EBENEZER Christian Reformed Church

Restoring all people to God's living truth and equipping them passionately live it out!

December 31, 2017

Welcome to Ebenezer!

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer on this final Sunday of 2017. In keeping with our tradition that we started last year, on the Sunday after Christmas our sermon is directed at the young people with only a short word for the adults at the end. We'll be hearing part 2 of the Pilgrim's Progress which we began last year. May the Lord richly bless you in the year to come!

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen. but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Welcome and Prayer

Song: Angels We We Have Heard On High Greeting Songs: Behold Our God Holy, Holy, Holy Time of Confession and Assurance of Pardon Songs: Before the Throne of God Above Faithful One Announcements **Congregational Prayer** Thank Offering: 1 - Ebenezer Ministries 2 - Deaconate Sermon Title: Pilgrim's Progress Part 2 Sermon Text: 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 Song: Agnus Dei

Parting Blessing

Song: All Glory Be to Christ

Please join us for refreshments and a time of fellowship after the service!

Church Family

Congratulations to **Johan & Tammy M** on the birth of their daughter, **Chelsea Eva Joy!** A new little sister for Stella, Sophia, and Natalie. We rejoice with you and your family in this wonderful blessing!

2017 DONATIONS - The cut off for 2017 donations is today's collection. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS - The church office will be open 9:00am - 12:00 pm January 2-5.

CUSTODIAN - Ebenezer will be hiring a new Custodian/Caretaker in the new year. Approximately 16 hours per week. If you have any questions about the position, please contact Pete V or Fia B. Please submit a resume and cover letter to the church office by January 7, thank you. If no applications are received by that date we will begin advertising externally.

WIDOWED LUNCH BUNCH - We will meet on January 7, at 12:30, for lunch at the home of Lieuwe and Fia B. We welcome anyone who is a widow or widower.

Comíng Up @ Ebenezer Monday (Jan 1) 11:00 am New Year's Day Service Sunday (Jan 7) 9:15 am Weekly Prayer Meeting in Library 10:00 am Worship Service

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 - DEACONATE - Deacons are church officers whose main job description is to administer the mercy of Christ to all people. The deacons are also called upon to motivate the members of Christ's church to faithful, obedient stewardship of their resources on behalf of the needy. Along with loving deeds and with gifts of money and assistance, the deacons serve the needy with counsel, leading people to see the grace of our loving Savior and recognizing the Lord through whom all blessings flow.

New Year's Day - SEAFARER'S MINISTRY - a Vancouver-based CRC organization dedicated to caring for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of seafarers visiting the port.

Next Week - LEDUC FOOD BANK- Serveing a population of approximately 55, 000. Their mission is to promote human dignity, bring surplus food together with people in need, lend support to other agencies that care for those in crisis and develop community awareness, co-operation and education. For more info see leducfoodbank.ca

Ushers: John T, Howard , Ted NY: Ruby Dennis P, Luke NW: Andrew, Andy, Marilyn
Greeters: Gary & Jenny F NY: Hank & Henny G NW: Gerard & Wendy B
Coffee Duties: Joel & Candice P, Dan & Emily M, Elly M
New Year's: Rudy & Karen G, Andy & Arja T, Dale & Karen H
Next Week: Darren & Scarlett H, Rob & Julie S, John A
Worship Team: Youth New Year's: Alice & Team Next Week: Youth
Projection & Audio: Dan & Ted New Year's: Wes & Pete Next Week: Ted & Dan
Serving Elder: Norm H New Year's: Jordan S Next Week: Henk S
Nursery: Sup - Carol W Inf: Carol W, Linda H, Sophie C Tod: Jon L, Christina P, Grace C
New Year's: Sup-Carol W Inf: Alinda B, Grace B, Lois D Tod: John W, Charlene V
Next Week: Sup-Kelly H Inf: Francine, Jenny F, Andrea Tod: Kelly H, Derrick M, Naomi G

Scheduled Volunteers, Ministry Information & Contacts

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