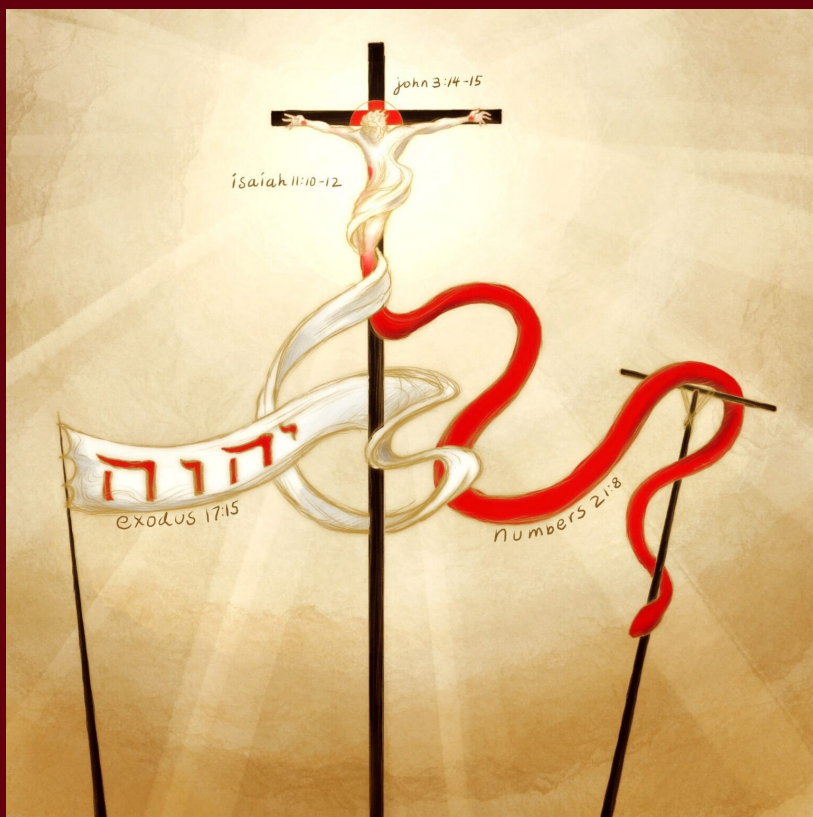




Holy Eucharist

Holy Cross Day



September 14, 2025

Order of Service is followed in the (green) **Book of Alternative Services (BAS)**.

Hymns are found in the (blue) **Book of Common Praise (CP)**.

A baby room is located next to the sound board for those with infants.

A nursery for children ages 1 to 3 is available in the parish hall.

Children ages 4 to grade 5 are invited downstairs for Godly Play.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Welcome

Processional Hymn “Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him” .#420 CP

Greeting p. 185 BAS

Blessing of Children

Praise Song “Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works”#407 CP

Collect p. 422 BAS

Collect for the Stewardship of Creation

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and remembering the account that we must give one day, grant that we may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading (*Tim*)..... Numbers 21:4b-9

Psalm 98:1-6 p. 836 BAS

Second Reading (*Agwalonye*)..... 1 Corinthians 1:18-24

Gradual Hymn “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”.....#386 CP

Gospel Reading..... John 3:13-17

Acclamation: Before—Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After— Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon (*Fr. Cal*)

The Apostles’ Creed p. 189 BAS

Prayers of the People (*Jason*)

Confession and Absolution

In the words of Wendell Berry, “To live, we must daily break the body and shed the blood of Creation. When we do this knowingly, lovingly, skillfully, reverently, it is a sacrament. When we do it ignorantly, greedily, clumsily, destructively, it is a desecration. In such desecration we condemn ourselves to spiritual and moral loneliness, and others to want.” (Wendell Berry *The Gift of Good Land*)

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident that in God there is forgiveness.

**Loving and all-seeing God,
forgive us where we have failed to support one another
and to be what we claim to be.**

**Forgive us where we have failed to serve you;
and where our thoughts and actions have been
contrary to yours, we ask your pardon.**

God forgives us; be at peace. [Silence]

Rejoice and be glad, for Christ is resurrection,
reconciliation for all the human race
And for the whole of creation. Amen.

(Adapted from the New Zealand Prayer Book - Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)

The Peacep. 192 BAS

Brothers and sisters,
Christ calls us to live in unity with each other and with the
whole of Creation

We seek to live in the Spirit of Christ.

