

ORDER OF SERVICE – NOVEMBER 24, 10:00 AM – CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Preaching Pastor Rick & Presiding Pastor Bart

Music Team: Erica, Lyndsay, Lynn, Mel, Rebecca, Kathy, Zach

Welcome to worship!

If you are a visitor today, please pick up a gift bag and learn more about our programs at the Welcome Table at the back of the narthex. Grab a coffee and mingle following the service. A family friendly area is available in the Gateway to sit with other parents or to allow your children to enjoy some snacks following the worship service and Sunday school. If your children require a quiet place during the service, feel free to take them to the narthex near the fireplace area or into the Gateway Room where we have few quiet toys for them to enjoy.

If you are a visitor, we welcome you to come forward for communion. If your children have gone through communion instruction, they are welcome as well. If they are not taking communion, please bring them forward for a blessing. If you would like personal prayer this morning, you are invited to meet with our prayer team in the narthex either before or after you have taken communion. Individual prayer is also available following the service.

Today's worship service, including our children's time is live streamed and recorded for future viewing on St. Peter's YouTube channel. Sitting further back out of the filming area is an option.

OPENING HYMN: Jesus Shall Reign

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does its successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till sun shall rise and set no more.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns;
The pris'ner leaps to lose his chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blessed

CHORUS

To our King be highest praise,
Rising through eternal days
Just and faithful He shall reign,
Jesus shall reign

People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name

CHORUS

Let every creature rise and bring
Blessing and honor to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud amen.

CHORUS x 2

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LIGHTING THE CANDLES • WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

All: Lord God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we invite your presence into our worship this morning and consecrate this time to you. Be glorified in the preaching, in the singing, our praying and our meditation on your word. We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, beseeching Him, in the name of our Lord Jesus, to forgive the iniquity of our sin.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open
All desires known, from You no secrets are hid
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
By the power of your Spirit
That we love and magnify your name

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P: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

[Silence for reflection]

P: Most merciful God...

All: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. Amen

THE GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: and also with you.

KYRIE

Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy (2x)
Christe eleison, Christ have mercy (2x)
Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy (2x)
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy

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ADVENT GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth
We praise your name; we bless your name; we worship and glorify you!
Gloria! In excelsis Deo (2x)

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PRAYER OF THE DAY: CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things to your beloved Son, who you anointed priest forever and king of all creation: Grant that all the people of earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united under the glorious and gentle rule of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S STORY: Pastor Rick

CHILDREN'S SONG: He Is the King of Kings

He is the King (XX) of kings,
He is the Lord (XX) of lords;
His name is Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Oh! He is the King.
(Repeat song)

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FIRST READING: Isaiah 51:4-6 NIV

⁴“Listen to me, my people; hear me, my nation: Instruction will go out from me; my justice will become a light to the nations. ⁵My righteousness draws near speedily; my salvation is on the way, and my arm will bring justice to the nations. The islands will look to me and wait in hope for my arm. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, look at the earth beneath; the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and its inhabitants die like flies. But my salvation will last forever; my righteousness will never fail.

PSALM 93 NIV

¹ The LORD reigns, he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength; indeed, the world is established, firm and secure.
² Your throne was established long ago; you are from all eternity.
³ The seas have lifted up, LORD, the seas have lifted up their voice; the seas have lifted up their pounding waves.
⁴ Mightier than the thunder of the great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea—the LORD on high is mighty.
⁵ Your statutes, LORD, stand firm; holiness adorns your house for endless days.

SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4-8 NIV

⁴ John,
To the seven churches in the province of Asia:

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

⁷“Look, he is coming with the clouds,” and “every eye will see him, even those who pierced him”; and all peoples on earth “will mourn because of him.” So shall it be! Amen.

⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.”

GOSPEL: MARK 13:24-37 NIV

²⁴ “But in those days, following that distress, “the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; ²⁵ the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.’²⁶ “At that time people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷ And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens.²⁸ “Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. ²⁹ Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that it^[L] is near, right at the door. ³⁰ Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. ³¹ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. ³² “But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³ Be on guard! Be alert^[L]! You do not know when that time will come. ³⁴ It’s like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with their assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch. ³⁵ “Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back—whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. ³⁶ If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. ³⁷ What I say to you, I say to everyone: “Watch!””

