

October 20, 2019

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Welcome to Ebenezer!

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer! Today we have the privilege of welcoming the **Joyful Noise Choir** to help lead us in worshipping God. We also have the distinct joy of having **Jeremy Vandermeer** lead our service and preach God's Word. I am away this morning preaching at Centrepont CRC. Next week is Reformation Sunday and I am thrilled to announce that I have been able to secure William Tyndale to come and preach to us (which wasn't easy since he's been dead for 483 years!). Be blessed! --Pastor Jason

Choral Prayer

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS — *Like a River That Overflows*
Here Our Praises

GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

SONG — *Great Is He*

TIME OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

SONG - *You Alone*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THANK OFFERING

1 - Ebenezer Ministries 2 - Disability Concerns

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

SCRIPTURE READING — *Exodus 15: 22-27*

SERMON — *The Lord Our Healer*

SONG — *By Our Love*

PARTING BLESSING

CLOSING SONG - *Jesu Azali Awa (Congolese)*

Church Family

Congratulations to **Nick & Tamara P** on the birth of their daughter Avery Grace, born Saturday, October 12, 2019. We praise God for the blessing of new life and rejoice with you as you welcome this precious gift. Update: Tamara was taken to the hospital on Wednesday to have her appendix removed and remains in the hospital.

Luke & Alyse K left for Guatemala this past week to build a house and distribute 150 wheelchairs. They will work with a team of 14 men and women and will also deliver hygiene and Days for Girls packs, Solar panels and Spanish Children's Bibles, as well as provide treatment and education for those with mobility and pressure sore issues.. They are asking for prayer support for their travels and during their stay in Guatemala. For more information, see the poster in the Foyer.

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.

HELLO FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE! Two items to note...

1. New Volunteer Schedules: Look for the new volunteer schedules online at ebenezercrc.com (scroll down to the bottom of the Homepage and click "Volunteer Schedules", password: Ephesians) Also, a paper copy of the Master Schedule, October 2019 - January 2020, is in your mailbox. As always, if you need help finding a replacement, contact the office. Thank you for serving!
2. Facility Use: Have you noticed? We are bursting with ministries, families and babies! As the church continues to grow we have many groups and families use the building on Sundays and throughout the week. Please check in with the office staff to ensure the space you desire to use is available. Thank you!



821 million people around the world are hungry. In two weeks, we'll be observing World Hunger Sunday. But God wants more than an observance of days. He wants our hearts. **Make sure to pick up your World hunger Campaign devotionals today** and spend some time over the next two weeks considering His call to "spend ourselves on behalf of the hungry." its an amazing opportunity that comes with a profound promise.

Operation Christmas Child - We have the opportunity to bless children in the developing world by packing shoe boxes filled with items such as school supplies, toys and hygiene items. If you are able to participate please take a box (or boxes!) from the display in the foyer and bring it back before November 17th. If you have any questions please contact Leanne K.

Delight In Creation

*For God's eternal power and divine nature have been clearly perceived,
ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made.*

Romans 1:20

We have heard some great **Water Stories** this month and have been able to reflect on God's presence in water found in many parts of creation. Songs, artwork, and a drama session for the older students gave us more opportunity to learn about this amazing aspect of creation.

Land Stories are the plan for November. Do you have any experiences of God's nearness and care in the mountains? On the fields back home? Any spectacular or more quiet moments where rocks or canyons or soil or other aspects of land made God's creative work richer for you? If you have a story for us, please contact Joanne K or sign up at the office!

*Sing, O heavens, for our God has done it; shout, O depths of the earth;
break forth into singing, O mountains, O forest, and every tree in it!
For our God has redeemed us, and will be glorified in all the land.*

Isaiah 44:23

ANNUAL CHURCH BABY SHOWER: Don't miss your opportunity to celebrate our **nine youngest members!** Ladies, you are invited to show your support to our **nine** first time moms and their babies at our annual church baby shower, **Thursday, November 7, 7:30, in our fellowship hall.** Our guests of honour are: **Parker**, son of Brad and Lauren T, **Colton**, son of Graeme and Susan B, **Hailey**, daughter of Aaron and Heather L, **Lukas**, son of Wesley and Candice V, **Emma**, daughter of David and Nicole P, **Jacob**, son of Brenden and Alicia B, **Dirk**, son of Quentin and Alex A. **Thys**, son of Joel and Candice P, and **Avery**, daughter of Nick and Tamara P. If you wish to be a part of our group gift, please put your donation in the marked box at the Welcome desk (suggested donation \$3-\$5 for each baby). Donation envelopes are in your mailbox. We have tried our best to include all our first moms and babies but if we accidentally missed someone please call the church office so we can include them.

