

September 29, 2019

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Welcome to Ebenezer!

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer. This morning we have the joy of celebrating the baptism of Joel and Candice P's son. We also get to think together about a time when Jesus taught about five different testimonies that all confirm the truth of His message. May we each be granted the faith to believe the message of Jesus and experience the presence of God as we worship together this morning. -Pastor Jason

WELCOME & PRAYER

SONG — *Come Away From Rush And Hurry*

GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

SONG — *Power Of Your Love*

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG — *What The Lord Has Done In Me*

BAPTISM

SONG - *Step By Step*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THANK OFFERING

1 - Ebenezer Ministries 2 - Youth Unlimited (National)

(children ages 3 - Grade 3 leave for Sunday School)

SONG - *Show Us Christ*

SCRIPTURE READING — **John 5: 31- 47**

SERMON — **Receiving the Testimonies to Jesus**

SONG — *I Love To Tell The Story*

PARTING BLESSING & CLOSING SONG — *Agnus Dei*

Church Family

This morning we celebrate with **Joel & Candice P** as they present their son, for the Sacrament of Baptism.

We extend our congratulations to **Mitchell and Diana M**, who were joined in marriage yesterday, September 28. May you experience God's rich blessing as you begin this journey together.

Congratulations to **Jay and Francine K** on the birth of their daughter born on September 20. We praise God for the blessing of new life and rejoice with you as you welcome this precious gift.

Congratulations to **Dick & Judy O** who celebrate 45 years of marriage on October 4. We rejoice with you as you celebrate God's faithfulness through the years!

MEAL TRAINS – Our church family has been blessed with a number of new babies this year!! And therefore we have a lot of meal trains going out. Thank-you to everyone who has signed up and brought meals to bless these families! It is truly amazing to see how quickly the meal trains fill up!

Council Highlights

Due to end-of-the-summer scheduling conflicts our council meeting was pushed back to September 17th. Our meetings always begin with devotions and prayer for the congregation. We then went on to discuss the new elder assignments. **Council gratefully accepts the support of Christina V as Council Clerk.** Henk S will take a break from serving as Education Elder in order to spend time caring for family in Holland and Roy V will step in to serve in his place. Freda MO will serve in the newly created role of Council Steward. This role will involve ensuring that decisions made by council are seen through to implementation and completion. We also briefly discussed possible agenda items for the upcoming Congregational meeting on November 21. Other items of discussion included the possibility of improving the parking lot (this was delegated to Administration for consideration), determining our delegates to the upcoming classis meeting (October 18-19), and the possibility of our council getting together for a meeting with the councils of Rimby and Ponoka for the purpose of mutual edification and encouragement. As always, if you have questions about our council meetings or have an item you would like discussed at council please speak with your district elder or Pastor Jason.

Delight In Creation

You care for the land and water it; you enrich it abundantly;
the streams of God are filled with water,
to provide the people with grain, for so you have ordained it.
Psalm 65:9

Last week we had over 45 children participate in our **DELIGHT CLASSES!** Today we will celebrate Water Stories! Our storytellers will share how their experience with water somewhere and somehow helped them understand the presence of God in creation.

We look forward to more Water Stories for October 6, 13, and 20. Please come and share your stories with us! Sign-up folder can be found on the Welcome Desk. Be brave—these kids are amazing, curious, and eager to hear you.

CADETS: It's that time of year again, when our boys' club here at Ebenezer CRC gets up and gets going! All boys from Grade 2-9 are invited to join us every other Wednesday evening from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the church. Regular club meetings start **this Wednesday, Oct 2nd**, and run until mid to late May. Registration forms and more information may be found on our website: <https://www.ebenezercrc.com/ministries/cadets>

Cadet Counselors: Since the beginning of the school year, we have received many more requests for information about the Cadet club at our church. With this growth, there is a need for more Counselors and Junior Counselors to join in and support this flourishing ministry we are so blessed to be able to provide for the boys in our community. Meetings happen every other Wednesday night, and we go on a few events a year; a Fishing Derby, Kub Kar Races, Cadet Sunday, and the always adventurous Annual Spring Campout! Please see Scott K or send an email to: leduccadets@gmail.com.

FRIENDSHIP MINISTRY: It is that time of year again to start planning for another season of Friendship. We are having a planning meeting, Oct 7th, 7:00 pm at the church. Please attend the meeting if you are involved with this ministry. Miriam will update the Safe Church requirement. Friendship begins on Oct 21st. Call Wendy B if you have any questions,

COFFEE BREAK WOMEN'S MINISTRY: Calling women of all ages and stages! We are excited to begin another season of friendship and growth together. *Our first meeting will be **this Wednesday, Oct 2nd** from 9:30 to 11am.* Mark your calendars! This fall our Bible Study is on the Fruit of the Spirit. We offer childcare for children 5 and under, in the nursery (ages 0 - 2), at Little Lambs (age 3), or at Story Hour (ages 4 & 5). For more info contact Marco D. Follow us on Facebook at Ebenezer CRC Coffee Break.

