



Ministry Information & Contacts

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EBENEZER
Christian Reformed Church

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

Welcome to Ebenezer!

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer. Today we celebrate the baptism of Jaden Kyle Tolsma. As we do so, we are reminded that that God is both the creator and owner of everything in all of creation and He has entrusted us with the joyful task of stewarding His possessions. Parents are not the owners of their children but the caretakers of them. May each one of us learn to be generous with the things God has given to our care.

Lord's Day 42

Q 111. What does God require of you in this commandment?

A. That I do whatever I can for my neighbor's good, that I treat others as I would like them to treat me, and that I work faithfully so that I may share with those in need.

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after the service for coffee, tea and juice.

Welcome & Prayer

Song: You are worthy of my Praise

Lord Most High

God's Greeting

Song: Be Unto your Name

Time of Confession & Assurance

Song: Hear our Prayer O Lord

Baptism of Jaden Kyle T

Song: I am Persuaded

Announcements & Congregational Prayer

Thank Offering:

1 - Ebenezer Ministries

2 - Bible League

(Children age 3 & 4 leave for Children's Church)

Scripture: Deuteronomy 5:19

Catechism: Q & A 111

Sermon: Stewarding God's Possessions

Song: Jesus, All for Jesus

Parting Blessing

Song: My Friends may you Grow in Grace

Church Family

Congratulation to **Jenny V** who celebrates her 89th birthday on August 17 and to **Gresham & Deborah V** who celebrate their 5th Anniversary on August 17! We rejoice with you and your families in these special milestones!

Our Christian condolences go out to the **H family** as Darren's father passed away this past week. We pray that God surrounds you and your family with His comfort and peace.

Congratulations to **Melody & Jovin C** who were united in marriage yesterday, August 11. We wish you God's blessings as you build your lives together.

Rachel R daughter of Rich D, after being in a coma and undergoing brain surgery during the course of the past months, has given birth to a healthy baby boy. Rachel is doing well and continues to improve daily. Once her condition is sufficiently stable she will be able to relocate from Bangkok to North America for further recovery. Praise God! Please continue to pray for this situation.

We continue to remember others who are struggling with physical or emotional difficulties. We pray that God will provide you all with peace, comfort and healing.



ASSISTANT NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER - September is quickly approaching and we are looking for someone to assist our Children's Director starting in September. If you have questions please contact Carrie T

UPDATE FROM THE STRYDHORSTS: Dear Friends, Warm greetings! If this sounds like a similar announcement as a month ago, it is. Next Saturday, Aug 18, our daughter Jessica will be getting married to Ian Friesen in Emo, Ontario. Ian grew up in Emo, the same hometown as Carolyn, though Jessica only met him while tree-planting in the area in 2014. They plan to live in Thunder Bay after getting married. Thanks for your prayers for the wedding. We're looking forward to a wonderful celebration! Albert and Carolyn .

INVITATION TO VOLUNTEER! - Hello Congregation! When have you ever known a Sunday bulletin without an opportunity to volunteer... well, this Sunday is no different! As you may be aware, we received feedback through our Search Committee process that our Church Vision was open for review. In response, council has embarked on a process to review and potentially renew our church's vision. At our recent council retreat, the elders were led through several activities which broadened our perspective and also caused us pause for much thought. At this time, council is extending an invitation for volunteers to participate in a workshop and provide feedback to council on the preliminary visioning work. If you feel that this is an area of interest and perhaps skill and passion, please reply to Grace B - clerk@ebenezerCRC.com or Gord W - gord.winkel@ualberta.ca . This will require an initial commitment of approximately 2 hours where we engage in a review of the visioning process and results from the council retreat. We're looking forward to hearing from you...

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS - The church office will be open 9 am - 1 pm Tuesdays - Fridays through July and August. The bulletin deadline will be 9 am Thursdays.

REQUEST FOR FLOWER POTS: We are looking for hanging flower pots or other pots that are emptied this fall. We would like to fill them with plants in the spring and sell them at the garage sale. If you have questions or for more information, call Evelyn V or Bea M.



