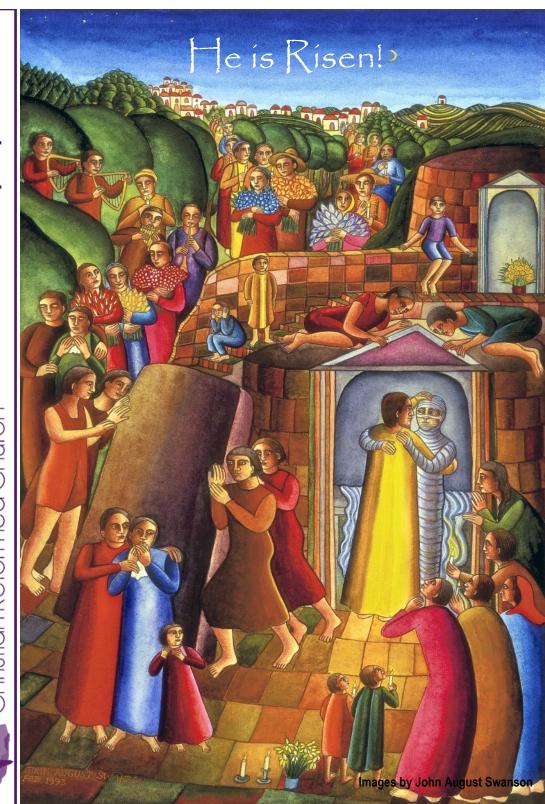


Restoring all people to God's living truth and equipping them to passionately live it out!

April Sunday, Easter



# Good Morning and Welcome to Ebenezer!

Good morning and welcome to our Easter celebration at Ebenezer! Think back to the morning when some of Jesus's followers came to the tomb where Jesus was buried. They expected to find his lifeless body but instead they encountered an angel with a very special message about the empty tomb. This morning we're going to think together about how that message of the empty tomb continues to impact us today.

Lord's Day 17

045. How does

Christ's resurrection

benefit us?

A. First, by his

resurrection he has

overcome death.

so that he might make

us share in the

righteousness he won

for us by his death.

Second, by his power we too are already now

resurrected to a

new life.

Third, Christ's

resurrection is a

guarantee of our

glorious resurrection.

#### Song: O Praise the Name Agnus Dei

Welcome

God's Greeting

Worship Reading

Song: Come People of the Risen King

Easter Reading

Song: O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Prayer of Assurance

Song: I am Persuaded

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Thank Offering: 1 - Ebenezer Ministries

2 - Resonate Global Mission

#### Children's Message

(No Children's Church today! Happy Easter!)

Song: Low in the Grave He Lay

Scripture Reading: Mark 16:1-8

Message: "He Is Not Here. He Is Risen!"

Song: I Serve a Risen Savior

Closing Blessing

Song: Lion of Judah

Please join us for coffee, tea and juice after the service!

### Church Family

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

WIDOWED LUNCH BUNCH - will be held at the home of Luke & Alyse K April 8 at 12:30 pm. We welcome everyone who is widowed.

DAYS FOR GIRLS - On Tuesday, April 17 @9am we will be having a prep day to get materials ready for the work bee. Our next work bee is June 2, 2018. Please let Linda H know if you can help on the prep day and contact her if you have any questions!



SENIOR'S PARKING - Please remember that parking along the sidewalk to the north and close to the handicap parking stalls is for those with walking difficulties. We have several seniors over 80 years of age and other members that need these spaces reserved. Thank you for your help with this!



GARAGE SALE FUNDRAISER - is in the works for May 16 - 20. As you go through your spring cleaning, keep in mind to save some things for this sale! If you are interested in helping set up, work, or clean up, please contact Bea M. Thank you!

**NEW CONTACT INFO** - Elizabeth D no longer has a land line, so if you need to get hold of her please call her cell phone which is listed in the newest directory!

CHILDREN'S CHURCH ASSISTANT NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER - We are looking for someone to assist our Children's Church Director starting September with the intent of becoming the Director for 2019-2020. This will only be a two year commitment. The program we have been using the last years is well established and easy to follow. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this position. If you have questions please contact Alice (T) V or Carrie

GEMS CRAFT ANNOUNCEMENT - The GEMS Counsellors are hosting one more craft afternoon with Handy by Design. This will be the last one with Julia as she and her husband are going to be moving to BC. She has done such a great job on these events, we will miss working with her! The craft afternoon will be held here on April 7th at 2:00. We hope you can come and you are welcome to bring a friend! There is one option that is available for anyone over age 10, for the other options we ask that the participants are over 16. Take a look at the table in the foyer with the craft options and fill out a registration form. Thanks!





**COVENANT MARKETPLACE - We at Covenant Christian** School would like to invite you and your congregation to come and attend our Family Marketplace and Fundraising Auction on April 28th from 10am to 4pm. This event truly is FLIN for all ages April 28th from 10am to 4pm. This event truly is FUN for all ages. There will be carnival games, bouncy houses, yummy treats,

and face painting for the children! The wonderful boutiques, coffee shoppe and bakery are sure to interest the adults. Stay and enjoy lunch at our Bistro and take in the live and silent auction! This is the largest fundraiser for Covenant Christian School. We appreciate your support!

