

March 31, 2019

Ministry Information & Contacts

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A Meal With Jesus
Lent Series 2019

Welcome to Ebenezer!

In keeping with the theme of "A Meal with Jesus" we will be meditating on a meal that Jesus had during His earthly ministry and celebrating the Lord's Supper together each week during the Lent season. May the Lord use these special "meals with Jesus" to deepen our faith and help us to draw near to Him. - Pastor Jason

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG — *Behold Our God*

GOD'S GREETING

SONG — *O Praise The Name Of The Lord Our God*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

SONG — *And Can It Be*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THANK OFFERING

- 1 - Ebenezer Ministries
- 2 - Emmanuel Home

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Children ages 3 - Grade 3 dismissed for Sunday School)

SONG — *Blessed Assurance* (for Joyce H's Birthday)

SCRIPTURE READING — Luke 7:36-50

Serving Elder, Herman B

SERMON — Sinners Have a Meal with Jesus

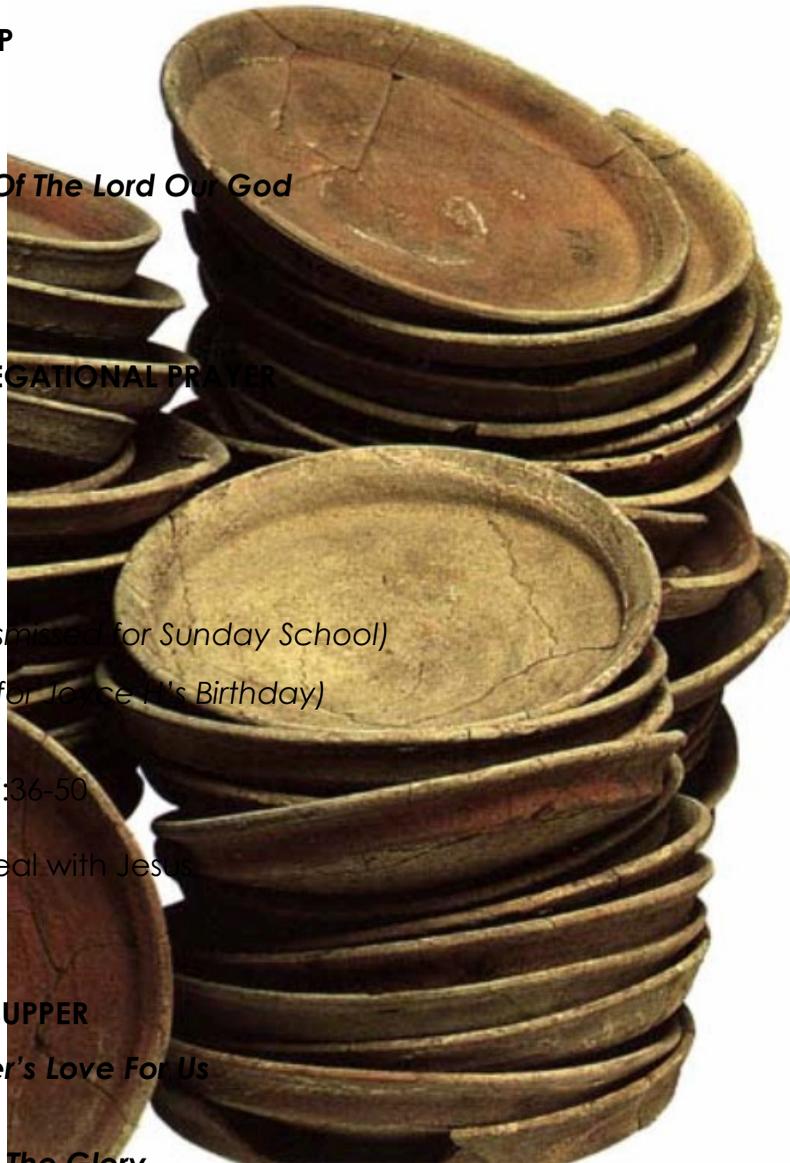
SONG — *Eat This Bread*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

SONG — *How Deep The Father's Love For Us*

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG — *To God Be The Glory*



Church Family

Congratulations to **Joyce H** who celebrates her **86th Birthday** today! We wish you God's blessing on your special day and all year through!

Congratulations to **Albert & Evelyn T** who are celebrating their **64th Wedding Anniversary** today! We rejoice with you and your families in this special milestone.