PRE-SERMON SONG: Days of Elijah

These are the days of Elijah, declaring the Word of the Lord;
And these are the days of Your servant, Moses, righteousness being restored;
And though these are days of great trials, of famine and darkness and sword;
Still, we are the voice in the desert crying, “Prepare ye the way of the Lord!”

CHORUS

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds, shining like the sun at the trumpet call;
Lift your voice; it's the year of Jubilee, Out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

These are the days of Ezekiel, the dry bones becoming as flesh;
And these are the days of Your servant, David, rebuilding a temple of praise;
And these are the days of the harvest, the fields are as white in the world;
And we are the labourers in Your vineyard, declaring the Word of the Lord.

CHORUS

There is no god like Jehovah (4x)
(Repeat All)

CHORUS

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SERMON: Pastor Rick

OFFERTORY HYMN: Victory in Jesus

I heard an old, old story how a Savior came from glory,
How He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me.
I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning,
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

CHORUS

O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever.
He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood
He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him.
He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about His healing, of His cleansing pow'r revealing,
How He made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see.
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit!"
And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory.

CHORUS

I heard about a mansion he has built for me in glory,
And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea;
About the angels singing, and the old redemption story;
And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory.

CHORUS

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Blessed are you.

All: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your Goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of Him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And also with you.**

COMMISSIONING OF CARE MINISTRY TEAM

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you

All: **And also with you**

P: Lift up your hearts

All: **We lift them to the Lord**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: **It is right to give him thanks and praise**

PROPER PREFACE

Holy Lord

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

God of power and might

Heaven and earth of Your glory are full

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

God of power and might

Heaven and earth of Your glory are full

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION (LBW p. 110)

LORD'S PRAYER: Our Father, who art in Heaven...

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world (3x)

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us and grant us, grant us peace.

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COMMUNION SONGS

Humble King

Oh, kneel me down again, here at Your feet; Show me how much You love humility.
Oh, Spirit, be the star that leads me to the humble heart of love I see in You.

You are the God of the broken, the friend of the weak;
You wash the feet of the weary, embrace the ones in need.
I want to be like You, Jesus, to have this heart in me.
You are the God of the humble; You are the humble King.
(Repeat song)

You are the God of the humble; You are the humble King.

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Holy Holy Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty.
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea.
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see.
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please see below for details)

CLOSING HYMN: Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side,
 Rich wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified.
 No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
 But downward bends each burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of life who triumphed o'er the grave,
 And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save!
 His glories now we sing who died and rose on high,
 Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of Heaven; one with the Father known,
 One with the Spirit through Him giv'n from yonder glorious throne
 To Thee be endless praise for Thou for us has died
 Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days adored and magnified!

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THE SENDING

P: Go in Peace.
 C: Serve the Lord.
 All: Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Pastor Rick: Mon, 10:30 AM– 1:30 PM
Tim Bauer: Mon & Tues, 1:00–3:30 PM
Pastor Bart: Wed, 1:00–4:00 PM
Staff Meeting: Wed, 10:30 AM –11:30 AM

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE:

Nov 24	Sun	10:00	AM	Worship, Coffee
Nov 24	Sun	10:00	AM	Sunday School Christmas Play Practice
Nov 25	Mon	7:00	PM	God’s Word is Our Foundation – Evan (Kumlin Ranch)
Nov 26	Tues	10:00	AM	Ladies Study Lyrics of Life - Rhonda - Concludes
Nov 26	Tues	7:00	PM	<i>We Who Wrestle with God</i> – Pastor Rick Leading (“The Cabin”)
Nov 27	Wed	9:30	AM	<i>Hammer of God</i> , Small Group Study – Gary Leading
Nov 27	Wed	1:30	PM	Good Vibes Memory Choir
Nov 27	Wed	7:00	PM	The Bible Project – Darrell Leading – Gateway Room
Nov 28	Thurs	10:00	AM	Genesis Bible Study with Pastor Paul (Downstairs)
Nov 28	Thurs	5:00	PM	Council Meeting
Nov 28	Thurs	7:30	PM	Pop-Up choir rehearsal at Bow Valley Baptist Church
Nov 29	Fri	6:00	PM	Ladies Advent Supper.
Nov 30	Sat	9:00	AM	Pop-Up Choir Practice for Advent by Candlelight on Dec 1, 7 PM

