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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!

I think we all know that Ebenezer is a great church. But what is a church? What makes us different than any other social club? And what does it mean to be a full participant in the church? By God's grace, the Heidelberg Catechism, the book of Acts and the Holy Spirit will help us answer these questions this morning.

## Lord's Day 21

Q54. What do you believe concerning "the holy catholic church"?

A. I believe that the Son of God through his Spirit and Word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. And of this community I am and always will be a living member.

Welcome and Prayer

Call to Worship

**Songs: Great Is the Lord Our God  
Hosanna (Praise is Rising)**

Greeting

**Song: Cornerstone**

Time of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

**Song: Across the Lands**

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Thank Offering: **1 - Ebenezer Ministries**

**2 - Bethel Church Plant**

Children's Message

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

**Scripture: Hebrews 10:24-25, Mark 3:31-35,  
1 Corinthians 12:14-20**

**Message: Being the Church**

Prayer of Application

**Song: The Power of Your Love**

Parting Blessing

**Song: 10,000 Reasons**

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

## Church Family

Please remember **Hank G** in prayer . He was in the hospital this week with uncontrolled back pain. We also 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.

**PHOTO DIRECTORY** - One last chance to get your picture taken for the directory will be at our 40th Anniversary celebration, June 16! If you consider this your home church please stop in at classroom #3 that day to have your picture taken!

**NEW CONTACT INFO** - Dave, Marilyn, and Sadie H no longer have a landline. Please contact them on their cell phones

**CHURCH KEYS** - I'm taking inventory of the Church Keys that are in circulation. If you have a key to the front door of the church, please email or text Monica to the church office and let her know what number is stamped on it and if you have an interior door key. If you have a key to return or have lost a key, please also contact Monica. Thank you for your help with this!



**THANK YOU** - Thank you to all the church family who gave to the bridal shower. The thoughtful gifts are greatly appreciated. Thank you for all the support as we look forward to the next chapter in our lives. - Christina and Dan

**GARAGE SALE THANK YOU!** - Thank you to all who donated baking and items for our garage sale! Thank you also to our helpers who made it all possible! Over \$2800 was raised! If at any time you have a large item you would like to sell online and donate the proceeds to the church, Bea Martens is happy to help, please contact her! Thank you again!

**WEDDING SHOWER THANK YOU** - Tena and Linda, the church shower committee, wanted to share that we have been overwhelmed by the generosity and support from the ladies of our congregation. We enjoy the opportunity to get to know our guests of honour and shopping for their wish list. We sincerely appreciate everyone's involvement at these community building events.

**EBENEZER'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** - Keep June 16th available to join in for our 40th anniversary celebrations! The fun starts at 3:00 pm with a variety of games and fellowship for young and older! Dinner will be ready at 6:00. S'mores and fire pit activities will round off the evening around 9:00 pm. Sign up sheets are posted in front lobby, please indicate number of adults and children in the column behind your names. Thanks! We do need to find some portable gazebos for use that day,( we would need 10) if you have one available please contact your small group leader or Jan and Maricha K.



**VBS S.O.S** - Calling all people as the kids this year at VBS will be Shipwrecked! We need all hands on deck! If you're interested in helping with VBS this summer please see the signup sheet at the back of the church in the hut. We will hit dry land July 16-20, 9:30-12:00.

**NOTE** - The VBS team is looking for one or two individuals to apprentice this year for VBS and then lead for the 2019 year. It is a 2 year commitment. Talk to Kelly L or Christine H. Thank you!



**JUNE - SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES** - Were in your mailbox last week! Please look them over and mark your assigned dates. The password to access the schedules from the website is : Thank you so much for serving!

**PARKING** - Reminder that the parking stalls along the sidewalks are for seniors over 80 years of age and those with walking difficulties.

**PASTORAL NEEDS** - Regarding any pastoral needs that you may have, please remember to let your district elder know so that he/she can assist you as necessary. If you are unsure who your district elder is please consult the list on the bulletin board beside the mailboxes.

