October 7, 2018

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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!

Happy Thanksgiving!

This morning we have the opportunity as a church family to reflect together on all the ways that the Lord has blessed us and to return thanks. "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; and His steadfast love endures for ever!" (1 Chronicles 16:34)

Lord's Day 50 \bigcirc 125. What does the fourth petition mean? A. "Give us this day our daily bread" means: Do take care of all our physical needs so that we come to know that you are the only source of everything good, and that neither our work and worry nor your gifts can do us any good without your blessing. And so help us to give up our trust in creatures and trust in you alone.

Welcome and Call to Worship

Songs: Lord Most High & You are Holy God's Greeting / We Greet Each Other

Song: Great is He

Thanksgiving reading

Song: Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart

Confession and Assurance

Song: To God Be the Glory

Congregational Prayer

Thank offering:

 Ebenezer Ministries,
World Renew Disaster Response
Children's Message (Children ages 3 - Grade 3 leave for Sunday School)

Scripture: Matthew 6:9-13 Catechism: Q & A 122-125

Message: The Prayer of our Lord (Part 2)

Song of Response: Cornerstone

God's Parting Blessing

Parting Song: Trees of the Field

Church Family

Congratulations to **Sieger & Mariana** who were united in marriage on Friday! We pray God's blessings for you as you build your life together.

We remember the **farmers** who have yet to bring in the harvest. We pray for patience, hope, sunshine, and safety in their work.

Update on Koen T (6-year-old son of John & Wendy Ts nephew). In July, Koen was diagnosed with myeopithelial carcinoma. Despite 2 rounds of chemotherapy, the tumors in his leg and lungs continue to grow. His body is very weak. The family is asking for prayer for the very difficult decisions ahead.

If you are experiencing physical or emotional difficulties, please speak to Pastor Jason, your district Elder, a Deacon or contact the church office. We want to support you in your journey. We pray that God will provide you with peace, comfort and healing.

NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY! Our directory is nearly finished! Please verify your contact information posted on the table by the kitchen window. We are excited to use this directory like a family photo album! We encourage you to use it as a tool for fellowship and prayer.

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS! Each week we are so blessed to have people who serve in the Nursery & Sunday School, as Ushers & Greeters, on Worship Teams, and in the kitchen with Coffee Duties. Sundays wouldn't be the same without your sacrificial and joyful service! Please see your mailboxes for updated schedules. Copies of the Volunteer Schedules are also posted in the Council Room.

To access Volunteer Schedules online:

- 1. Find our Website at <u>www.ebenezercrc.com</u>
- 2. Scroll down to the bottom of the homepage
- 3. Click on the Volunteer Schedule button located on the left side
- 4. The password is:

Ephesians 6:7 "Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people."

Ministry Needs

CADET COUNSELORS NEEDED:

In order to integrate the younger Junior Cadet Program, we need Counselors.

Our first regular Cadet meeting will be on **Wednesday**, **October 17th**. Our Cadet club is still earnestly looking for 2 to 3 men to join as Counselors, and 2 more Junior Counselors (Grade 10-12 students).

Men of our congregation, please take a moment to think and pray about your involvement with this ministry within our church - remember that you may be the only

example of a committed Christian man that some of the boys in the club will ever see.

You have the opportunity to help grow the next generation in our church; help us build a strong faith foundation for these boys.

If you are interested in helping our boy's ministry, please email <u>leduccadets@gmail.com</u>, or feel free to talk to Scott

"Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith." Hebrews 13:7

CLASSIS MEETING: Thank-you to everyone who has volunteer so far! We are still in need of a few more people. Please check out the <u>signup sheet on the bulletin board</u> by the mailboxes or contact Jen @ 780-986-9386

JOB OPPORTUNITY: EDMONTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS (Society office) is seeking a Community Engagement Coordinator to tell the story of our school within God's bigger story. This position will cultivate relationships that create a culture of understanding and support for the School. An aptitude for writing, photography and social media as well as strong communication skills are important. More details available at our website: <u>edmchristian.org</u>.

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

| Sunday, Oct 7 @ 9:15 | Weekly Prayer Meeting in the Library |
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| @ 10:00 am | Worship Service |
| Wednesday, Oct 10 @ 9:30 am | CoffeeBreak Women's Ministry |
| @ 6:30 pm | GEMS Girls Ministry |
| Friday - Saturday, Oct 12-13 | Classis AB North Meeting |
| Sunday, Oct 14 @ 9:15 am | Weekly Prayer Meeting in the Library |
| @ 10:00 am | Worship Service |
| @ 11:45 am | Catechism for Grades 7-10 |

Calendar Announcements

COFFEE BREAK WOMEN'S MINISTRY HAS STARTED! It's not too late to join us! Come each Wednesday morning as we study God's Word together. We seek to be a group of women who are growing in closeness to God and each other. We share our lives and encourage each other to be Christ -followers. This year we will be studying the book A Woman After God's Own Heart by Elizabeth George. And yes, we have great snacks! All ages and stages welcome! Childcare provided for ages 0-5.