SOCCER ANYONE? - There are soccer balls and pylons available at the exit by the classrooms for anyone interested in playing soccer outside after church during coffeetime. Please bring them back into the church afterwards. Thank you!



CLASSROOMS Beautiful new cupboards have been installed in the classrooms. Some of the old cupboards can go. If anyone is interested in them please contact the church office as soon as possible.

WORK BEE: There is a work bee planned for Thursday, August 16 at 1:00 . If you are involved in any of the church ministries that use the classrooms and have material in the old cupboards, you are welcome to come and organize or re-organize to be ready for the new ministry season.

PHOTO DIRECTORY - If you haven't had your photo taken for the upcoming directory, please submit a photo to the church office asap. Thank you!

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday (August 12) 9:15 am Weekly Prayer Meeting in Library

10:00 am Worship Service

Thursday (August 16) 1:00 pm Classroom Work Bee

FOOD BANK GARDENS: The Harvest has started! In the past few weeks we harvested 59lbs of potatoes, 139.5 lbs of squash and 8lbs of assorted vegetables! The Foodbank has appreciated the bountiful donations! Thank you to everyone that has helped out in the garden this year. If you have some free time and would like to help with the harvest (eg. digging potatoes, picking bean, peas, carrots, kale, squash etc) the gardening team would appreciate it. Contact Dennis P, Jen F or Carolyn D.

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 - BIBLE LEAGUE We partner with Christian Ministry Organizations to reach people in over 40 countries worldwide. This work falls into four categories of programs: Children's Ministry, Starting New Churches, Adult Bible-Based Literacy, and work within the Persecuted Church. We equip local champions to bring God's Word to people living in spiritual and physical poverty. The power of the Holy Spirit is working to transform communities, and even entire nations, from the inside out.

Next Week - PASTOR CHURCH RESOURCES: Pastor Church Resources supports congregations and their leaders in times of transition and discernment by providing consultations and resources that foster personal and communal health. For more information see <https://www.crcna.org/pastor-church-resources>.

LOST & FOUND: A silver watch was found in the church. If you think it might be yours, please call the office to make arrangements to pick it up.

SUPER EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION FOR THE DOE (Day of Encouragement) is back! For the month of August, the first 40 people to register for the 2018 DOE will be able to register at the discounted rate of \$40. For more information go to www.classisalberta.ca/nadc. More information can be found on the classis website: www.classisalberta.ca/nadc.

HELP IS ONLY A CALL, CLICK, OR CHAT AWAY - We're making it easier for you and your church to access CRC resources. If you're involved in a church ministry and wonder if your denomination can help with something, just CALL (800-272-5125), CLICK (www.crcna.org/Resources), or CHAT (from any page on www.crcna.org). We're here to serve, and would love to connect you with people and resources to support your ministry.

REHOBOTH is excited to share with you our new and improved corporate page on Facebook! Organizational updates, news and information regarding the disability sector will be posted. Please log on, "Like" us and share so your friends can do the same! <https://www.facebook.com/Rehoboth-Christian-Ministries-339247416224894/>

THE ROAD TO CHARACTER - This fall, the Redeemer Centre for Christian Scholarship welcomes to campus David Brooks and Anne Snyder, two distinguished speakers and thinkers contributing to faith in our public life. Join them to explore lives of learning that aren't just about "getting there" but about who we'll be when we arrive. All events are free to the public. Learn more at: redeemer.ca/road-to-character

SHRED FEST - MEMBER APPRECIATION EVENT! Please join us on Saturday, Sept. 8, from 8:30 am to 11 am. Enjoy FREE paper shredding, Dutch pancakes (Poffertjes), activities and prizes. Guests are welcome! Where: Christian Credit Union – Edmonton Branch, 13504-142 Street NW www.christiancu.ca

CALLED TO LIFE - Join ALIES and The Back Porch at Called to Life on Friday, September 21 at the Edmonton Inn and Conference Centre. For more information, see the poster on the bulletin board.