We wanted to let you know that **Albert D** is feeling much better and is back home again following a stay in the hospital after acquiring an infection. Thank you so much for the support, prayers, visits and phone calls received. Al will be continuing to go for outpatient IV for another week. Albert & Marianne

As of the last update, **Wyatt B** has been slowly improving. Please continue to pray for him and his parents as he slowly continues to gain strength.

Beth N will be starting her chemo soon. We will be looking for volunteers who will be able to drive her for her treatments. Please let Jen F know if you can help with this.

Please pray for safe travels for our **Youth** as they will be returning home this evening.

They're having triplets! **Deborah and Gresham V** are pleased to announce that they are having triplets! They would dearly love your prayers as this pregnancy progresses and are looking forward to meeting their little ones! As their church family, we would like to offer you the opportunity to share with them some gently used baby items. If you have something you'd like to bless them with (please remember, gently used), you may email me, Grace Boender and I will co-ordinate with Deborah and Gresham.

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.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: Our Good Friday service will be on April 19th. We will continue the theme of "Meals with Jesus". We are looking for some volunteers (age 19-20) to do dramatic readings during the service. If you are interested in participating please contact Pastor Jason or Grace D.

EASTER: There will be **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL** during Easter

EDMONTON CHRISTIAN WEST SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO A GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY on Monday, April 1, 2:00 p.m. at the school: 14345 McQueen Road. Join us as we celebrate God's goodness and begin the construction of our new Preschool - Grade 9 building. Listen to a brief presentation, enjoy refreshments and help our students celebrate as we begin a New Chapter in an Old Story of God's faithfulness to us. Questions? Call 780-476-6281.

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: EMMANUEL HOME - As part of our Christian and communal responsibilities, we care for the seniors in our Reformed Christian community by providing quality facilities and programs for their use and benefit. Emmanuel Home is a desirable residential option for seniors in the Reformed Christian community in Edmonton and surrounding area. For more info see emmanuelhome.ab.ca

Next Week: WORLD RENEW

Giving Report

Cause	January	February	This Year
Ebenezer Ministries	\$28,239.00	\$27,717.40	\$55,956.40
Debt Reduction	\$430.00	\$790.00	\$1,220.00
Cadets-Head Office	\$1,655.55		\$1,655.55
Calvin Seminary		\$836.55	\$836.55
Ebenezer Deacons	\$753.50	\$25.00	\$778.50
Effect Hope		\$843.10	\$843.10
Social Justice		\$789.20	\$789.20
World Renew: General	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Youth Unlimited in NA	\$840.00		\$840.00
Leduc Foodbank	\$685.00		\$685.00
Ministry Shares	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Missionaries - Geisterfers	\$635.00	\$517.00	\$1,152.00
Strydhorst	\$639.70	\$452.75	\$1,092.45
Rise-Up Society		\$886.20	\$886.20
Total	\$33,977.75	\$32,957.20	\$66,934.95

GREETINGS FROM FORT SASKATCHEWAN! Thank you for your support of Bridge Church last year through an offering. You were the first church to step up! We are trying to build support through prayer and finances for our launch in Fall 2019. God is on the move here in the Fort. By God's grace our team is coming together nicely and we are already seeing unchurched people grow in faith. Here is also a video link to a video that tells our story a little bit.

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

- Sunday, March 31** @ 9:15 am Weekly Prayer Meeting
 @ 10:00 am Worship Service
 The Lord's Supper
- Monday, April 1** @ 7:00 pm Friendship Ministry
- Wednesday, April 3** @ 9:30 am CoffeeBreak
 @ 6:30 pm Cadets
- Sunday, April 7** @ 9:15 am Weekly Prayer Meeting
 @ 10:00 am Worship Service
 The Lord's Supper
- Saturday, April 13** @ 9:30 am Days for Girls Work-bee

DAYS FOR GIRLS: There will be a work-bee on Saturday, April 13 from 9:30 am - 4:00 pm. Curious? Come and check it out. Coffee is on all day. Newcomers are welcome, no special skills required. Lunch will be provided. Questions? Call or text Linda H. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.



GARAGE SALE FUNDRAISER: ...is being planned for May. There will be a short meeting after church this Sunday in the library, for anyone who would like to help our or has ideas we can use. If you have questions or would like to help out, please contact Bea M.

JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR REGISTRATION opens online on April 1-30 for children entering grade 2 through grade 8 this fall. Registration forms and information about the choir can be accessed at www.joyfulnoisechoir.ca. The choral program offers children an opportunity to develop and use their gift of music in worship and service as ambassadors for those who have developmental disabilities. For further information contact Director - Rein Selles at rein.selles@gmail.com.

Denominational News

KEEP THE BANNER GOING - The annual appeal for The Banner, the monthly magazine of the Christian Reformed Church, is coming to your mailbox this month. Although The Banner is delivered free of charge to every household in the CRC in print and online, our annual donation appeal makes this possible. To keep the conversation going look for the annual appeal in your mailbox or give online now at www.thebanner.org/donate.

LENT FAMILY FAITH FORMATION TIP - In preparation for Holy Week, consider setting up a simplified Stations of the Cross in your home or at your church. This memorable activity is a kid-friendly way to remember Jesus' suffering and sacrifice. Visit tinyurl.com/CrossStations for easy instructions. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

More news and encouragement can be found at

<http://www.ebenzercrc.com/news>.

A paper copy is posted on the Bulletin Board.

"SEEDS OF HOPE" Come and support **THE LEDUC HUB** at their **SEEDS OF HOPE FUNDRAISER**, Dinner, and Live and Silent Auction at the Leduc Antique Society on Saturday, April 13. Cocktails are at 5:30 and dinner at 6:30. Tickets are \$50.00 and they are available at the Hub office (780-739-5482) or contact Joe D. Tickets will also be available at the church office.

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP IN THE GREAT COMMISSION OF JESUS CHRIST!

Thus, you are invited to witness the fruitfulness of your collaboration in the life of His mission at MosaicHouse Church as we **install our newly ordained pastors**. **Derrick Lee** will be installed as a Minister of the Word on April 7 at East Campus [6811 92a Ave, Edmonton AB T6B 0T7] and **Christopher Lee** on April 14 at South Campus [11304 25 Ave, Edmonton AB Y6J 5B1]. Please join us in this great celebration!

BETHANY G is going to Gambia, Africa with Youth For Christ (Youth Unlimited) in July to help build a University. One of the fundraisers is to sell Good Neighbour Coffee. This Fair Trade coffee is grown in Honduras and hand roasted in Lacombe, Alberta by Pastor Rick and Joyce Abma. If you are interested in supporting Bethany please speak to her at church or call her at or Janette.

A NIGHT OF RAW AND PASSIONATE PRAISE AND WOSHIP! Attention Youth and Youth Leaders! Experience a euphoria of surrendering your heart to Jesus Christ, the object of your abandoned worship! March 31, 7p.m. MosaicHouse Church; 6811 92a Ave, Edmonton, B

Thank You To Our Volunteers!

Ushers: Tim & Bev C

Next Week: Luke K & Andrew V

Greeters: Gary & Jen F

Next Week: Luke & Alyse K

Welcome Booth: Marco D

Next Week: Charlene V

Coffee Duty: Dan & Natasha D, Joel & Candice P, Samantha C

Next Week: Jay & Laura A. Josh & Nicole V, Brett & Kelly L

**** IMPORTANT:** For coffee duty, please be at the church by **9:15 a.m.** in order to have enough time to set the coffee out. *Thank you so much!*

Serving Elder: Herman B

Next Week: Wilbur H

Worship Team: Alice V

Next Week: Jordan S/Jason D

Projection & Audio: Pete V/Wes V

Next Week: Dan V/Ted K

Nursery Supervisor - Carol W

Inf: Carol W, Jamie B, Grace B, Denelli H

Tod: Mike D, Kaija M, Ethan VDK

Next Week: Nursery Supervisor - Tammy M

Inf: Tammy M, Dan H, Wendy B, Owen V

Tod: Janna P, Jay A, Daniel Ba

If you have a conflict, please arrange for a substitute.

If you need help with this, please don't hesitate to call the office.

The volunteer schedules are available on the website [ebenzercrc.com](http://www.ebenzercrc.com).



FROM COUNCIL: We are now receiving nominations for people to serve in the office of Elder and Deacon. Please prayerfully consider if there is someone in our congregation that you think is called and qualified to serve in one of these positions and let a member of council know if the Lord brings someone to mind. The biblical qualifications for these offices can be found in the following passages: 1 Timothy 3:1-13; Titus 1:5-16; 1 Peter 5:1-5. We also have job descriptions of elders and deacons which we would be happy to provide if you would like to know more about what elders and deacons do here at Ebenezer.