

# Office Information & Contacts

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## Elders

Emily M

(Council Chair)

Roy V

(Vice Chair, Education)

Dan V

Quentin A

(Church Life)

Graeme B

Harold H

(Deacons)

Wilbur H

(Worship)

Scott K

John W

(Discipleship)

## Deacons

Fred K

(Chair)

Alyse K

(Secretary)

Brendan B

Dale H

Brett L

Birgit M

Warren T

Ed V



# BE GLAD AND REJOICE

the book of Philippians

## Welcome to our Service

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer, both in person and Livestream. To access the Livestream, visit our website: [www.ebenzercrc.com](http://www.ebenzercrc.com) and click on the Livestream button that appears at the top of the page.

### WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS — *Come thou Almighty King*

### GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET EACH OTHER

SONG — *Christians We Have Met To Worship*  
*Christ Will Be My Hideaway*

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**Phineas Ransom (son of Jordan & Alesha S)**

SONG — *All Hail The Power*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THANK OFFERING 1 - Ebenezer Ministries

2 - Reframe Ministries Canada

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*(ages 3 to Grade 3 are released for Sunday School)*

SCRIPTURE — **Philippians 1: 27—30**

SERMON — **Solid Together, Striving Forward**

SONG — *O Church Arise*

### PARTING BLESSING

CLOSING SONG — *What He's Done*

## Church Family

Today we celebrate the **Sacrament of Baptism** as Jordan & Alesha S will present their son **Phineas Ransom**. It is a day of rejoicing as we welcome this child into our church family.

Congratulations to **Gezinus & Bea M** on their 40th Wedding Anniversary! Praise God for this gift of covenant faithfulness! Many blessings in the days to come.

**Jenny V** had a fall last week and cracked her hip and broke her wrist. Please pray for a quick recovery.

We continue to pray for **Bev C, Gary F, Jacob H, KerryAnne H, Per & Bernice S, Bram V,** and **Colleen V.**

*If you are experiencing physical or emotional difficulties, please talk to your district Elder, a Deacon or call the church office. We want to support you on your journey.*

*If you would like a visit with Pastor Jason ...*

*feel free to contact him directly by phone (780-964-9844) or email (pastorjason@ebenzercrc.com) and set up a time for him to come and visit.*

**PRAYER CALENDAR:** The Discipleship ministry invites you to join with our new prayer calendar. Over the next week, the following families are invited to pray for the specific requests.

May 22: Those with Mental Health Concerns

May 23: Students and Summer Work

May 24: Ebenezer's Friendship Ministry

May 25: Mustard Seed Ministry

May 26: Faith Alive

May 27: Ebenezer Deacons

May 28: Ebenezer's Administration Team

May 29: Families with Young Children

The **May BANNERS** are available at the Welcome Centre.

## Council News

**SMALL GROUP VIDEOS ON HUMAN SEXUALITY** These videos are an invitation to a discussion. In the background is the Human Sexuality report of the CRCNA . This series of 10 minute videos put together by Classis Alberta North focuses on facilitating conversations regarding prejudice, shame, loneliness, desire, idolatry and hospitality.

The Ebenezer church council would like to present these short videos over the course of 6 weeks. These videos are an invitation to discussion and engagement. We journey together. We don't think the same or even agree on the best practices for ministry. But we can hold onto each other in the hope that together we can do better, lift burdens, open doors to each other's flourishing as a pilgrim people learning and growing in the grace of our Lord . Central to all good conversation is listening. We would be blessed to travel that journey together. If interested please talk to Harold H or Roy V .

**ROAD TRIP TO LACOMBE:** Anyone interested in a day of fun? We have tentatively planned a day trip to Lacombe on Monday June 6. Our itinerary is: leaving Leduc by 0930 to be at Pic and Pac Greenhouses by around 1030 for a tour of their 40 acres of amazing greenhouses and learn how they grow peppers and cucumbers hydroponically. Bring cash because after this we will stop at Gull Lake Honey Company to give people opportunity to buy some local Alberta honey. Lunch will be on your own but if the weather is conducive, it may be a perfect time to pack a lunch and lawn chair and have a picnic at Aspen Beach on Gull Lake. Otherwise, the Wooden Shoe in the village of Gull Lake has a restaurant where you can even buy, among other things, a croquette on a bun for lunch. The city of Lacombe also has a variety of restaurants.