MONTH OF DECEMBER 2024

Dec 1	Sun	10:00	AM	First Sunday in Advent • Welcoming new membership • Volunteer appreciation and lunch to follow
Dec 1	Sun,	7:00	PM	Advent by Candlelight – Lessons and Carols (with choir and brass)
Dec 2	Mon,	7:00	PM	God’s Word is Our Foundation Evan Leading at Kumlin Ranch

Dec 3	Tues,	9:00	AM	Prayer Group – Diana Leading
Dec 4	Wed,	9:30	AM	<i>Hammer of God</i> , Small Group Study Gary Leading
Dec 4	Wed,	1:30	PM	Good Vibes Memory Choir
Dec 5	Thurs,	10:00	AM	Genesis Bible Study with Pastor Paul (Downstairs)
Dec 6	Fri,	3:30-5	PM	Weekly Church Cleaning
Dec 7	Sat,	8:00	AM	Men's Breakfast
Dec 8	Sun,	10:00	AM	2nd Sunday in Advent, Sunday School Christmas Play Practice
Dec 10	Tues,	9:00	AM	Prayer Group – Diana Leading
Dec 11	Wed,	9:30	AM	<i>Hammer of God</i> , Small Group Study Gary Leading
Dec 11	Wed,	1:30	PM	Good Vibes Memory Choir
Dec 11	Wed,	7:00	PM	Activettes Monthly Meeting - Basement
Dec 12	Thurs,	10:00	AM	Genesis Bible Study with Pastor Paul (Downstairs)
Dec 13	Fri,	3:30-5	PM	Weekly Church Cleaning
Dec 14	Sat,	9-3	PM	Sunday School Play dress rehearsal
Dec 15	Sun,	10:00	AM	3rd Sunday in Advent, Sunday School Christmas Pageant
Dec 15	Sun,	3:00	PM	Good Vibes Memory Choir Concert
Dec 24	Tues,	4:00	PM	Christmas Eve Services (Pastor Bart)
Dec 24	Tues,	7:00	PM	Christmas Eve Services (Pastor Rick)
Dec 24	Tues,	10:00	PM	Christmas Eve Services (Pastor Rick – Communion)
Dec 25	Wed,	10:00	AM	Christmas Day (Pastor Rick – Communion)
Dec 29	Sun,	10:00	AM	1 st Sunday After Christmas, No Sunday School

PRAYER FOR ST. PETER'S:

Please remember to keep praying for the church, our pastors, leaders, members and their families.

CARE MINISTRY COMMISSIONING SERVICE

We are thankful for those who have heard the call to join our new care ministry program at St. Peter's. Each of these individuals will serve in different areas and will support our pastors in this vital role. We are so thankful and blessed to have these caring folks available to spend time with those in our congregation and beyond. The areas of serving may include spending time with people at the hospital, shut-in, lonely, providing rides to appointments, providing meals, home visits to pray or to read scripture or give a phone call to follow up and to always provide a listening ear. Each of these individuals have gone through Pastor Ricks Care Ministry Training, level 1 program.

THE CABIN – Men's Discussion Group – Tuesday, November 26 at 7 PM

At this discussion and Bible study, we take a deep dive into Jacob's wrestling with God as found in Genesis 32:22-31. Why was this event so significant? Was there a large story about to happen as a result of this wrestling match? What does this scripture tell us about our relationship with God? Could there be a bigger story waiting for us? Join Pastor Rick and other men for a lively discussion.

WOMEN'S ADVENT SUPPER

To all Ladies

The annual Advent Dinner will be held on Friday, **November 29th** starting at 6pm.

This event is a potluck supper to be followed with music and stories.

Keep your calendars free and hope to see lots of you on Nov. 29th!