## 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 - BETHEL CRC CHURCH PLANT** - Bethel started as a church plant. Many years ago a relatively small core of people left Maranatha Christian Reformed Church and began meeting in Highlands United Church under the leadership of their new minister, Pastor Chuck Fennema. Now, Bethel has over six hundred members, and the impact we are making in Bannerman, our own communities, and the world started with the vision and dedication of these first members. At a meeting of our founding members that took place this year, we were discussing the numerical growth of Bethel over the years. One of the members present said, "Maybe it is time for a new group of people to go out from Bethel to start a new church as we did." In our church's vision document, A Dream for Bethel we express our prayerful intention to do this very thing. With our 40th year anniversary coming up in 2019, perhaps the time is right for Bethel a launch a new church as these pioneers did four decades ago. For more information visit <http://www.discoverbethel.com/church-plant-2019.html>

**Next Week - YOUTH UNLIMITED WETASKIWIN** - The programs of Youth Unlimited Wetaskiwin are designed to connect with youth where they are: lunch time programs at junior high and high schools, hosting concerts, camping and canoe trips in summer, ski trips in winter and a floor hockey league for Millet, Wetaskiwin and Hobbema youth. Wetaskiwin and Millet also have youth drop-in centers. Our programs give opportunities to get kids off the streets or off their computers and engaged in life. Through this we hope to encourage these young people to take their negative experiences and turn them into something positive for the future. For more info see [youthunlimitedwetaskiwin.com](http://youthunlimitedwetaskiwin.com)

## Coming Up @ Ebenezer

**Sunday (June 3) 9:15 am** Weekly Prayer Meeting in Library  
**10:00 am** Worship Service

**June 16 - Ebenezer 40th Anniversary Celebration**

**July 16-20 - Shipwrecked! VBS**

**July 22 - VBS Sunday**

**ART SUBMISSIONS FOR DOE 2018** - This year's Day of Encouragement, in November, will be organized around the theme of "Sacred Spaces." We would like to invite any congregational members who are avid photographers, poets or spoken word artists to contact the NADC consultant about submitting their work to be used and/or displayed for that day. We are looking to display art from our own members in the atrium at the King's University, much like we did last year with the Mustard Seed art. Email [yournadc@gmail.com](mailto:yournadc@gmail.com) or call Jesse at 780-819-7488.



**LEDUC ALLIANCE CHURCH IS CELEBRATING 20 YEARS IN THEIR BUILDING!!** - We would like to invite the wider church kingdom to attend our 20th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, June 24th from 10:30 am – 2:00 pm. We will have a celebration church service with a BBQ to follow. We would love to see you there!



**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** - At the end of May, our Children's Church Program will have ended. However, as is our custom, we will continue to provide classes for the 3 & 4 year-olds. Any child entering kindergarten in the fall will not have a class in the summer but will wait until the new year begins. Thank you to those who have offered their time and have been place in their requested days. All other parents have been assigned a date and class. If you are unable to fulfill the date assigned to

you, please find your own replacement or trade with someone. The parent teaching has historically chosen their own stories and activities for the class, but, if looking for ideas, there are a lot of resources available for your use, including craft and colouring ideas.

Please see the schedule attached and highlighted dates and mark on your calendar. There will (should) be a copy for reference on the bulletin board in the foyer and on the board in the education wing between classrooms 1&2. Carrie T is the new season's coordinator and she will be available for assistance if required.

Thank you and have a fun-filled, blessed summer. I have enjoyed my time as coordinator more than words can express.

Alice V

**ASSISTANT NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER** - We are looking for someone to assist our Children's Church Director starting September. If you have questions please contact Carrie T



## Community & Denominational Announcements

**28TH ANNUAL REHOBOTH GOLF CLASSIC IN STONY PLAIN** – June 2, 2018. Help support adults with developmental disabilities: sign up for the 28th Annual Rehoboth Golf Classic fundraiser in Stony Plain. Register online at [www.rehoboth.ab.ca](http://www.rehoboth.ab.ca), or request a Registration Form by emailing to [golfclassic@rehoboth.ab.ca](mailto:golfclassic@rehoboth.ab.ca). This year, tournament proceeds will help build new cabins at Rehoboth Camp near Gull Lake!

**REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES 2ND ANNUAL CAR SHOW AND SHINE** - July 28, 2018 at 3920 – 49 Ave. in Stony Plain; to raise funds for adults with developmental disabilities. All day event includes a Pancake Breakfast, BBQ, Car Boot sale, kid's area, & Silent Auction. Vehicle/motorcycle registration for Show and Shine from 9-11 a.m. or pre-register at [www.rehoboth.ab.ca](http://www.rehoboth.ab.ca). Cost of \$20/vehicle. For more information call (780) 968-4315

**APPLY FOR THE CRC OFFICE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE'S MOBILIZING AND ADVOCACY FELLOWSHIP** - The CRC Office of Social Justice is hiring! We're still looking for our Mobilizing and Advocacy Fellow. If you are interested in faith, policy, and social justice, apply for our fellowship, a 1-year full-time paid position offered to recent college or university graduates. (Please note the higher pay rate!) The fellow will gain invaluable hands-on experience and help our office develop and assist in timely and effective advocacy and mobilizing strategies relating to U.S. and Canadian policies that benefit the poor and oppressed. Please apply by May 25 at [crcna.org/jobs](http://crcna.org/jobs)