**EDMONTON NATIVE HEALING CENTRE** - We invite you to join us for "FUN" draising. This year we will be having fun with a 4 HOUR DANCE-A-THON!!The dance-a-thon will include ZUMBA, retrofit (aerobics style!) pow wow fit, some line dancing and of course, MORE ZUMBA!!!!!! Our goal is \$10,000 in support of the programming we continue to offer in creating a vibrant community. Participate as an individual, or create a team registration is \$50 per participant OR if you collect minimum of \$150, the registration fee will be waived! To register or sponsor: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/edmonton-native-healing-centre-society/p2p/ danceathon/ Check out www.e-nhc.ora for all the information Hiv, Hiv!

#### 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.

2<sup>nd</sup> Offering - RESONATE GLOBAL MISSION - Formed by the joining of Christian Reformed Home Missions and Christian Reformed World Missions, Resonate Global Mission trains missional leaders, guides new churches, and forges partnerships to proclaim and live out the good news of Jesus Christ worldwide. Resonate will build on the good work of Home Missions and World Missions, introducing people to Christ in North America and around the world. That means continuing partnerships with churches in the United Sates and Canada to plant churches, do campus ministry, train and equip pastors, and develop future leaders. Additionally, it means sending missionaries overseas, proclaiming the Gospel, and forging lasting partnerships to help people in every nation discover God's plan for their church, community and life. For more information see resonateglobalmission.org

Next Week - THE LEDUC REGIONAL HUB - We are intended to be a connector between services and the community. Leduc Regional HUB staff and volunteers provide referral information to persons seeking community, social, health, and government services. Clients are supported with accessing local services without having to search for and identify what is available locally. Leduc Regional HUB works together with non-profit organizations, religious organizations, government agencies and social businesses in the greater Leduc area to better coordinate, reach, and serve people, and identify gaps in service. The Leduc Regional HUB is housed within the Leduc Legion in Leduc. For more info see Irhub.org

### Coming Up @ Ebenezer

7:00 pm Friendship Monday 7:30 pm Youth Tuesday

10:00 am Coffee Break and Story Hour Wednesday

> 6:45 pm **GEMS**

Saturday **GEMS Craft Fundraiser** 2:00 pm

Sunday (Apr 8) Weekly Prayer Meeting in Library 9:15 am

> 10:00 am Worship Service

April 10 - Leduc Music Festival

**April 13 -** Classis Conference Prep

April 14 - Classis Conference

April 15 - Soup & Buns & Board

Games after the Service

**April 20-21 -** Craft Retreat

**April 22 -** GEMS Sunday

April 24 - Meal Making Day

April 29 - Friendship Sunday

# Opportunities to Serve

CLASSIS CONFERENCE PREPAREING AND SERVING LUNCH - Lunch Prep - Friday, April 13: Prepping for lunch that we will be serving the next day. Friday, April 14: Serving lunch and *Cleanup*. Classis has budgeted payment for serving lunch, so these lunches have become somewhat of a fundraiser. Please let us know you can help on either or both of these days by signing-up on the sheet on the bulletin board by the mailboxes, thank you!

IMEAL MAKING DAY - Tuesday, April 24: The meals we make on Meal Making days are distributed to people in our congregation and community to help bless them in difficult times or as an extension of love from the church family, they are always appreciated! Please let us know you can help by signing-up on the sheet on the bulletin board by the mailboxes, thank lacksquareyou!

SUMMER SIGN UP TO TEACH 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS - Children's Church for 3 & 4 year olds



runs all year round! We are asking parents, grandparents, (Aunts, Uncles, Friends) to sign up to teach over the summer. A sign-up sheet in on the table in • the foyer so you can sign up for the weeks that work best for you! All teaching curriculum and materials are provided. Safe Church approval is required and there will be training offered in June. Thank you for serving and living out our baptismal commitments to these precious little ones in our church family!

 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - VBS is coming just around the corner and the VBS team is looking for an individual to apprentice this year for VBS and then lead for the 2019 year. It is a 2 year commitment. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this position and if you have any questions please talk to Kelly L or Christine H. Thank you!

#### Community & Denominational Announcements

**THANK YOU!** - The Board of Rehoboth Christian Ministries wishes to thank those persons that contributed to the Annual Membership Campaign. Memberships and donations in total of \$1335.00 was collected. A special thanks to Margaret TeVelde who collected on behalf of Rehoboth. THANK YOU for helping Rehoboth "Make Room" for individuals who live with disabilities; allowing them to Flourish.

**CLASSIS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS** - Highlights form the March 14-15 Classis meeting in Red Deer are printed and pinned to the bulletin board by the mailboxes.