The peace of God be with you all.

In God’s justice is our peace.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn “How Deep the Father’s Love For Us”

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss.
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory. (*Repeat verse*)

Behold the man upon the cross,
 My sin upon His shoulders.
 Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
 Call out among the scoffers.
 It was my sin that held Him there
 Until it was accomplished.
 His dying breath has brought me life,
 I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
 No gifts, no power, no wisdom.
 But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
 His death and resurrection.
 Why should I gain from His reward?
 I cannot give an answer.
 But this I know with all my heart:
 His wounds have paid my ransom.

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Prayer over the Gifts..... p. 423

Eucharistic Prayer #3..... p. 198 BAS

The Lord's Prayerp. 211 BAS; music p. 918 BAS

The Breaking of the Bread #3p. 212

Creator of all,
 you gave us golden fields of wheat,
 whose many grains we have gathered
 and made into this one bread.

**So may your Church be gathered
 from the ends of the earth
 into your kingdom.**

The Communion

All who are baptized in any Christian church and seek to follow Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour may receive communion.

- ✦ *To receive the bread, hold out your hands, crossed with palms up.*
- ✦ *The celebrant will place the bread in your hands.*
- ✦ *If you require gluten-free wafers, please indicate at the time of receiving.*
- ✦ *To receive the cup, guide it to your mouth using the base.*
- ✦ *If you prefer not to drink from the cup, bow slightly in reverence.*
- ✦ *If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.*

Songs during Communion: Agnus Dei
By His Wounds
What Wondrous Love is This—#400 CP
Beneath the Cross of Jesus
Lamb of God

Prayer after Communion..... p. 423 BAS
Doxologyp. 214 BAS

SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY

Announcements

Blessing

God the Father, who created the world, give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation. **Amen.**

God the Son, who redeemed the world, inspire you to go out as labourers into his harvest. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole creation, help you to bear his fruits of love, joy and peace. **Amen.**

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

“Let All Things Their Creator Bless”: Liturgy for Use During the Season of Creationtide, Diocese of Guilford, p. 37

Recessional Hymn “Crown Him with Many Crowns”.....#378 CP

The Sending

Tend the earth, care for God’s good creation,
and bring forth the fruits of righteousness.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY LIFE

Sun, Sept 14 at 7:00 p.m.—**Evensong Bells**

Mon, Sept 15 at 1:15 p.m.—**Stitch and Chatter** in the parish hall

Tues, Sept 16 at 8:30 a.m.—**Holy Eucharist** (said BAS, p. 230) in the chapel

Tues, Sept 16 at 9:00 a.m.—**Morning Prayer** on Zoom ([at this link](#))

Wed, Sept 17 at 8:00 a.m.—**Morning Prayer** in the chapel

Thurs, Sept 18 at 9:00 a.m.—**Morning Prayer** in the chapel

Fri, Sept 19 at 11:45 a.m.—**Holy Eucharist** (said BCP) in the chapel

Sun, Sept 21 at 10:30 a.m.—**Holy Eucharist** in the nave with Bishop Helen

Pray for those in need, especially:

Annie and Joel, Bob, Bret, Dani, Deb, Kira, Laura, Margaret, Rev. Marilyn, Myles, Tom, Tracy

*NOTE: To include someone in this list, please contact the Prayer Chain leaders
Linda Aird 692-7221 and Gwen Currie 693-3470, Deacon Arleen, or the church office.*

In prayer we remember our parishioners in care homes:

Carol, Eva, Isabel, Rev. Marilyn, Marjorie, Sheila



Diocesan Prayer Requests

Please include the following in your prayers
September 14 - 20

- ✦ The Most Rev. Lynne McNaughton, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the **Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon**.
- ✦ The Assistant to the Bishop and staff of the **British Columbia Synod**, ELCIC
- ✦ The **Holy Trinity Parish, Kamsack**, within the Diocese of Qu'Appelle.
- ✦ The people and clergy of **Holy Cross, Eston**.
- ✦ Our **companion dioceses of Lichfield and Musinga**
- ✦ Our **ecumenical partners** in the Lutheran, Anglican, Ukrainian Catholic, Roman Catholic Covenant (LAURC)

TWELVE HOURS OF PRAYER (10AM-10PM, SEPT 17)

Our prayer team offers you an **opportunity for concentrated prayer for you or others in need**.

