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EBENEZER
Christian Reformed Church

Restoring all people
to God's living truth
and equipping them
to passionately
live it out!

Good Morning and Welcome to Ebenezer!

We are very glad you have joined us today! Please join us for coffee, tea and juice after the service.

Lord's Day 7

Q & A 21

Q. What is true faith?

A. True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ's merit.

Welcome

Song: How Great is Our God

How Great Thou Art

God's Greeting

Song: We Worship You

Time of Confession

Song: I Sought the Lord

Prayer of Assurance

Song: He Will Hold Me Fast

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Thank Offering: 1 - Ebenezer Ministries

2 - Youth Unlimited

Children's Message

(Children ages 3 - Grade 3 leave for Children's Church)

Scripture: Hebrews 11:1-16

Message: By Faith

Song: By Faith

Parting Blessing

Song: Blessed Assurance

Church Family

Our friendship friend, **Bradley S's** mother was admitted to the Mazankowski Heart Institute this week with heart and kidney failure. She would appreciate visitors. Please keep Bradley, his mom, and the rest of his family in your prayers, asking for healing, comfort and strength.

Please remember in prayer those who are struggling with illness or injury, are recovering from surgery, or who are grieving. We pray God's peace, comfort, and healing for you all.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH TEACHERS - Mark your calendars for the teachers meeting February 7 @7:30 pm!

MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY - On February 4 we will be welcoming a group of new members into our faith family here at Ebenezer. There is still time to be part of this group. If you are interested in becoming a member or if you would like more information, please contact Pastor Jason and he would love to meet with you about membership.

CADET CALENDARS - The Cadets have made a Church Family Birthday and Anniversary Calendar for 2018. This is a fundraiser to help send our cadets to the international Camporees which happen every 3 years. The suggested donation for the calendar is \$15.00-\$20.00. The next Camporee is in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in 2020. The Cadets will collect for the calendar at the back of the church today. There will also be a box on the table in the foyer for anyone who wants to donate later.



Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Today	11:45 am	Junior High Catechism
Monday	7:00 pm	Friendship
Tuesday	7:30 pm	Admin Team Meeting
	7:30 pm	Finance Team Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 am	Coffee Break
	6:45 pm	GEMS
Sunday (Jan 21)	9:15 am	Weekly Prayer Meeting in Library
	10:00 am	Worship Service with Pastor Tim Woods

January 26 & 27 - Weekend Craft Retreat

February 4 - Welcoming New Members & Chili Cook-off

February 7 - Children's Church Teachers Meeting





PARENTING HELP AT TECH TALKS - With an estimated 300 new apps every day, it is hard to stay informed... Let us help! Learn the ever changing language, internet sites, and social media our teens are using and their potential benefits or threats to our families. Free drop-in sessions are held the last Wednesday of each month @ 7pm at the Wetaskiwin Youth Unlimited Centre. The next one will be January 31.

COFFEE BREAK AND SMALL GROUP WORKSHOP - Monday, January 29, 2018 10:00am - 3:00pm, at West End Christian Reformed Church, 10015 - 149 St. Edmonton. Marian Lensink of Coffee Break (CRCNA) will lead this workshop, as we engage scripture together, discuss small group dynamics, leading the Bible study and the practice of prayer. Cost is \$35 to be paid at the workshop. **Anyone involved in a small group of any kind is invited to attend.** Lunch and refreshments are provided. Please register by sending an email to mlensink@crcna.org or contact Diana Vanderwal-Krikke at 780-454-8151. Please register by Jan. 26, 2018.

DEAR CONGREGATION - Thank you for your support and prayers for the work of sharing the Gospel through your gifts of ministry shares this past year. Together we seek opportunities to share the redemption story of Jesus Christ to our neighbourhoods, our country, and all over the globe. Thank you for partnering with BTGMI as an extension of your work. To see how you are impacting lives for Jesus, in 10 global languages, check out www.backtogod.net and explore the world!

Deacon's Corner

1st Offering - EBENEZER MINISTRIES - This offering is used to cover the day-to-day expenses of the church, fund the various ministries at Ebenezer, cover the salaries of staff, and contributes to the ministry shares that we are committed to as members of Classis Alberta North and the CRC Denomination.

2nd Offering - YOUTH UNLIMITED - Youth Unlimited is a non-denominational, non-profit ministry organization with the focus of assisting the Church and its many local congregations with their ministry to our youth. We strongly believe that the local church is the tool God longs to use to reveal Himself to this world. We know that taking the call of ministering to youth today is not easy or for the faint of heart. Therefore, we are blessed by encouraging, supporting, equipping and partnering with congregations across North America to reach this generation for Jesus Christ! Youth Unlimited is one of three ministries incorporated in an organization called Dynamic Youth Ministries. GEMS Girls' Club is a ministry for young girls and Cadets is the companion ministry for boys. Youth Unlimited is the co-ed ministry for high school youth.. For more info see www.youthunlimited.org.