**GET YOUR TICKETS** - Join the Mob at Trinity Christian Reformed Church for the Mosaic Centre's ROARING '20s Dinner and Auction Saturday April 21st @ 5:00 pm. \$60/each. Visit: mosaicauction.eventbrite.com or/RSVP to the Mosaic Centre at 780.722.3247

**WONDROUS SPRING, MAJESTIC KING** – April 7, 2018, 7 p.m. Christian Male Choir spring concert @ Trinity CRC in Edmonton. Performances by Concordia Community Band, Mighty Power Singers, Elsie Hoover and more. Tickets \$15 available from performers and at the door. Children 14 & under free. Coffee and fellowship after the concert. For more information, email ecmchoir@gmail.com or follow us on Facebook.

**JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR** - Registration opens online on April 1-30 for children entering grade 3 through grade 8 this fall. Registration forms and info about the choir is at www.joyfulnoisechoir.ca. This year, the choir is celebrating its 40th anniversary of joint ministry with Rehoboth in November. The choral program offers children an opportunity to develop and use their gift of music in service as ambassadors for those who have developmental disabilities. For further information contact Rein Selles at rein.selles@gmail.com or call 780-458-0698.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITY** - Summer Employment, Member Service Representative, Christian Credit Union, Edmonton. We are currently seeking a dynamic, service orientated individual to join our team in the capacity of a Member Service Representative for the summer months; May 1- August 31. As a Member Service Representative 1 (MSR), you are part of a dynamic retail branch team. Your job is to make everyone feel welcomed from the moment they enter our Edmonton Branch and assist them with their day to day banking needs. For more information, visit https://www.christiancu.ca/careers

**KING'S UNIVERSITY CHOIRS -** Netherlands Choir Tour Kickoff Concert - Held April 29 at First Presbyterian Church at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: adults \$20, seniors and non-King's students \$15, King's alumni and children under 12 \$5, Free for current King's students (provide ID)

**2018 EAGLES SUMMER VOLLEYBALL CAMPS** - Registration is open! Sign up volleyball for boys and girls, with camps ranging from ages 9 to 17. The camps are co-hosted by The King's University and Strathcona Christian Academy Secondary (located in Sherwood Park) and run between August 27 and 30. For more information and to register, go to kingsu.ca.

**GET THE FREE BANNER APP!** - For real-time access to all the latest news and articles. Available for iPhone and Android at your app store. Search for "CRCNA Banner". Visit thebanner.org/ for more info.

SCIENCE & CHRISTIANITY CONFERENCE - May 11 - 14, Trinity Western University, Langley, BC. TWU and the Canadian Scientific and Christian Affiliation are holding a conference on Science & Christianity in Canada. Keynote speakers include Santa Ono (UBC President), Robert Mann (Physics & Theology), Dennis Danielson (author, Book of the Cosmos), and Richard Middleton (Biblical Exegesis & Origins). Talks on artificial intelligence, creation care, origins, and more! Saturday evening's "Sky Gala" is open to the public (skygala.com) and features renowned climate scientist Katharine Hayhoe (Texas Tech) and a cosmos-themed concert by Janet Danielson (SFU). Scholarships available to cover student attendance & travel. Registration includes meals. Early-bird rates end March 31. (Those also attending the Regent College Pastors' Conference in May receive 25% off for both conferences.) Questions: Mark McEwan, pdo@csca.ca | Info & Registration: csca.ca/may2018

**THE MIRACLE OF EASTER -** Have you ever wondered what it would be like to meet Jesus? Or to be in Jerusalem the very week Jesus was crucified and raised from the dead? You're invited to explore the miracle of Easter on this week's Kids Corner. Subscribe for free at

getkidscorner.com. Find more great resources for kids and parents at www.kidscorner.net. This month's offer includes an Easter story puppet show craft.

WITNESS TO THE RISEN CHRIST - Hallelujah! Christ is Risen! Now what does he desire from us? Join Groundwork as we study an interaction between Peter and the resurrected Jesus in John 21 to learn one more lesson about grace and forgiveness, and hear his call to earnestly bear witness to Jesus Christ and his saving work in our lives. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com



#### Thank You to Our Volunteers

<u>Ushers</u>: Dennis V, Tim C, Bev C **Next Week:** John T, Howard O, Ted K

Greeters: Jason & Yoka T Next Week: John & Joyce D

Coffee Duties: Nathan V, Barry & Kelly H, Rudy & Karen G

Next Week: Tina R, Jon & Rikki L, Jan & Maricha K

<u>Worship Team</u>: Grace & Team

Next Week: Alice & Team

<u>Projection & Audio</u>: Jamie & Matt Next Week: Wes & Pete

<u>Serving Elder</u>: Herman B Next Week: Norm H

**Nursery: Supervisor** - Linda K

Tod: Colin B, Charlene V, Owen V Inf: Linda K, Kelly L, Beth H, Kaija M

Next Week: Supervisor - Natasha D

Tod: Julie S, Brett L, Roy V Inf: Natasha D, Teena V, Naomi G