The prayer requests are **confidential** – please request permission to submit the request whenever possible.

For info or to submit, please contact Jacquie (306-631-0202) by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday (Sept 16th) or contact Michelle in the office by then.





Monday September 15 at 1:15 p.m. in the parish hall.

Please join us for a time of stitching and fellowship.

We generally meet on the first and third Monday of the month and welcome all who are interested.

INCUMBENT PRIEST SEARCH UPDATE

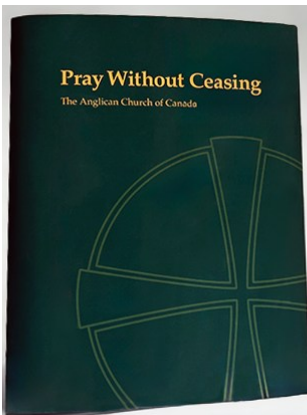
Our search committee is grateful for your ongoing prayers as they discern how to proceed in the wake of our incumbent post closing last month.

Almighty God, who knows the needs of your Church in every place: Look graciously at this time upon the people of this parish of St. Aidan; and give to us a faithful Pastor, who will feed your flock according to your will, and make ready a people acceptable unto yourself; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
(BCP, p. 45, adapted).



If you have any questions, feel free to talk to a member of the Search Committee (Rosalyn, Joel, Ellen, Deacon Arleen, and Stan).

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING – PRAYER BOOK ORDER



The Anglican Church of Canada has compiled a simple prayer book specifically for Morning and Evening Prayer throughout the church seasons. It simplifies from the BAS but requires looking elsewhere for the lessons.

Contact Michelle in the office by Wednesday, Sept 17 to be included in the postage-free order. If 5 people order, the cost decreases by about \$5 (~\$30 to ~\$25+tax).

Also available as PDF (free) or for purchase on Google Play Books, Apple Books, and Kindle.



What: Coffee, snacks and door prizes while you learn about...

- + estate administration,
- + funeral and final expenses,
- + easing family stress at your death,
- + planned giving options

Who: Michael Wall (Aidanite who works for Purple Shield)

When: October 2, 7:00 PM

Where: Parish Hall

Bonus: For each person present,
Purple Shield donates \$20 to St. Aidan.

Registration: staidan.ca/register (or contact the office)



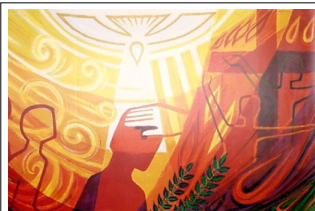
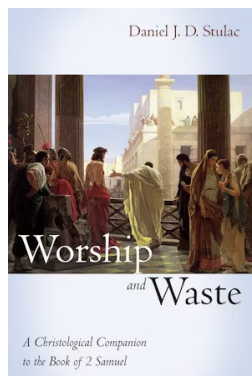
LITTLE BOOKS, BIG IDEAS—October 23

We'll kick off our LBBI season with:

Worship and Waste: A Christological Companion to the Book of 2 Samuel by Daniel Stulac

Worship and Waste invites readers to sink deeply into the Bible's paradoxical portrait of King David—a rapist-murderer caught between God's unconditional love and his own brutality.

See Daniel to purchase a book—\$25.



BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

If you or your children are ready to be baptised, please talk to Fr. Cal or Deacon Arleen to start coordinating dates and preparation.

ANNOUNCEMENT REQUESTS

If you would like to include information in the Thursday email, bulletin, or Sunday spoken announcements, please send the information to the office (office@staidan.ca) by the end of the day Wednesday.



ROOF FUNDRAISING PROJECT

We have raised **over \$38,000** raised toward the parish hall as of the end of July. Thank you!

The remaining ~\$100,000 has been covered by borrowing from our own parish investments. Our vestry would love to be able to pay as much of that back as possible.

The vestry will continue to present the need. Please understand that as invitation, not pressure! We look forward to seeing how God continues to provide.

Note: If you do want to contribute, please label your gift "Roof Fund."



HOPE MINISTRIES

Hope Ministries is seeking to fill the gap of mission service in our city, and hoping to secure a long-term location that will allow them to provide a stable place of services that expand beyond meals.

For more information, talk to Joel Mowchenko (board member) or visit hopemj.ca. To support this ministry, consider the fundraiser below or options on their website.