TOUR THE BIBLICAL LANDS OF ISRAEL - March 11- 22, 2019. For complete information, cost, and registration, go to website: toursofisrael.wordpress.com or call Peter Tuininga: 1 289 877-8433 or e-mail: peter.tuininga@gmail.com.

DISCOVER CAMBODIA WITH WORLD RENEW: - Join World Renew staff person, Kathleen Lauder, on November 1 - 11, 2018, to discover firsthand how God is at work in Cambodia through World Renew. Space is limited, so secure your spot on this exciting tour by registering before July 15, 2018. For more information or to register, email globalvolunteer@worldrenew.net.

Financial Update for May, June & July	This Month	Year to Date
May:		
Ebenezer Ministries	\$27,648.75	\$140,228.85
Back to God Ministries	984.75	984.75
Bethel Church Plant	1,394.04	1,394.04
EduDeo	893.35	893.35
Debt Reduction	830.00	3,890.00
Ministry Shares	50.00	200.00
Rehoboth	1,002.85	1,002.85
World Renew: Disaster Relief	50.00	250.00
June:		
Ebenezer Ministries	\$31,356.82	\$171,585.67
Aboriginal Ministries	1,312.05	1,312.05
Debt Reduction	630.00	4,520.00
Ministry Shares	50.00	250.00
Social Justice	725.60	725.60
World Renew: Disaster Relief	1,204.00	1,454.00
Youth Unlimited- Wetaskiwin	625.20	625.20
July:		
Ebenezer Ministries	\$30,282.75	\$201,868.42
Citizens for Public Justice	812.40	812.40
Debt Reduction	860.00	5,380.00
Days for Girls	890.80	890.80
Ministry Shares	50.00	300.00
Missionaries	1,245.40	1,245.40
RiseUp Society	908.00	908.00
World Renew: Disaster Relief	50.00	1,504.00

Community & Denominational Announcements

CHOOSING HOPE IN SUFFERING - When we have every right to lament and despair, what is the source for our continued hope? Join Groundwork as we listen to Job's laments in chapters 13-21 and find out what he declares is the source of his continued hope at a time when it seems all hope is lost. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

THE SCALES OF A CHEAT - Liz is getting all A's on his tests which is unusual, but not as unusual as Skink who also is getting A's. What is Skink's secret? Subscribe for free at getkidscorner.com. At www.kidscorner.net, download the new free resource Power Tools: Taking a Stand Against Bullying.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: PROGRAM MANAGER, DIRECT MARKETING - World Renew has an opportunity for you! World Renew, an agency of the Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA), has a full time opening for a Program Manager, Direct Marketing within our Constituency Relations (CORE) team. This position will be based in the Burlington, Ontario office and will be responsible for leading the direct marketing program at World Renew. For more information, or to apply, please visit www.worldrenew.net/careers!

Thank You to Our Volunteers

Ushers: Bev C, Tim C

Next Week: Ted K, Howard O

Greeters: John & Wendy T

Next Week: Roy & Teena V

Coffee Duties: Chad & Raquel D, Roger & Barb G, Anthony K

Next Week: Gresham & Deborah V, Henk & Mennie S, Rob & Julie S

Worship Team: Jordan & Team

Next Week: Marianne & Team

Projection & Audio: Ted & Dan

Next Week: Nicole & Mike

Serving Elder: Herman B

Next Week: Jordan S

Nursery: Supervisor - Janette G

Inf: Janette G, Francine K, Mercedes L

Tod: Kelly L, Linda T, Kierra M

Next Week: Supervisor - Glen H

Inf: Glen H, Gea T, Bethany G

Tod: Derrick M, Beth H, Julie B

Children's Church:

3 year olds: Bethany G & Sam G

Next Week: Kara B & Colin B

4 year olds: Kim M,

Next Week: Tammy M & Emily M

