

EASTER



Joining in His
Victory

April 16, 2017

EBENEZER CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

HE IS RISEN!! HE IS RISEN INDEED!!

Welcome and Prayer

**Songs: *Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna*
*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks***

Greeting - Response: "Christ has risen: He is risen indeed"

Special Music by Choir: *He Is Alive*

Easter Hymn

Song: *I Know that my Redeemer Lives*

Easter confession and assurance

Song: *I Am Persuaded*

Song by Children's Church: *Low in the Grave He Lay*

(Children go back to sit with parents as there is no Children's Church today)

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Thank Offering: **1 - Ebenezer Ministries**

2 - CRC Home Missions

Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading: **The Gospels**

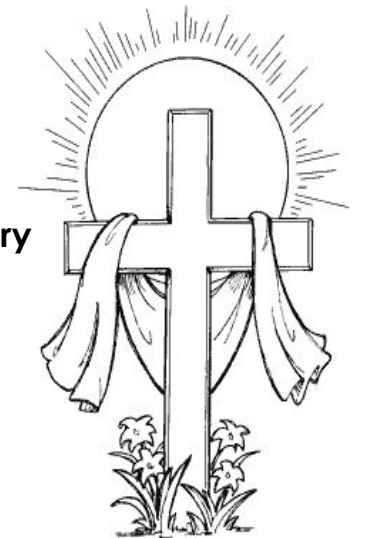
Message: **The Most Important Week In History**

Prayer of Application

Song: *See, What a Morning*

Parting Blessing

Closing Song: *Praise Anthem*



Church Family

Thank you for the prayers and cards before and since Mom's passing. A special thanks to those that helped with set up and those that helped prepare the lunch the day of her funeral. We feel very supported and encouraged by our church family.

-From Harold & Leona H and family and the P Family

Thanks to those who supported me by text, e-mail, phone call, card or visit while I was convalescing. You were a wonderful source of strength and encouragement. Thank You!


-Grace D


Consistory has received and approved the transfer of membership papers for the following people: **Jay & Francine K, James H, Gresham V**. While some of you have been worshipping with us for some time, we want to officially welcome you into our fellowship. We pray that our time together will be blessed with good fellowship, a sharing of our common faith and growth in our walk with the Lord. Welcome to the family! We are glad that you have come!

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

CHILDREN'S CHURCH - There will be no Children's Church classes today as it is Easter Sunday. Thank you!

A NOTE FROM CONSISTORY - Jim T has served faithfully as our Elder of Administration for the past year. During this time, he worked hard to help provide us with a responsible budget for the current fiscal year as well as providing effective oversight to our Administration Committee. It has been a joy having Jim on consistory. As per Jim's request, consistory is releasing him early from his term as office-bearer.

 **COME JOIN US FOR CELEBRATE LIFE!** - All-Church musical... "proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus through Matthew, Mark, Luke & John." This is a great way to celebrate the culmination of Lent and Easter by sharing the life of Jesus in word and in song! The music is singable and memorable. The Gospel will be imprinted on your heart like never before. Join us at Ebenezer on Sunday, April 23 @ 7pm

 **APRIL 22ND: GET READY TO RACE!** - Get your Kub Kars cut out, sanded and up to weight for the big Cadets/GEMS Kub Kar Classic next Saturday, April 22nd! Registration opens at 9:30 am, races start at 10:00 am. GEMS Counselors will be providing a concession as a fund raiser to help off set the costs to go to the Annual Counselor 's Convention at Dordt College in July. We will be racing "Beaver Buggies" this year for the youngest racers to make! The Buggies don't require extra weight or work - just use felt markers and/or paint and hot glue, and you're done! See Scott if you need a Kub Kar or Beaver Buggy; \$4.00 each, and so much fun!

ROCKING CHAIR NEEDED - We are looking for a comfy rocking chair for the mothers' room. It seems to be a busy place these days and we would like to add another seat! Please contact the church office if you have one to donate, thank you.

LANDSCAPING TEAM - is wondering if anyone has a 10x10 or bigger shed to donate for the garden equipment, or if someone would like to build one to donate. Please contact Dick D or Dennis P if you can help with this, thank you.

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!



CRAFTING RETREAT - We will be holding our last crafting retreat of the season on Friday, May 5th starting at 4:00 pm until Saturday, May 6th at 4:00 pm. Please join us in the church fellowship hall 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 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 feel free to contact Freda MO.

MISSING ITEM - a Ladies' black sweater (from Rikki's) went missing after the funeral on March 24. It was left in the kitchen pantry. If anyone might have taken it by mistake could you please return it to the church, thank you!

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 - HOME MISSIONS - Next week, Easter Sunday, we will be collecting an offering for Christian Reformed Home Missions. In this coming week, consider how ministry taking place in your own community makes a difference in your life. Prayerfully consider supporting Home Missions as they spread the Gospel through starting churches, engaging communities, and developing disciples.

