowl.

from Fragments of Your Ancient Name by Joyce Rupp



We continue our study of the different ways we live out our faith in the church and the world using the metaphor of the **Theological Banquet** based on Janet Gear's book, *Undivided Love: Navigating Landscapes of Living Faith.*

Please join us October 20th & 27th 9 - 10 am on Sunday morning in the Library.

You can contact the office to receive the zoom link. Please contact Rev. Anna for any questions or if you would like to purchase a copy of the book.

Reading the book is optional for this study.

The Newcomers conversation group is meeting every other Sunday at 11:50 in the Bentley room. Upcoming dates:

October 20 and November 3

You do not need to be a newcomer to participate. This is a great way to learn about and get to know one another. Everyone is welcome.

Acknowledgements:

Our Music Director, Susan Farrell, received a Choir Alberta Award of Distinction.

Rev. Candace McNeill, our Minister of Faith Formation, received a Family Faith Every Day grant for work with families with children aged 0-3 for the next 3 years!

ST. PAUL'S LABYRINTH

MEDITATION IN MOTION

Invitation to Walk the Labyrinth at St. Paul's United Church on Friday October 24 from 6:30 - 8 pm

Lower Hall

Fee: \$15 per person

A labyrinth is an ancient contemplative tool. Walking the labyrinth is as simple as taking time to follow the path to the center, to pause there and to walk back out. You are also free to walk out of the labyrinth any time you wish.

For more information please contact the office at

780-436-1555 or at office@stpaulsunited.org

Murder Me Always

A Comic Murder Mystery

A comedy Murder Mystery by Lee Mueller at St. Paul's United Church - Foote Auditorium November 7 - 9 @ 7 p.m.

Join us for Mystery and Mayhem!

Tickets moxystudio@gmail.com

(See poster in Friendship Room)





Day 5 - Book Banning in an Age of Cancel Culture

Thursday, October 24th at 7:30 pm on Zoom.

Facilitated by Paul Preston

Living in a democracy and pluralistic society, we are going to encounter people with whom we disagree. How do we deal with the disagreement and how do we treat the individual in front of us, especially when the amount of diversity appears to be increasing, even as the diversity of opinions seems to be enlarging? Polarization seems to be present in everything political, from the personal to the public.

I could just have easily called this Day 5 evening "Cancel Culture in an Age of Book Banning." The purpose of this evening though is to set the stage for our Banned-Book Book Club. Through discussion and a review of some of the books that have been banned and some of the people whose cancelling have been advocated, hopefully, we will disagree a little and emerge a little closer to each other because of that disagreement.

Zoom link for Day 5 is emailed on Wednesdays.

Acknowledging Rev. Dr. Catherine MacLean who is being granted an honorary degree, Doctor of Divinity.

This link will take you to the St. Stephen's College page where Catherine is celebrated: https://www.ualberta.ca/en/st-stephens/ community/honorary-degrees-and-awards/2024-recipients.html

St. Stephen's College confers honorary degrees and awards each year at the College's convocation ceremony. This year, the 100th Annual Convocation will be held on October 28, 2024. The convocation address will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Catherine Faith MacLean on the theme of Making Meaning in Times of Tension.

You are welcome to attend. Details are found here: https:// www.ualberta.ca/en/st-stephens/community/convocation/index.html



Winter Coat Season The Social Justice Committee thanks you for the positive response to the coat-drive. Last week we gave coats to 27 newcomers who are starting their first winter. We were also able to provide some boots but had an insufficient supply for everyone.

The need for coats/jackets/boots will continue for many months so there is still time to contribute. A second hand coat, used boots or a financial donation to St Paul's for refugee support makes a world of difference.



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