After lunch we plan to go the Pic and Pac outlet store to allow you to buy fresh vegetables including peppers, tomatoes, and cucumbers plus more. You may also want to stop at the Wooden Shoe to stock up on your "droppie" supply.

If anyone wants to spend the entire day in Lacombe, we are "brewing" a special tour planned for the afternoon, but you will need to call us for the details.

Unfortunately, we are unable to rent any vans or buses at this present time. Everyone will have to drive their own vehicles but talk around and load up a car to join us for the day. If you can only do a half day, that is also fine. Please contact Dennis or Ruby for questions or to let us know if you plan to join us. We will need definite confirmation by noon on Wednesday, June 1 so we can confirm with the venues.

**SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT - SAVE THE DATE!** Players of all skill levels, we invite you to Ebenezer's Softball Tournament this summer - June 24-25 in Rolleyview. Camping, eating, softball and fellowship. Stay tuned for more details and start thinking about your teams! **REMINDER TO SAVE THE DATE!** this summer - June 24-25 our Ebenezer Family will be camping in Rolleyview! Camping, eating, softball and fellowship. Stay tuned for more details and start thinking about your teams!

## Coming Up @ Ebenezer

<b>Sunday, May 22</b>	@	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
<b>Tuesday, May 24</b>	@	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>College &amp; Careers</b>
<b>Sunday, May 29</b>	@	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>

**REFORMED: WHAT IT MEANS & WHY IT MATTERS** Thank you to those who have gathered for our study so far! We will resume our study next week, May 29 @ 7:00 pm. Contact: Charlene for more information or questions.



**LADIES, ARE YOU READY TO CELEBRATE?** We are excited to be able to finally plan our church bridal shower! Unfortunately, we have lost count of the brides from the last couple of years. If you know of a pandemic bride or future bride-to-be that would like to be one of our guests of honour please contact the church office. The bride does not need to be a present member of our church community at this time but either has grown up at Ebenezer or her hubby was a past member. Please give your names to the office by this Friday, May 13 so we can start planning this event to bless these women. Be sure to mark your calendar with these tentative dates for the shower, June 8 or 9, for an evening of fellowship, much needed laughter, blessings and fun!

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION** Our church is looking for an Administrative Assistant to work 2 days a week, 12 hours/week to fill a job-shared position in our church office. This position provides a consistent, but flexible, work schedule and shared office duties. If you have a passion for computer and office management skills, and demonstrate a positive attitude, kind demeanor and empathetic spirit, we encourage you to apply! For more information and to apply, please contact the church office.

**SAFE CHURCH TEAM**—The Admin Team is looking for a few people to serve on the Safe Church Committee. This team would meet approximately quarterly to make sure that our policy stays up to date and that our screening and training meets requirements. Please contact the church office for more information and to let us know if you would like to be part of this ministry.

**PUZZLE EXCHANGE:** Do you like to puzzle? Assorted puzzles available in the Church Library. Leave one, Take One!

# Deacon's Corner

**1st Offering — EBENEZER MINISTRIES** This offering is used to cover 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 CRC Denomination.

**2nd Offering — REFRAME MINISTRIES (CANADA)** Reframe Ministries (formerly Back to God Ministries )International exists to share the Gospel worldwide using radio, the Internet and other technology. Reframe Ministries International envisions a world where media is being used effectively to proclaim the good news that brings spiritual support, grows discipleship and transforms communities.

**NEXT WEEK 2nd Offering — DIACONATE** We can all be overwhelmed by the needs all around us. The deacons can face their ministry with the knowledge that the congregation stands with them in prayer and support. With your help deacons will exercise their gifts and serve the needs of the local church and the broader community. Much can be accomplished with God's grace in extending gifts of mercy.