A Place at the Table

Hope Ministries

JOIN US FOR DINNER AND A DESSERT AUCTION
AS WE GIVE THANKS FOR OUR FIRST YEAR AND
LOOK TOWARDS THE FUTURE



Sept 25, 2025 Doors open 5 PM

Church of Our Lady
566 Vaughn St.
Moose Jaw, SK

Tickets Available Now:

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/a-place-at-the-table>



Cover Image

Exodus 17:15 + Numbers 21:8 + Isaiah 11:10-12 + John 3:14-15, Full of Eyes

<https://www.fullofeyes.com/exodus-1715-numbers-218-isaiah-1110-12-john-314-15/>, [retrieved September 8, 2025].

SERVING IN THE BODY OF CHRIST AT ST. AIDAN

For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us. Romans 12:4-5, NRSV



Every member of St. Aidan is significant. There are a variety of ways for that significance to play out. Our children serve differently than our young adults do and that's different again from the way our elders do.

Some of our ministries require a set process that's carried out through the gifts of each person involved (e.g., greeting, counting offering, Godly Play, music). Some of our ministries can involve more creativity from the people involved (e.g., Stitch and Chatter, parish coffee, retreats).

Some of us participate with the profound gift of presence in our worship services. Some serve through weekly ministries. Some serve in ad hoc or periodic events or ministries.

Today we are inviting you to consider the more structured roles of the parish and if/how you might want to serve.

As you prayerfully consider what your or your children's ministry might involve, here are a few questions you might consider:

- ✦ What kind of service/work/play feels spacious to me?
- ✦ How have I served in the past that brought joy? (What didn't?)
- ✦ What am I drawn to?
- ✦ What have others suggested?
- ✦ What would I like to learn more about or try?

After the service, people will be present throughout the nave and parish hall ready to share about the ministry they're involved in. Feel free to approach them to learn more, discern and/or to sign up (some roles require more vetting).

The ministries marked with an * in the list identify areas where there's particular need.

Structured Ministry Opportunities:

- ✦ Altar Guild* (prepare altar and worship space)
- ✦ Bells
- ✦ Offering Counters*
- ✦ Godly Play* (children's min)
- ✦ Greeters*
- ✦ Hospitality – Events
- ✦ Intercessors
- ✦ Lay Communion Assistants (serve the communion cup)
- ✦ Lectors
- ✦ Library
- ✦ Music
- ✦ Nursery
- ✦ Outreach Lunches (weekend bag lunch program)
- ✦ Parish Coffee*
- ✦ Pastoral Care*
- ✦ Prayer Ministry (prayer chain, healing prayer)
- ✦ Property Care
- ✦ Security
- ✦ Servers (crucifer and torch bearers, assist at the altar)
- ✦ Stitch and Chatter
- ✦ Tech team
- ✦ Youth Ministry (Sunday class, events)

NB: All ministries involving the vulnerable (e.g., children, youth, hospital/care home visits) and finances require a more thorough vetting process and a clear criminal record check.

Other Ministry Opportunities:

Perhaps you have gifting, interest, and/or experience you'd like to offer in an area that's not as easily structured and scheduled. If so, please talk to a member of the clergy (Fr. Cal, Deacon Arleen), a warden (Joel Mowchenko, Rosalyn Poettcker), or parish administrator (Michelle).

MINISTRY SCHEDULE — OCT-JAN (SUBMIT INFO BY SEPT 18)

Please contact Carla or Abigail if you would like to start/stop **ministering** in one of the areas below **and/or** with any **dates for which you are NOT available**: choffmann@briercrest.ca.

Bell Ringer, Greeter, Intercessor, Lay Communion Assistant, Lector, Nursery*, Offering Counter*, Server, Tech.

* Requires clear Criminal Record Check and vetting

If you are interested in ministering in another area (e.g., pastoral care, outreach lunches) please contact the ministry leader, the clergy, or Michelle.



LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Welcome to this place of worship where we acknowledge that Jesus, the Lord of all, has called His Church to be a Church of all nations. With joy and in humility we gather on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional lands of the Cree, Ojibwe, Saulteaux, Dakota, Lakota, Nakoda, and the homeland of the Métis Nation.

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Ellen Redshaw

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Jason Antonio, Abigail Durkee
Jeremy Dyck, Jacque Gibney,
Brad Thorpe

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Rev. Arleen Champion

Postulant

Michelle Josefson

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Josiah

Greeters

Yvonne Mitchell [outside]
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