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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!

We are very glad you have joined us today! Pastor Frank DeBoer is bringing us God's message. All are welcome to join us for coffee, tea, juice, and time of fellowship afterwards.

## Lord's Day 21

Q.55. What do you understand by "the communion of saints"?

A. First, that believers, one and all, as members of this community, share in Christ and in all His treasures and gifts.

Second, that each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and cheerfully for the service and enrichment of the other members.

Welcome & Prayer

**Song: God is Here  
O How Good It IS**

God's Greeting

**Song: Hosanna, Praise is Rising**

Time of Confession & Assurance

**Song: Give us Clean Hands**

Announcements &  
Congregational Prayer

Children's Message

**Thank Offering:**

**1 - Ebenezer Ministries**

**2 - Pastor Church Resources**

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

**Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:12-26**

**Catechism: Q & A 55**

**Sermon: Perfectly Arranged Body**

**Song: They'll Know We Are Christians**

Parting Blessing

**Song: How Great is Our God**



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

## Church Family

Congratulation to **Tina & Brian R** who will celebrate their 35th Anniversary on August 27. We rejoice with you and your family in this special milestone!

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.



**CHILDREN'S CHURCH DIRECTOR 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

**LETTER FROM THE GEISTERFERS** - Dear friends: We request your prayers for Caspar, who will travel to Michigan in early September to undergo tests that cannot be done here in Honduras. A CT scan done here identified issues with his lungs, similar to something he experienced in 2016. Last time, further testing did not reveal cancer, and we pray this round of tests will be the same, recognizing that he is God's hands.

At the end of August, Leanne will be facilitating a trauma healing group with staff and collaborators of the Nehemiah Center in Nicaragua. During July, the government used forceful means to quell protests across the country, including areas where some partner organizations are active. Pray with us for true peace, with justice, in Nicaragua. And pray that Leanne's time there will be a time of deep healing, especially for the staff who are in the process of developing a reconciliation and peace-building program they hope can be carried out on a very broad level in the coming year.

Leanne will be taking a three-month sabbatical leave from September to December and shares the goals for that in the attached letter. If you have any questions during that time, please be sure to connect with Caspar. Thank you for your continued prayers and support! Caspar and Leanne Geisterfer, Resonate Global Mission and World Renew

**There are copies of their newsletter on the table in the foyer.**

**FOODBANK 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 Prins, Jen Fiebich or Carolyn DeKlerk.

# 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 - FAITH FORMATION MINISTRIES:**

Faith Formation Ministries supports congregations as they carry out their callings in faith formation and discipleship. FFM recognizes that each congregation has a unique identity, history, context, and calling. To that end, FFM listens, dialogues, and then suggests ideas and develops resources to strengthen these ministries. We do that in a number of ways, including

- providing regional catalyzers who become familiar with a congregation's context and walk alongside its faith formation leaders, sharing advice and resources.
- creating online toolkits that contain a wide variety of resources on a growing list of topics such as Welcoming Children to the Lord's Supper and Faith Storytelling (check them out at [crcna.org/FaithFormation/toolkits](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation/toolkits)).
- forming an annual cohort of congregation who work together with the FFM team on one or two specific faith formation projects.

<https://www.crcna.org/FaithFormation>

**Next Week - Deaconate** - Deacons are church officers whose main job description is to administer the mercy of Christ to all people. The deacons are also called upon to motivate the members of Christ's church to faithful, obedient stewardship of their resources on behalf of the needy. Along with loving deeds and with gifts of money and assistance, the deacons serve the needy with counsel, leading people to see the grace of our loving Savior and recognizing the Lord through whom all blessings flow.

**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.

**OLD CHURCH SIGN** - If anyone interested in the old sign complete with lettering, please let the office know. If you'd like to see it, it is behind the church.

**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



## Coming Up @ Ebenezer

**Sunday (Sept 2) 9:15 am** Weekly Prayer Meeting in Library

**10:00 am** Worship Service

**Saturday (Sept 29) 10:00 am** Foodbank Garden Harvest

**FAMILY FIRE** - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at [familyfire.com](http://familyfire.com). Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

**YOUTH MINISTRY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY IN HONDURAS** - Join the Cohort of Missioners in Honduras for a hands-on look on what it means to share God's love with young people in Central America and to experience transformation in your own life. You'll organize learning activities for young adults and learn from ministry leaders. For more information, visit [www.resonateglobamission.org](http://www.resonateglobamission.org) and search under "Honduras" or contact Lisa Sochacki at [lsochacki@crcna.org](mailto:lsochacki@crcna.org).

**GLOBAL PRAYER SAFARI** - In Swahili the word safari means journey. Join a team of North Americans who appreciate the power of prayer as you journey hand-in-hand with teams from Ethiopia, Kenya, and Uganda. You'll learn about prayer from other Christian traditions as you visit schools, hospitals, jails, government buildings, markets, and more. Dates: January 31 - February 11, 2019. For more information, visit [www.resonateglobalmission.org/safari](http://www.resonateglobalmission.org/safari).

**Biblical Study Tour to Italy** - (March 28 - April 9, 2019) Visit the Vatican with its Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Cathedral; the impressive monuments of ancient Rome; Hadrian's Villa; Pompeii and Mt. Vesuvius; Paestum; Assisi; Florence; Ravenna; and St. Mark's Basilica in Venice. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational tour. Contact Dr. Weima at [weimje@calvinseminary.edu](mailto:weimje@calvinseminary.edu) or 616-328-3110.

**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](http://www.classisalberta.ca/nadc). More information can be found on the classis website: [www.classisalberta.ca/nadc](http://www.classisalberta.ca/nadc).