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday, October 20	@	9:15 am	Weekly Prayer Meeting
	@	10:00 am	Worship Service with the Joyful Noise Children's Choir
Monday, October 21	@	7:00 pm	Friendship Begins!
Wednesday, October 23	@	9:30 am	Coffee Break
	@	5:00 pm	Friendship Workshop & Dinner
	@	6:30 pm	GEMS Girls Club
Sunday, October 27	@	10:00 am	Reformation Sunday
		11:45 am	Catechism Class
Saturday, November 2		9:30 - 4pm	Day for Girls Work Bee

FRIENDSHIP NEWS: We begin our new year on **October 21st, 7-8:30 pm.** Please be a few minutes early to greet your Friend, they will be excited to see you!

On **Wednesday, October 23**, you are cordially invited to an evening of learning and sharing from Friendship staff and each other. This evening is a great opportunity to hone your skills whether you are experienced or new, a story teller, a musician, snack helper, mentor or group leader. Shellie Power (chairperson of FMC) and Heather DeBoer, (Canadian staff), plan to give you tips to keep your cherished group fresh and current. We'll have some music and craft ideas, a time to learn about our new curriculum, 'Together', how to engage and listen to our Friends. Won't you join us? Come and meet with others who love this program as you do.

October 23, 5-9 pm (or whenever you can make it) here at the church. We will welcome groups from Camrose, Wetaskiwin, Edmonton and Stony Plain. Dinner will be provided. Please let Wendy B know if you plan to attend.

DAYS FOR GIRLS: Come out on November 2nd, 9:30am - 4pm, for our next Days for Girls Work Bee. All are welcome, you do not have to know how to sew! Many hands make light (and fun!) work. For more information contact Linda H. Lunch will be provided. Please sign-up at the Welcome Center so that we can plan our food accordingly.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MENTOR MEETING: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 11:45 AM Soup and buns will be served. All mentors: please join us for a meeting to discuss the DELIGHT program in its early weeks. We look forward to all questions and suggestions! We hope to make this experience as educational and spiritually uplifting for our little ones and the adults as possible. Miriam P will offer the Safe Church refresher in the latter part of the meeting. All parents and other members interested in this program are welcome to join us.

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: DISABILITY CONCERNS Disability Concerns helps churches become healthier communities that intentionally seek

- To end the isolation and disconnectedness of persons with disabilities and their families;
- To nurture the spiritual lives of people with disabilities so that they become professing and active members of their churches; and
- To encourage the gifts of people with disabilities so that they can serve God fully in their churches.

For more info see crcna.org/pages/disability

Next Week: MISSIONARIES

Denominational News

REHOBOTH MEMBERSHIP MONTH! Look for the *October is Member Month* envelope in your mail slot or from your canvasser (Margaret TeVelde). Just fill in the information on the form and place it with your membership fee and/or donation (cheques can be made payable to Rehoboth Christian Ministries) and put them in the envelope provided and place it in mailbox #131 or place it in the basket at the welcome centre.

WITNESS FOR WOMEN All women and men are invited to an evening of reflection and mutual support as we approach the 25th anniversary, in 2020, of synod's decision to allow women's ordination. This marked the beginning of wider use of women's gifts in the CRC. Denise Posie, director of leadership development in Grand Rapids, will be our guest. Denise is excited to come to Edmonton to "listen, share and imagine with this gathering." Guest panel discussion included. Refreshments will be served. **Thursday, October 24**, at 7:00 pm at St. Albert CRC. RSVP: Edith Sinnema: edith.sinnema@gmail.com

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 pm. Join others for a season of worship and connecting to God with other young adults.

More news can be found at www.ebenezercrc.com/news.
A paper copy is posted on the Bulletin Board.

Thank You To Our Volunteers!

Ushers: Luke K, Andrew V

Next Week: Mike D, Dennis V

Greeters: Gerard & Wendy B

Next Week: Tim & Bev C

Welcome Centre: Jen F

Next Week: Wendy T

Coffee Duty: Jan & Gea T, Matt & Jamie B, Samantha C

Next Week: Dan & Natasha D, Warren & Carrie T, Janette G

Serving Elder: Henk S

Next Week: Art T

Worship Team: Joyful Noise Children's Choir

Next Week: Kerry Anne H

Projection & Audio: Mike R/ Nicole V

Next Week: Dan V/ Ted K

Nursery Supervisor - Kara B

Inf: Kara B, Emma H, Jay A, Cheyenne H

Tod: Brett L, Edith B, Levi H

Next Week: Nursery Supervisor - Carol W

Inf: Carol W, Brianne R, Laura A, Denelli H

Tod: David P, Grace B, Ryman 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 ebenezercrc.com.

CRC DIRECTORY 2020/21 ADVERTISEMENTS – The new 2020-2021 *Christian Reformed Church Directory of Greater Edmonton* is underway once again and ready for you to place your advertisement. Don't miss out on a super-low advertising price for your business for a two-year period of time and a user base of well over two thousand. Please call Brenda Paszek at 780.479.0738 or email at: dbpaszek@telusplanet.net for information. Advertising **deadline: Nov 1, 2019.**