# The St. Paul's Page

St. Paul's United Church

bulletin for this week.

115<mark>26 76 Avenue NW</mark> Edmonton, Alberta T6G 0K7 Following the Light January 19th, 2025

Sunday morning worship services begin at 10:30. Worship services are also live-streamed and uploaded for later viewing <a href="https://example.com/here.">here.</a>

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 our Sunday



ACTIVITIES AT ST. PAUL'S JANUARY 19 - 26			
SUN 01.19	10:30 am	Sunday Worship	Rev. Adam Hall
MON 01.20	9:30 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Yoga AA Support Group A Joyful Noise Choir	Foote Auditorium Bentley Room Foote Auditorium
TUE 01.21	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Tai Chi Nar Anon Support Group	Foote Auditorium Bentley Room
WED 01.22	<b>9:30 am</b> 3:30 pm <b>7:30 pm</b>	Staff Meeting Moxy B Studio Choir Rehearsal	Study Foote Auditorium Sanctuary
THU 01.23	<b>9:30 am</b> 7:00 pm <b>7:30 pm</b>	Quilting Group Tai Chi Day 5	Foote Auditorium Foote Auditorium Zoom
FRI 01.24	1:00 pm <b>6:00 pm</b>	Belgravia Bridge Club Social Justice Committee	Friendship Room <b>Upper Hall</b>
SAT 01.25	9:00 am 10:30 am 1:30 pm	Social Justice Committee Braille Tones Choirs A Joyful Noise Choir	Upper Hall Foote Auditorium Foote Auditorium
SUN 01.26	<b>10:30 am</b> 3:00 pm	Sunday Worship Rev. Anna Constantin Piano Recital Sanctuary	

Rev. Anna Constantin is away at the Moderator's ReGenerate conference in Ontario until January 24<sup>th</sup>. For any pastoral care needs, please contact the office.

# 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary History Book

Our 75th Anniversary book, including more than 150 pictures, is now available. Please contact the office if you don't have your copy yet. The cost is \$20 plus shipping if applicable.

# Creator of Wintry Ice and Snow

Edward Hays

The untamed winds of frosted winter
Cough their way into penetrating coldness.
Heavy snowflakes swirl wildly everywhere.
You invite us to witness this fresh beauty,
To lessen complaint about its inconvenience.
You speak to grumbling hearts in this season:
"Celebrate the wonder of what is before you.
Abandon your schedules and organized plans.
Settle into the long wintry evenings of quiet
And sip the good red wine of my contentment."

Today: I accept what inconveniences me.

from Fragments of Your Ancient Name by Joyce Rupp

# When you are parking the church...

Please be mindful of elderly members and those with mobility challenges when choosing a place to park. If you have the ability to, please consider parking farther away to leave space for those who may not be able to walk far.

Thank you to the Paulettes for their purchase of ten 75th Anniversary books. These books have been gifts to our current and former ministers, one copy has been placed in the Margaret Parson's Library and one in the Church office for a permanent record. Two copies have been sent to Library and Archives Canada (as required) and one copy has been placed in the Provincial Archives.

#### **Annual Congregational Meeting 2025**

Save the date! St. Paul's Annual Congregational Meeting is February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025.

## Day 5 - Next session: January 23rd at 7:30 pm

The next session of Day 5 is on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Barbara Ward will present 'Northwest Passage: In the Footsteps of Franklin August 2024'



A journey to western Greenland and the Canadian Arctic through stark landscapes and ice with wildlife sightings and cultural experiences.

To join us on Zoom, please scan the QR code or visit the link provided in the Wednesday email.



This past Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup> we witnessed the Baptism of Alder, pictured here with his parents, Brent and Alexandra, and Rev. Anna Constantin.



#### **Diverse Minds in One Body: Neurodiversity Awareness** and Tools for Christian Leaders

Given the importance of opening our church doors to all, it is crucial for faith communities like ours to embrace and accommodate individuals with neurocomplexities. We must be intentional in ensuring that they feel welcome, valued, and supported in their spiritual journeys. Social norms, which are intended to create a warm and welcoming environment, can sometimes create an exhausting or even physically distressing atmosphere for the neurodivergent. With higher rates of depression, anxiety, fear, and loneliness among this community, they need Christ and His church—but often struggle to find their place within it. This presentation-style workshop is intended to be an equipping time – with practical toolkits on how to empower greeting volunteers, staff, and pastors in supporting neurodivergent congregants and guests.

Providence Renewal Centre, January 25, 2025, (9am-12pm)

The cost of this workshop is \$25. Registration deadline is January 21, 2025

Register here.

#### Here from the beginning: the story of Black people in the United Church Project

Whatever your ethnic or racial background, you're invited to support a Centennial story-telling project focused on the lives and contributions of Black people in the United Church of Canada. This exhibition celebrating Black individuals' remarkable contributions and experiences within the church amplifies these voices and showcases their incredible impact on our faith, history, and community. Celebrating the history of The United Church of Canada through the lens of Black people is the overall project, and it has two related parts:

Telling the stories of individuals we want to honour, and a travelling historical exhibit.

More information can be found here.





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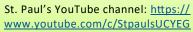












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