Next Week - FREE A FAMILY - A division of World Renew that helps families overcome poverty through community programs in agriculture, health, nutrition, literacy, and more! You can sponsor a family on a monthly basis or give a one time donation. For more info see worldrenew.net/faf

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS - JANUARY 9, 2018 MEETING

Dear Congregation, with our new executive firmly in place, we have resumed full council meetings (elders and deacons) at every meeting. What a privilege to share insights and gain knowledge from each other as office bearers!

We have begun deliberations and actions towards developing a new vision for our church. It's been quite some time since our last one was developed and based on the survey completed at the beginning of our search for a new pastor (2015-2016), the feedback indicated that there was a strong congregational desire to revisit our vision statement. Rest assured, your further input will be sought and highly valued when the time comes.

We, as a council, are encouraged by the high numbers of people who have completed their Safe Church requirements. We are hoping that you will feel the support of all of council in ensuring that we provide our members and visitors the most thorough and sensitive support by completing this training and the checks that go along with it as council is wholly committed to this. We encourage you to speak to one of us if you have any questions about it.

As we come towards the spring, we will be prayerfully considering nominees for the position of elder. Pastor Jason has provided council with guidelines for the office of elder using the Bible as a guide. If you feel called to serve (maybe even before we ask you!), please feel free to speak to one of the elders to indicate your willingness to serve. Delegates to Classis meetings have been chosen and council will also be submitting an elder to Classis as a nominee to Synod (June 7-14 in Grand Rapids, Michigan).

Please remember both the elders and deacons in your prayers as we begin plans for more deliberate home visits. We look forward to hearing more about your lives, your families and your faith walk!

As always, please come to one of us if you have any questions, concerns or joys that you would like to share.

I am confident that I speak truthfully when I say we are glad to serve the Lord with our time in the leadership of this church. Blessings to you, today and through the coming week!

In His Service, Grace B - clerk

ATTENTION ALL CRAFTERS! - We will be holding our next crafting retreat starting at 4:00 pm on Friday, October 27th and running until 4:00 pm on Saturday, October 28th. Please join us for a fun-filled time working on your favorite craft projects. We will have a soup and buns supper on Friday night and a potluck lunch on Saturday (please bring along an item for the potluck lunch). Please remember to bring along your extension cords and all your crafting supplies. Large cutting mats and irons/ironing boards will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Jan W, Wendy T, or Freda MO



Kid's Sermon Notes

by _____

What was your favourite song?



Who is preaching?

What is the main Bible passage?

Book:

Chapter:

Verse:



Draw a picture of something you heard today, either from a song or from the sermon.

What Can we learn from this passage?

What would you like to pray about?



List some words you heard but don't understand:



BENEFIT FOR LIFE BANQUET - You're invited to attend Alberta's 6th annual Benefit for Life Banquet in Edmonton on April 7th, 2018 at 4:30pm. Join us to learn how you can Create History with The Wilberforce Project (previously Alberta Pro-Life) as we share our plan to create Canada's First Abortion Law. RSVP by calling 587-806-5112 or email admin@twp.life to reserve your FREE seat.

BRIAN DOERKSEN IN CONCERT - The Juno and Dove Award winning Christian singer/songwriter Brian Doerksen is coming to Edmonton! Doerksen penned many of the most well-loved contemporary songs sung in our churches today including "Hope of the Nations," "Refiner's Fire," "Faithful One," and many others. Hear Brian Doerksen in concert alongside The King's University Choirs and A Call to Worship band for a powerful night of uplifting contemporary praise and worship! Tickets can be purchased at tixonthesquare.ca. The concert is Saturday, January 20 at 7 p.m. at South Pointe Community Centre.

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MILLWOODS FRIENDSHIP CENTRE - MFC ministers to immigrant people who need English skills to survive in Canada. We have a great opportunity for people wanting to do hospitality in the kitchen one or two days a week and for those who want to help in an ESL class one to three days a week. Our timing is Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 1 to 3 PM. The address is Millbourne Community Life Centre, 2101 Millbourne Road West NW, Edmonton. Contact Paul at chuggpaul@hotmail.com or 780-719-1934.



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YOU'RE PLANNING ON BEING HERE A WHILE, AREN'T YOU?

Thank You to Our Volunteers

Ushers: Dennis V, Tim C, Bev C

Next Week: John T, Howard O, Ted K

Greeters: Luke & Alyse K

Next Week: Tim & Bev C

Coffee Duties: Michelle O, Warren & Carrie T, Dennis & Ineke V

Next Week: Barry & Kelly H, Jon & Janna P, Jason & Yoka T

Worship Team: Grace & Team

Next Week: Marianne & Team

Projection & Audio: Jamie & Matt

Next Week: Nicole & Mike

Serving Elder: Frank V

Next Week: Pete V

Nursery: Supervisor - Kelly H

Next Week: Supervisor - Janette G

Infants: Natasha D, Gea T, Anke K

Infants: Janette G, Kendra F, Petro K

Toddlers: Jon P, Julie S, Kaitlyn M

Toddlers: Sadie H, Dale H, Wikus K