For info call Robin Schickedanz at 403-870-3202.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

You will be receiving our new membership directory on **December 1**, the First Sunday in Advent.

MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY/VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION – December 1

Join us for a special time as we welcome new members into the St. Peter's church family. We will also take some time to recognize the many volunteers who faithfully share their gifts and time in serving God and each other. Join us for lunch to follow.

This is a potluck, and we love those dishes from our St. Peter's chefs. There's a sign-up sheet at the back to bring a casserole, a salad, or a dessert if you're able. On Dec 1, simply bring your potluck item downstairs before the service. Please note that there will NOT be coffee upstairs after the service that day, but coffee WILL be available downstairs with lunch. At St. Peter's, it seems there's always more than enough food whenever there's a potluck! Everyone is invited to join.

ADVENT PROJECT 2024 – Meeting God

The theme of the Advent devotions this year is *Meeting God*. We will explore ways in which God reached out to people throughout scripture and ultimately revealed himself to us in Jesus. Along with this theme is the printing of our new church directory. Many of you have told your stories over the years, and we are gathering them together online in a "living directory" to go along with your new picture.

During Advent, we will post a link to all these stories so we can introduce ourselves once again to the new members of our congregation. The devotion book follows the daily video, featuring newer members of the congregation. It is our hope that you will participate in this project and help us create a legacy for years to come.

POP- UP CHOIR REHERSAL – November 30, 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM

If you would like to sing with the choir in preparation for our Advent by Candlelight service, please contact Erica (epharebergh@shaw.ca). You are invited to come to Bow Valley Baptist Church on **Thursday, Nov. 28, 7:30 PM** for a joint rehearsal (meet and greet ☺) and then to St. Peter's on Saturday, **November 30, from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM**. Lunch will be provided.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT – December 1, 7:00 PM

Don't miss out on this wonderful evening as we begin Advent. This year, special guest choristers from Bow Valley Baptist Church will join the St. Peter's choir and a special brass quartet led by Pastor Bart. Through lessons and carols, we will focus our attention on the incarnation of Jesus as we approach Christmas. This is wonderful event to invite neighbors and friends to, so they may experience the wonderful message of Christmas through the gift of music.

GOOD VIBES MEMORY CHOIR – Every Wednesday from 1:30-3 PM

Whether you or your loved one has memory loss or not, singing in a choir improves brain health. There is NO CHARGE for this choir. This is an opportunity to reach out to people with (or without) dementia and let them know that our church community cares about them and their family members. Rehearsals have already started but we continue to reach out to those who need a special community to belong to, a place where they can be understood. For more information, please go to: www.goodvibesmemorychoir.com OR email Erica at goodvibesmemorychoir@gmail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PAGEANT – December 15, 10:00 AM

We enjoy getting to know one other through our stories. The Sunday School and Pre Sunday School children of St. Peter's are preparing to share some stories with you.

Come. Meet us at the stable.

St. Peter's Sunday School Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 15th at the 10 am Service

GOOD VIBES MEMORY CHOIR CONCERT – December 15, 3 PM at St. Peter’s

Please come and support the Good Vibes Memory Choir in its inaugural concert: *That’s What Friends Are For*. Enjoy songs about friendship from various eras. We know you’ll want to sing along, tap your toes or be taken back to memories of days gone by. No tickets necessary, but donations are welcome. Please invite people you know who are experiencing memory loss. This is a wonderful opportunity to get people connected with a vibrant community of singers and volunteers.

CHRISTMAS KIDS TOONIE GIFT SALE – Clean-up - November 24

Last week’s Toonie fundraiser Kids Helping Kids was a huge success! We want to thank the people who helped make it happen. Thank you, Janet, Parker, Rebecca, Evan, Doreen, Elaine, Gary, Marlene, and Garth. Our kids and youth enjoyed purchasing Christmas presents for family members, and all the money raised was sent to Pastor Benon of Father of Hope Outreach Ministries in Uganda. We raised \$304.75! Pastor Benon used the money to buy materials for a school building construction project. There are still quite a few gifts that were not purchased and we want to sell them today and send any more money raised to Pastor Benon. Please stop by the table in the gateway room (past the bathrooms) and see what gifts are still available.