TODAY stop by our table in the foyer to check out our Bible Study book and ask your questions.



Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday, September 29	@	9:15 am	Weekly Prayer Meeting
	@	10:00 am	Worship Service
Wednesday, October 2	@	9:30 am	Coffee Break begins!
	@	6:30 pm	Cadets Boys Club begins!
Sunday, October 6	@	9:15 am	Weekly Prayer Meeting
	@	10:00 am	Worship Service
	@	11:45 am	Catechism class (Grades 7-11)

CATECHISM IS STARTING AGAIN! The waiting is over!! I've heard that many of our kids have been going through withdrawal as they languished during the summer months without catechism. But the long wait is over and we will resume our classes on **October 6!** This class is for Grades 7-11. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month in the council room after our church service from 11:45-1:15. Your catechumen should bring a lunch to eat during our class. This year we will be making our way through the glorious Belgic Confession. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Jason (aka PJ).

SENIORS GAMES DAY! All seniors are welcome to come out on Thursday, October 3 @ 10:00 a.m. for a morning of fun and games. Lunch will follow! Please rsvp to the church office by Tuesday, October 1.

LEDUC MINISTERIAL COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE at Peace Lutheran Church on October 6th, 2019 at 7:00pm. Come out as we celebrate together our shared life of faith. Let us raise our voices as we praise our God as the Body of Christ here in Leduc.

LOST AND FOUND Please check the Lost and Found table. Unclaimed items will be donated in October. Thank you!

BUDGET REQUESTS – It's that time of year again! The finance team is starting to draft the 2020 church budget. Please check your mailboxes for Ministry-specific Budget Forms. Please submit your budget requests by Sunday, October 6 in Ted Koopmans mailbox. 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.

2nd Offering: YOUTH UNLIMITED (NATIONAL) - Youth Unlimited is a non-denominational, non-profit ministry organization with the focus of assisting the Church and its many local congregations with their ministry to our youth. We strongly believe that the local church is the tool God longs to use to reveal Himself to this world. We know that taking the call of ministering to youth today is not easy or for the faint of heart. Therefore, we are blessed by encouraging, supporting, equipping and partnering with congregations across North America to reach this generation for Jesus Christ! Youth Unlimited is one of three ministries incorporated in an organization called **Dynamic Youth Ministries**. GEMS Girls' Club is a ministry for young girls and Cadets is the companion ministry for boys. Youth Unlimited is the co-ed ministry for high school youth. For more info see www.youthunlimited.org

Next Week: FEARFULLY & WONDERFULLY MADE

Denominational News

DAY OF ENCOURAGEMENT UPDATE: Workshop details and presenter information is available! The full brochure is available now at www.classisalbertanorth.ca/nadc where you can see and download it. Or email yournadc@gmail.com and I will send it to you as an attachment. Register at www.regonline.ca/doesdmonton2019

YOUNG ADULTS WORSHIP NIGHT: Looking for a worship event where other young adults are gathering together? Look no further. **REVIVE** is a worship event where young adults can join in praising God, encouraging one another and seeing what message the Lord has for his people. **REVIVE** is hosted at neighbourHouse Community Centre (mosaicHouse East CRC) 6811 92a Ave NW each last Sunday night of the month at 7:00 pm. Join others this Sunday evening (29th) for the beginning of a new season of worship and connecting to God with other young adults.

JEREMY BENJAMIN – WONDERLOVE TOUR CONCERT

Where: Covenant CRC, When: October 26 at 6:30 pm . See Bulletin Board for details.

More news and encouragement can be found at

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

A paper copy is posted on the Bulletin Board.

Thank You To Our Volunteers!

Ushers: Howard O, Ted K

Next Week: Marilyn Z, Andy Z

Greeters: John & Joyce D

Next Week: Gary & Jenny F

Welcome Centre: Marco D

Next Week: Linda K

Coffee Duty: Colin & Kara B, Brad & Lauren T, Michelle O

Next Week: Lieuwe & Fia B, Dave & Marilyn H, Arlene L.

Serving Elder: Terry V

Next Week: Freda MO

Worship Team: Grace D

Next Week: Matt K/Jamie B

Projection & Audio: Jordan/Jason

Next Week: Dav V/ATed K

Nursery Supervisor - Lisa K

Inf: Lisa K, Matt B, Yoka T, Bethany Gr

Tod: Mike D, Julie S, Elliott D

Next Week: Nursery Supervisor - Tammy M

Inf: Tammy M, Kendra F, Sandy V, Theo D

Tod: Natasha D, Warren T, Calum H



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 [ebenzercrc.com](http://www.ebenzercrc.com).

HARD EDGE/SOFT TOUCH, an exhibition of acrylic paintings by Christian artist Frank van Veen will be available for your delight and inspiration. See God's world through this artist's imagination. At VASA Art Galleries and Studios, 25 Sir Winston Churchill Avenue in St Albert. October 1 - November 2, 2019. Gallery hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10AM-5PM. You are invited to the opening reception Thursday Oct 3, 6-9 PM, the artist will be in attendance. Phone 780 460 5990. www.vasa-art.com