#### **Ministry Information & Contacts**

Summer Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 9am-1 pm Phone: 780-986-4119 Email: office@ebenezercrc.com

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Bulletin Deadline: 10am Thursdays

Council Clerk Email: clerk@ebenezercrc.com

July 28, 2019



### Welcome to Ebenezer!

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer. This morning we consider together the fact that life is brief. The two babies being baptized this morning will, Lord willing, one day be adults looking back and wondering where the time went. And yet, in some ways it's the fleetingness of life that makes it so precious. In order to live the good life we need to learn how to receive each moment of each day as a gift from the Lord. May you be blessed this morning through the songs, baptisms, prayers and preaching and please join us for fellowship after the service. - Pastor Jason

#### WELCOME & PRAYER

**SONG** — Great Is The Lord We Bow Down

#### GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

**SONG** — One Generation Will Call To The Next

**BAPTISM** 

**SONG** — My Jesus I Love Thee

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THANK OFFERING

1 - Ebenezer Ministries 2 - Pastor Church Relations

**SONG** — O How Good It Is

(Pre-Kindergarten age children leave for Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE READING — Ecclesiastes 9:1-12

SERMON - A Table in the Mist

**SONG** — *10,000 Reasons* 

**PARTING BLESSING & CLOSING SONG** — Let All Things Now Living

# Church Family

**Beth N** An MRI will be done at the end of July to evaluate the progress of treatment and set a future course. Please continue to pray for Beth and the family.

Congratulations go out to **Lieuwe and Fia B** who celebrated their 50th anniversary July 18, to **William & Denise B** who celebrated their 35th anniversary on July 21, **Arjan & Heidi D** who celebrated their 15th anniversary on July 24 and **Brent & Kelly L** who celebrated their 10th anniversary on July 25, and congratulations go out to **Tim & KerryAnne H** who will celebrate their 20th anniversary on July 31. May God continue to guide and bless your lives together and may you continue to experience God's faithfulness in the years to come.

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.

### Welcome Center

Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. Romans 15:7

Are you new to Ebenezer? We hope you experience the presence of God as you worship today and feel welcomed by those around you. Do you have questions about who we are or what we do? Please stop by the Welcome Center either before or after the service to connect with a member of our Welcome Ministry. We are so glad you have joined us today!

If Ebenezer is your church home, we'd like to make you aware of a few giving opportunities. Donation coupons are available for purchase at the Welcome Center on Sunday Morning. Automatic Withdrawal Forms are also available for pick-up. Have you seen our new pens and T-shirts? T-shirts are \$10 each and pens are \$1. Drop a donation in the jar at the Welcome Center and you can take one home today! Money will go towards Debt Reduction. Thank you so much for your financial commitment to Ebenezer.

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:** For the months of July and August we will be open from 9am - 1pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you have a concern that arises outside of Office Hours, please contact Pastor Jason or your District Elder. 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.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Offering: CCS TUITION RELIEF -** Covenant's Mission Statement is as follows: Together parents and staff are committed to providing a uniquely Christ-centered education that promotes academic, social and spiritual growth. The Tuition Relief fund is to help those families who desire a Christian education for their children but are unable to afford the cost. For more info see covenantchristian.ca

**Next Week: PASTOR CHURCH RELATIONS -** Pastor-Church Relations provides programs of "healing and prevention" for ministers, staff, councils, and congregations. This includes advocacy, consultation, education as well as giving support, encouragement, and counsel to congregations and staff during times of crisis and transition.

**IN DEFENCE OF LIFE** The current Edmonton Prolife Newsletter is available at the welcome desk for any one who would like a copy. If more are needed, please call the office and more will be made available.

**NEED A HELPING HAND?** Anthony K is currently not working, so he would be happy to join you on yard or house projects you are tackling this summer. Feel free to talk to Emily M or Ted K for more information about his interests and availability.

**STAMPS, STAMPS:** Do you love stamps? Do you receive international mail? Bea Martens is collecting used postal stamps from around the world. They will be use to raise funds for the church. For more information, please contact Bea M.

PROJECTION TECHNICIAN WANTED! We're looking to train another projection technician! If you're interested in the technical side of worship at Ebenezer, contact Nicole V or talk to her after church. We require technicians to be of high school age and the commitment involves being available every 5-6 weeks, worship practices (typically Thursday evenings) as well as projection on Sunday morning.

## Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday, July 28	@ 9:15 am @ 10:00 am	Weekly Prayer Meeting Worship Service
Tues, Wed, Thurs	9am - 1pm	Summer Office Hours
Sunday, August 4	@ 9:15 am @ 10:00 am	Weekly Prayer Meeting Worship Service

**VOLUNTEER/LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE:** One area we have noticed that we at **Youth For Christ Peace Hills**, have not done well, is properly train our volunteers so that they can work with confidence with youth and feel like they are actually making a difference. We want our volunteers to become great mentors and we all need more mentors for our youth and for the families in our congregations.

We will be hosting a <u>Free 4 Part Leadership Training Course and Certification</u>. This is an all-day event. Dates will be September 14, October 12, November 9 & December 14. This is open to anyone in your congregation who is in youth ministry or wants to be. Calvary Baptist Church in Wetaskiwin has blessed us to be able to host this training at their location. We have an online registration on our website: www.peacehillsyfc.com or just call if you want to attend. I pray this will be a huge blessing to all our youth ministry leaders and volunteers. For more information, see the poster on the bulletin board.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY -** Christian Credit Union is currently seeking a dynamic, service orientated individual to join our team in the capacity of a Member Service Representative. As a Member Service Representative (MSR), you are part of a dynamic retail branch team. Your job is to make everyone feel welcomed from the moment they contact our Edmonton Branch and assist them with their day to day banking needs. For more information, see the poster on the bulletin board.

### Denominational News

**CALVIN SYMPOSIUM ON WORSHIP 2020** - The annual Calvin Symposium on Worship is a 3-day conference sponsored by the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship and the Center for Excellence in Preaching. It will be held Thursday, January 30, 2020 - Saturday, February 1, 2020 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The conference brings together a wide audience of artists, musicians, pastors, scholars, students, worship leaders and planners, and other interested worshipers. People come from around the world for a time of fellowship, worship, and learning together, seeking to develop their gifts, encourage each other and renew their commitment to the full ministry of the church.

<u>Ebenezer is hoping to send a group of worship leaders to this Symposium</u>. If this is something you may be interested in, please let any member of the worship ministry team know. They are: Grace Deunk, Bea Vlieg, Wilbur Hofstra, Alyse Kwantes, Susan Schuurman and Pastor Jason.

**FAMILY FAITH FORMATION TIP** - Got questions about being a Christian parent? You're not alone. The Home Grown Handbook for Christian Parenting by Karen DeBoer shares answers to 111 real-life questions parents like you ask. It's available at FaithAliveResources.org. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

**WORLD RENEW CAREERS** - Career Opportunities at World Renew - If you are passionate about World Renew's work and advancing His kingdom, check out the variety of career opportunities with World Renew. Details and links to apply can be found at worldrenew.net/careers. Current opportunities include: Asia Ministry Team Leader preferably based in the Asia region; Director of Donor Relations, USA, based in Grand Rapids, MI.

**PRAY FOR INSPIRE 2019** - Inspire 2019 is a conference to connect people from across the 1000+ churches in the Christian Reformed Church for three days of worship, workshops, speakers, and conversation. As we plan and prepare for this event, happening August 1-3 in Windsor, Ont., please join us in praying for the event and all who will attend. This week, please pray for accessibility, and for people of all levels of ability to be included, involved, comfortable, and blessed. Pray that Inspire 2019 will be a true family reunion, reflecting the church in all its diversity and beauty.

More news and encouragement can be found at <a href="http://www.ebenezercrc.com/news">http://www.ebenezercrc.com/news</a>.

A paper copy is posted on the Bulletin Board.

### Thank You To Our Volunteers!

<u>Ushers</u>: Tim C, Bev C Next Week: Luke K, Andrew V

**Greeters**: James & Cindy H **Next Week**: Fred & Linda K

Welcome Centre: Jen F Next Week: Wendy T

**Coffee Duty:** Fred & Linda K, Gary & Jen F, Chelsea D

Next Week: Dennis & Ruby P, Terry & Alice V, Rob & Julie S

<u>Serving Elder</u>: Wilbur H **Next Week**: Freda MO

Worship Team: Grace D Next Week: Sandy V

<u>Projection & Audio</u>: Matt K/Jamie B Next Week: Mike R/Nicole V

**Nursery Supervisor** - Lisa K

Inf: Lisa K, Francine K, Laura A, Kaitlyn M

Tod: Mike D, Grace B, Reid T

**Next Week:** <u>Nursery Supervisor</u> - Tammy M

Inf: Tammy M, Angelica G, Carrie B, Ashley T

Tod: Dan H, Chelsea D, Ethan V

If you have a conflict, please arrange for a substitute. If you need help with this, please don't hesitate to call the office. You can find the volunteer schedules online at **ebenezercrc.com**.