Collections for April 2022	Amount
Ebenezer Ministries	\$23,946.00
Ebenezer Deacons	\$1,055.00
Coupons	\$1,400.00
Debt Reduction	\$930.00
Friendship Ministries	\$1,237.00
Missionaries	\$878.00
Rehoboth	\$447.30
World Renew: Refugees	\$1,567.00
World Renew: General	\$75.00
<b>Total Collected for April</b>	<b>\$31,535.30</b>
<b>Thank you for your giving this year!</b>	

**E-TRANSFER:** to send an e-transfer donation use [finance@ebenezercrc.com](mailto:finance@ebenezercrc.com).



**REFUGEE SUPPORT COMMITTEE UPDATE:** Thank you to all who attended, helped out in the kitchen, donated or purchased auction items at the dinner and auction for the Ukrainian refugees! We are happy to report that \$23,793.92 was raised for the Ukrainian refugees. The Refugee Support Committee will be meeting this week to determine exactly how this money can best be used to benefit refugees.

**SONRISE CAMP** ~ Are you looking for a great place to send your teens for a week this summer? Then look no further! Sunrise Camp is a rustic camp that is located just outside of Rocky Mountain House and is run by the First Christian Reformed Church of Rocky. We provide a week of Bible lessons, WIDE games, trips to a local lake, exciting out trips and much, much more – all supervised by caring, Christian counselors!! We offer two camps; one for ages 10 – 12 from July 10 -15, 2022 and one for ages 13 – 15 from July 17 - 22, 2022. If you would like more information or registration forms, please contact Marie Aasman at [m1aasman@hotmail.com](mailto:m1aasman@hotmail.com) or 403-845-4438.

**TEEN TIME CAMP** - Have a desire to work with kids and be at camp this summer? Teen Time is hiring for all summer positions! Cabin Leaders, Lifeguard and Barn Staff. Please send in your resume to the office at [info@teentime.ab.ca](mailto:info@teentime.ab.ca). If you are able to volunteer at any of our camps this summer please fill in our summer staff forms and submit it to our office. The forms can be found at the following link. <http://teentime.ab.ca/StaffSection/tabid/62/Default.aspx>

Teen Time of Edmonton is a Christian non-profit summer camp for youth ages 7-17 and is located about an hour and a half north of Edmonton. We are seeking staff and volunteers for this upcoming summer. More info about Teen Time can be found here <http://teentime.ab.ca/Aboutus/tabid/56/Default.aspx>. If anyone is interested and wants to talk more they can contact me, Josh Arcand, at [josh@teentime.ab.ca](mailto:josh@teentime.ab.ca)

## Thank You To Our Volunteers

**WORSHIP TEAM:** Wilbur

**NEXT WEEK:** Josiah/Lois

**PROJECTION & AUDIO:** Dan/Ted

**NEXT WEEK:** Seth/Mike

**SERVING ELDER:** Roy V

**NEXT WEEK:** John W

**GREETERS:** Gerard & Wendy B

**NEXT WEEK:** James & Cindy H

**USHERS:** Dennis P, Ruby P

**NEXT WEEK:** Alive V, Jan T

**WELCOME CENTER:** Alyse K

**NEXT WEEK:** Wendy T

**COFFEE DUTIES:** Dan & Christina V  
Elly M

**NEXT WEEK:** Brendan & Alisha B  
Gezinus & Bea M

**NURSERY:** Michelle T, Lauren T, Sophia M

**NEXT WEEK:** Christina V, Mariska Z, Jillian C

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

**NEXT WEEK:**

AGE 3/4: Karen H, Levi

AGE 3/4: Kara B, Jackson

K/Grade 1: Glen H, Jachin

K/Grade 1: Maricha K, Elliot

Grade 2/3: Joanne K, Ethan

Grade 2/3: Karen G, Clara