CLASSIS EXAMINATION: On October 13th from 8:50-10:30 AM <u>Pastor Jason is scheduled to be</u> <u>examined by classis</u>. The examiners who will be interviewing Pastor Jason are Pastor John Ooms and Pastor Bob DeMoor. The examination will take place in the sanctuary here at Ebenezer and it is open to the public.

FUNDRAISING CONCERT: PETE & THE RE-PETES will be playing a fundraising concert on October 19, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. here at Ebenezer. They are a Christian instrumental group that play hymns and classical music. Tickets are \$10 at the door, children under 16 are free; a freewill offering will be taken for Papua New Guinea Missions. For more information see the poster in the lobby or visit www.peteandrepetes.com.



Denominational News

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 - WORLD RENEW DRS: World Renew's Disaster Response Services shows God's love and brings hope to disaster-affected communities in Canada and the US by restoring the homes and lives of those who are most vulnerable. DRS was involved with natural disasters in 2017 including the BC wild fires, flooding in Quebec and Ontario and various flooding, tornadoes and hurricanes in the United States. For more information see worldrenew.net

Next Week - RISE UP HOUSE: Established in 2007 Riseup House Society is an equipping and healing women's outreach centre responding to the reality of domestic violence and abuse. Riseup House provides group support, counselling and resources for women impacted by intimate partner abuse, and educates individuals and community groups about preventing and responding to abuse. For more info see riseuphouse.ca

DO YOU WANT TO CONNECT WITH A DENOMINATIONAL LEADER? Bernadette Arthur, Danielle Steenwyk-Rowaan, Cindy Stover and Peter Bulthuis are all going to be joining us from head offices out east. Bryan Haley will also be offering a full day of administrative training for our church employees and volunteers. Look for brochures in your church or go to www.classisalbertanorth.ca/nadc to view details. Register at www.regonline.ca/ doe2018edmonton. For more information contact NADC: 780-819-7488 or yournadc@gmail.com

INDONESIA EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE - World Renew is expanding its current earthquake response in Lombok, Indonesia, to include last week's earthquake, tsunami, and volcanic eruption on nearby Sulawesi. The destruction and loss of life involved in these disasters is devastating. Your prayerful intercession and financial support are needed. Please give generously in your church's offering, at worldrenew.net/sulawesi, or call 800-730-3490. Cheques made out to World Renew, with Indonesia Earthquakes 2018 in the memo line, can be mailed to World Renew, 3475 Mainway, STN LCD 1, Burlington, ON L7R 3Y8. Thank you.

"A THEOLOGY OF JUSTICE": How should Christians engage the public square and what are the Biblical imperatives to practice justice in our world? Our whole denomination is presently engaged in a conversation about the Church's role in society and its politics, so this topic is particularly relevant right now. Roy Berkenbosch has done much thinking and research on this question and will be sharing his insights on October 9, 2018 at Inglewood Christian Reformed Church 12330 – 113 Avenue with a gathering at 7:00 and presentation at 7:30.

BETHEL REFUGEE CONCERT: Please join us this coming Saturday at 7pm at Bethel Community CRC for an evening of laughter and music with Matt Day in support of our refugee families. Concert tickets are 20.00 each (if pre-ordered) or 25.00 at the door or 50.00 per family. Complimentary refreshments will also be served. To request tickets please email Audrey at <u>calvingudrey@gmail.com</u> Thank you for supporting our Refugee families!

More news and encouragement can be found at <u>http://www.ebenezercrc.com/news.</u> Paper copies are located at the information table outside the sanctuary. Thank you!

Thank You to Our Volunteers

| <u>Ushers</u> : Mike D, Dennis V | Next Week: Dennis & Ruby P |
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| Greeters: Luke & Alyse K | Next Week: Gerard & Wendy B |
| Coffee Duties: Bryan & Emily M, Pete & Brigit M, Eveline T Next Week: Josh & Michelle K, Ben & Sandy M, Roy & Teena V | |
| <u>Serving Elder</u> : Herman B | Next Week: Wilbur H |
| Worship Team: KerryAnne & Team | Next Week: Marianne & Team |
| Projection & Audio: Dan & Ted | Next Week: Mike R & Nicole V |
| Nursery: Supervisor - Christine H | |
| Inf: Jenna D, Alicia B, Anke K Tod: | Christine H, Natasha D, Ed V, Levi H |
| Next Week: Nursery Supervisor - Alesha S Inf: Kendra F, Angelica G, Abigail C Tod: Marilyn H, Joe D, Daniel Ba | |