**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](http://www.christiancu.ca)

**SAVE THE DATE for the ALIES/BACK PORCH** annual educational event this fall. Our guest speaker, Abby Johnson, is a former Planned Parenthood Clinic Director who is now, by the grace of God, a prolific advocate and best-selling author. Join us to hear her story while enjoying a banquet dinner at the Edmonton Inn & Conference Centre on Friday, September 21st. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Tickets are \$25 and are available at [www.alies.ca/event](http://www.alies.ca/event).

# Community & Denominational Announcements

**PEACE HILLS YOUTH FOR CHRIST FUNDRAISER:** A motorcycle scavenger hunt fundraiser is planned for September 8 @ 11:00 AM. The cost is \$99 and includes BBQ and Prizes. You can register at [www.peacehillesyfc.com](http://www.peacehillesyfc.com). See poster for more information.

**THE MICAH CENTRE AND THE INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES** department at The King's University are hiring a part-time administrative assistant for the upcoming school year, September – May. If you are interested in helping college students grow into curious, faithful, justice-seeking young people through a part-time, flexible job in a vibrant community of learning, please go to [kingsu.ca/careers](http://kingsu.ca/careers) to learn more.

**KINGS UNIVERSITY HARVEST BANQUET & SILENT AUCTION** - Join us for our annual Harvest Banquet as King's community celebrates God's goodness. Feast on a full Thanksgiving dinner paired with a guest speaker and striking cords from the evening's musical entertainment as you bid on unique auction items supporting student scholarships on Saturday, September 29, from 5:00 - 9:30 pm. General tickets are \$75.00. For more information or to purchase your tickets you can call the Development office at 780.465.8314.

**SINGER-SONGWRITER JEREMY BENJAMIN** is bringing his **I AM NOT MY OWN TOUR** to Edmonton! Join us and invite your friends as Jeremy leads worship on Sunday, September 2 at 10:30am and performs on Friday, September 7 at 7pm. The event will take place at Covenant Christian Reformed Church (19010 87 Ave NW) and proceeds will go to World Renew, Edmonton Native Healing Centre, and Jeremy's Worship ministry, so come prepared to give generously! Find out more by calling 1-800-730-3490 or at [iamnotmyown.org](http://iamnotmyown.org).

**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. For more information, or to apply, please visit [www.worldrenew.net/careers!](http://www.worldrenew.net/careers!)

**JOB OPPORTUNITY: WORLD RENEW - RFP - HR STRATEGIST** - Are you passionate about people? World Renew seeks to engage a Human Resources (HR) Strategist to provide leadership for the human resources planning of each team and overall organizational structure of World Renew, starting with the evaluation of the field offices. For more information, please see the complete Request For Proposal on our website: <https://www.worldrenew.net/RFP>.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY: "The Bridge App" Job Posting** - RELATIONAL. MISSIONAL. LOCAL. The Bridge App has been developed for the Christian Reformed Church as a tool to connect churches with their communities and community members to the body of Christ. This app has been so well received by the churches across Canada that there is now a growing list of enhancements waiting to be made. The app developer is looking to add a person in the role of "Full Stack Developer" to their staff to implement these enhancements. See the full job posting at [thebridgeapp.org/site/careers](http://thebridgeapp.org/site/careers). Questions? Contact Dorothy Vandersteen at [bridgeapp@crcna.org](mailto:bridgeapp@crcna.org).

**WHO IS GOD?** - The Bible is about God, but who is God? Join us in studying passages like Revelation 4:11 and Deuteronomy 6:4 to answer some basic questions about the person, nature, and character of our almighty God and to discover the biblical foundations for our core Christian beliefs about the God we worship. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**SLEEPWALKING LIZ** - Liz doesn't sleep for days preparing for the big spelling bee. How can he participate when he can't even put two letters together? Subscribe for free at [getkidscorner.com](http://getkidscorner.com). At [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net), download the new free resource Power Tools: Taking a Stand Against Bullying.

**TOUR THE BIBLICAL LANDS OF ISRAEL** - March 11- 22, 2019. For complete information, cost, and registration, go to website: [toursofisrael.wordpress.com](http://toursofisrael.wordpress.com) or call Peter Tuininga: 1-289-77-8433 or e-mail: [peter.tuininga@gmail.com](mailto:peter.tuininga@gmail.com). Register by December 15, 2018

**JOURNEY THROUGH EGYPT** - Join Resonate Global Mission on an Egypt Vision Tour. History comes alive as you learn how scripture is connected to ancient Egyptian monuments. Dates: April 2-10, 2019. For more information visit [www.resonateglobalmission.org/Egypt](http://www.resonateglobalmission.org/Egypt).

## Thank You to Our Volunteers

**Ushers:** Dennis P, Ruby P

**Next Week:** Andrew V, Dennis V

**Greeters:** Tim & Bev C

**Next Week:** Dick & Judy O

**Coffee Duties:** Jan & Gea T, Wes & Candice V, Alex P

**Next Week:** Wilbur & Linda H, Janette G, Dan & Emma H

**Serving Elder:** Henk S

**Next Week:** Andy T

**Worship Team:** Alice & Team

**Next Week:** Grace & Team

**Projection & Audio:** Wes & Pete

**Next Week:** Jamie & Matt

**Nursery: Supervisor** - Christine H

**Inf:** Josh K, Teen V, Ashley T

**Next Week: Supervisor** - Linda K

**Inf:** Linda K, Emily Mu, Lois D

**Tod:** Christine H, Roy V, Ivan T

**Tod:** Colin B, Laura A, Amy A

**Children's Church:**

**3 year olds:** Michelle K & Alesha S

**Next Week:** No Church School

**4 year olds:** Leanne K & Andrea K

**Next Week:** No Church School