Next Week - FRIENDSHIP MINISTRIES - The mission of Friendship ministries is to share God's love with people who have intellectual disabilities and to enable them to become an active part of God's family. Their ministry is international, inter-denominational, and 30 years old. They have helped equip churches from more than 75 denominations in 28 countries around the world to include people with intellectual disabilities. For more info see friendship.org

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Tuesday	6:00 pm	Celebrate! Musical Practice
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Cadets
Friday	7:00 pm	Good Friday Service
Saturday	9:30 am	KubKar Races
Sunday(Apr 23)	9:15 am	Weekly Prayer Meeting
	10:00 am	Friendship Sunday Service
	7:00 pm	<i>Celebrate Life! Musical</i>

Sunday, April 30 - GEMS Sunday

Sunday, May 7 - Evening Speaker, Henry Matarrita Jerusalem Missionary

May 16-20 - Church Garage Sale Fundraiser

Community and Denominational Announcements

VOLUNTEER FOR FORT MCMURRAY HOME RECONSTRUCTION - World Renew is happy to announce that volunteers are welcome from May 13-September 2, 2017, to help rebuild homes for families who suffered through last year's wildfire in Fort McMurray, Alberta. For details and to sign up to volunteer, visit worldrenew.net/albertafires or call 1-800-848-5818.

EMMANUEL HOME 2017 - Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 18, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity CRC, 13427 57 St, Edmonton. Become a member of the Society so you can participate in shaping the future of seniors' living in a Christian environment in our community. For more information or to sign up, go online: www.emmanuelhome.ab.ca/invest/society.html or contact Darren Sinke dsinke@emmanuelhome.ab.ca | 780-478-2051.

GET SET FOR EARTH DAY - Centrepointe CRC is hosting a FREE movie night. We are going to be watching Before the Flood, directed by and starring Leonardo DiCaprio. Friday April 21, at 7:00 PM (5940 159 Avenue). Come on out for a time of fun and fellowship, sponsored by the Climate Witness Project.

IT IS FINISHED - It's easy to assume that when Jesus declares "It is finished," he means his suffering is finished. Join our Groundwork conversation on John 19:28-30 as we discuss why this is really a cry of accomplishment; his work done, he is victorious, and the triumph we proclaim at Easter is just the beginning. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com

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JOIN A CANADA-WIDE CHOIR - The O Canada Choir is a virtual choir project, performing a new arrangement of O Canada in honour of our nation's 150th birthday. Individual singers and musicians can download sheet music and mp3 accompaniment tracks from the website, They then record themselves on video performing their part and upload it to the website to be combined into one massive performance. The website can be found at <http://www.ocanadachoir.ca> . An introductory video is available to watch at <http://intro.ocanadachoir.ca> .

LDESA AND THE HUB FUNDRAISER - A reminder that our annual "Seeds of Hope" fundraiser that we count on each year for the majority of our funding is April 22 at the Executive Royal Inn. Amazing meal, excellent entertainment, abundant silent auction and fun filled live dessert auction. Tickets \$40 Available at our office or Coldwell Banker!

AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE,

CLOSE TO HOME! - Camp Rehoboth provides a one-week camp experience for people with developmental disabilities near Lacombe, AB. For one week you can leave the busyness of life behind you and be a special friend to a child or adult, and show them the love of Christ Our camper spots are getting filled, and we are hoping our volunteer list gets filled as well. For more information, check out our website: www.rehoboth.ab.ca/camps, or send us an email at: camp@rehoboth.ab.ca. With your help, we can "FLOURISH in the land."



Thank You to Our Volunteers

Ushers: Dennis P, Ruby P, Ted K

Next Week: Dennis V, Andy Z, Marilyn Z

Greeters: Gary & Jenny F

Next Week: Gerard & Wendy B

Coffee Duties: Wes V, Clarence & Tiny M, Brent & Kelly L

Next Week: John & Joyce D, Josh & Michelle K, Johan & Tammy M

Worship Team: Marianne & Team

Next Week: Friendship

Projection & Audio: Nicole & Mike

Next Week: Ted & Josh

Serving Elder: Frank Vande Kraats

Next Week: Pete Vlieg

Nursery: Supervisor - Janette G

Next Week: Supervisor - Linda K

Infants: Emily Mu, Wilbur H, Petro K

Infants: Linda K, Janna P, Damien B

Toddlers: Jon L, Linda H, Anke K

Toddlers: Dan M, Michelle T, Ivan T



LEDUC VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BANQUET - April 27,

2017 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm at the Leduc Recreation Centre. Theme: Volunteers Make Us Happy Campers! Dress: Plaid is the New Black! Business Casual Attire. Tickets available at www.eventbrite.com

AVAILABLE FREE IN THE DIGITAL LIBRARY - “The Best Day Ever: The Story of Easter” is available free to all in the CRC through the Digital Library (crcna.org/Library).

This newly revised storybook tells the story of Easter (found in John 20:11-18) in simple words a young child can understand, a prayer, and suggestions for learning-through-play activities. This Bible storybook is one of 52 colorful storybooks designed for children ages 2-3.

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JOINING IN HIS VICTORY

Today, Easter Sunday, we celebrate these words from 1 Corinthians. We celebrate Christ’s victory over death and sin; a victory that is for all of His people!

**“Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?”**

1 Corinthians 15:55

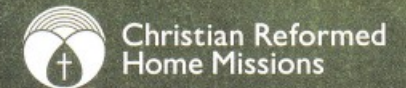
As we celebrate this joyous victory that we all have in Christ’s resurrection, let’s remember that this Easter story is far from over—it does not end with the resurrection.

Our God has included us in this victory! We are redeemed in Him and have victory over sin. This victory is for all of His people.

Your support for Christian Reformed Home Missions helps people in Canada and the United States realize that they are part of Christ’s victory. God is on the move in North America. In congregations, campuses, communities, workplaces, families—together we seek to join God in mission.

Thank you for helping Home Missions join Christ in the neighborhood to share in Christ’s victory.

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