**GLOBAL PRAYER SAFARI** - January 31 to February 11, 2019 - The Global Prayer Safari brings together brothers and sisters in Christ from all over the world to join together in prayer for the world. This trip is meant to demonstrate Christ's love to ministry leaders, government officials, business people, and everyday citizens in Ethiopia through prayer and relationship-building. If interested, visit [resonateglobalmission.org/Safari](http://resonateglobalmission.org/Safari) or contact Bill at [bthornburg@crcna.org](mailto:bthornburg@crcna.org)

**DONATIONS TO THE GERRY SEGGER HERITAGE COLLECTION** - The Gerry Segger Heritage Collection on Dutch-Canadian immigration housed in The King's University library is requesting donations of any of the following items: diaries, letters, and journals, immigration paperwork, tickets and boarding passes, government promotions, church promotional materials, personal stories, church newsletters, etc. For details, call Bonita at 780-465-3500 ext. 8054 or email [heritagecollection@kingsu.ca](mailto:heritagecollection@kingsu.ca)

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Thanks to Scottie Ilich (See Matthew 14:14-21) 05-13-2005  
WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUPER-SIZE THAT TODAY?

**THANK YOU** - To the congregation in Christ at Ebenezer CRC, Thank you all for your recent support gift to the Ministry to Seafarers here in Vancouver. Your gift helps make it possible to carry on this vital work here in the Port of Vancouver. We so appreciate your partnership for God's kingdom work here, as we continue to serve seafarers from around the world who pass through the waters here. May the Lord continue to bless you all in all your service for Him. Warm regards, Rev. Gary Roosma

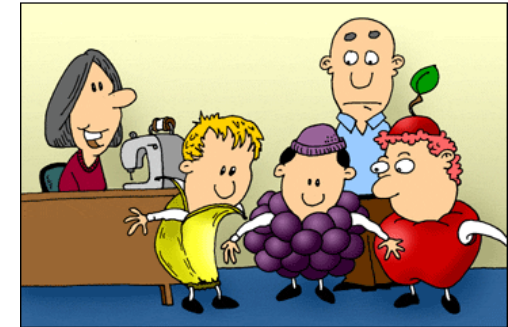
**SONRISE CAMP** – Are you looking for a great place to send your teens for a week this summer? Then look no further! Sunrise Camp is a rustic camp that is located just outside of Rocky Mountain House and is run by First Christian Reformed Church of Rocky. We provide a week of Bible lessons, WIDE games, trips to a local lake, exciting out trips and much, much more – all supervised by caring, Christian counsellors!! We offer two camps; one for ages 10 – 12 from July 8 – 13, 2018 and one for ages 13 – 15 from July 15 – 20, 2018. If you would like more information or registration forms (available at [www.firstcrocky.ca](http://www.firstcrocky.ca)), please contact Marie Aasman at [mllaasman@hotmail.com](mailto:mllaasman@hotmail.com) or 403-845-4438.

**A VERY GOOD DAY** - Grandpa and Liz follow treasure hunt clues left behind by a childhood friend of Grandpa. What's the next clue? What's the treasure hidden somewhere in Terrene? Subscribe for free at [getkidscorner.com](http://getkidscorner.com). Free Giveaway: Get the KC sketchbook at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net).

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**THE FRUIT OF PATIENCE** - How can we cultivate the spiritual gift of patience in a society that prefers immediate gratification? Join Groundwork in studying 1 Timothy 1:15-16 and Colossians 1:9-12 as we seek to understand and cultivate the fruit of patience in our own lives. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

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WELL HOW WOULD YOU GO ABOUT MAKING FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT COSTUMES

## Thank You to Our Volunteers

**Ushers:** Dennis V, Tim C, Bev C      **Next Week:** Howard O, Ted K

**Greeters:** Dick & Judy O      **Next Week:** Ed & Monica V

**Coffee Duties:** Michelle O, John & Joyce D, Gerard & Wendy B

**Next Week:** Andy & Arja T, Miriam P, Brent & Michelle T

**Worship Team:** Marianne & Team      **Next Week:** Grace & Team

**Projection & Audio:** Nicole & Mike      **Next Week:** Jamie & Matt

**Serving Elder:** Norm H      **Next Week:** Jordan S

**Nursery: Supervisor** - Linda K

**Tod:** Linda K, Jay A, Seth A

**Next Week: Supervisor** - Glen H

**Tod:** Alinda B, John W, Ivan T

**Inf:** Josh K, Grace B, Jolene V

**Inf:** Glen H, Joyce D, Grace C

