The St. Paul's Page

St. Paul's United Church

115<mark>26 76 Avenue N</mark>W Edmonton, Alberta T6G 0K7 This Ancient Love Advent 1: Hope December 1st, 2024

If you are joining us for the Sunday worship online, please see our <u>service bulletins</u>.

Alternatively, the QR code can be scanned to view the bulletin for this week.



ACTIVITIES AT ST. PAUL'S DECEMBER 1 - 8			
SUN 12.01	10:30 am 12:00 pm	Sunday Worship Rev Advent 1: Hope Cake & Cupcakes	. Anna Constantin Foote Auditorium
MON 12.02	9:30 am 3:30 pm 7:00 pm	Yoga Moxy B Studio AA Support Group	Foote Auditorium Foote Auditorium Bentley Room
TUE 12.03	7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Spiritual Nurture Tai Chi Nar Anon Support Group	Dunn Room Upper Hall Bentley Room
WED 12.04	9:30 am 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Staff Meeting Yoga Choir Rehearsal	Anna's Study Upper Hall Sanctuary
THU 12.05	9:30 am 3:30 pm 7:00 pm	Quilting Group Moxy B Tai Chi	Foote Auditorium Foote Auditorium Foote Auditorium
FRI 12.06	1:00 pm 7:00 pm	Belgravia Bridge Club Youth Group	Friendship Room Bentley Room
SAT 12.07	9:30 am 9:30 am 2:00 pm	Braille Tones Edmonton Dinner Club Yoga Workshop	Foote Auditorium Dunn Room Foote Auditorium
SUN 12.08	10:30 am 12:00 pm	Sunday Worship Rev Advent 2: Peace Discernment Committee	Anna Constantin Bentley Room

Find Patches in the St. Paul's Page! Can you see a sheep?

Where will you find him this week?

Poinsettia Orders

Poinsettias will be delivered in early December. You may take your plant home after the service on December 22nd or after either of the Christmas Eve services.

Quiet One

Into the din of our inner confusion
You come, gentle as a single snowflake.
Into the rush of our continual hurry
You come, slow as a melting icicle.
Into the pressure of endless activity
You come, easy as restful breathing.
Into the constant voices of demand
You come, silent as a falling star.
Quiet One, restorer of stillness,
You are present. Waiting to be welcomed.

Today: I stop long enough to welcome the Quiet One.

from Fragments of Your Ancient Name by Joyce Rupp

Paulettes and Quilters are invited to a potluck Christmas luncheon at the home of Eleanor Wein on Wednesday December 4 at 11:30 AM.

BOOKKEEPER WANTED

The Finance Committee is looking for a bookkeeper (or two) to assist the Treasurer. Duties include: keeping the books, producing month- and year-end reports, banking, and tax filings. Experience with Quickbooks and Excel is expected. Having a connection to St. Paul's is strongly desirable. Must be able to work at the church on a regular basis. Hours fluctuate with the needs, but are typically lighter during the summer and heavier at month- and year-end. This is a volunteer position. Please contact Jim Smythe or the Church Office if you are interested in this opportunity or know someone who might be.

After worship this Sunday, we will celebrate Rev. Anna and Rev. Candace's 1-year anniversaries with St. Paul's. Join us in the Foote Auditorium for cake and cupcakes!

Braille Tones: Winter Wind Up Concert

December 7th from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

at St. Paul's United Church

Get into the festive feeling at the Braille Tones and Semitones' Winter Wind Up, a casual Saturday morning show featuring the choirs and music students of the Braille Tone Music Society! The show will start at 11:00 am on December 7 in the Foote Auditorium and will include audience singalong moments and some familiar tunes. Admission is by donation and coffee, hot chocolate, and treats will be served.

FINANCE UPDATE – OFFERINGS IN 2025

The Finance Committee is busy preparing the operating budget for next year, and we need your help! In order to balance our budget we need a good revenue forecast; about 90% of our revenue comes from offerings. Please take time to review your level of financial support for St. Paul's. A response by December 23 would be **appreciated**. If you are on PAR, please consider raising your monthly amount. If you give by cash or cheque, please let us know how much you are planning to give in 2025 by sending a pledge in to the Church Office. Inflation has impacted our expenditures in recent years and we need our revenues to rise in order to keep up. All gifts to St. Paul's are appreciated, no matter how large or small! Thank-you.

Jim Smythe - Finance Committee

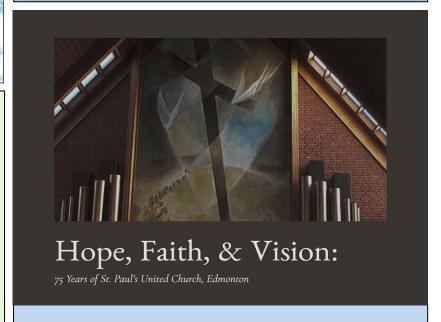
Day 5 - December 5th at 7:30 pm

Join Rondy Kyle to experience the Christmas story anew, and together, explore where we

find hope in dark times. Out of the Box is experiental storytelling that builds community, providing an opportunity to playfully engage the stories we love in a new and deeper way, and to reflect on the story in our context today.



Day 5 is on Zoom, please scan the QR code or visit the link provided in the Wednesday email.



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\$20 for an exciting story and over 100 photographs. Tell your

To help determine how many copies to print we would appreciate knowing how many you would like to purchase. Please contact Cianna in the office by email or phone. We will also have a table in the Friendship Room to take names.



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