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**EBENEZER**  
Christian Reformed Church

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

# Welcome to Ebenezer!

We are very glad you have joined us today! Pastor Frank DeBoer is bringing us God's message. All are welcome to join us for coffee, tea, juice, birthday cake and time of fellowship afterwards.

Welcome & Prayer

**Song: We Worship You**

God's Greeting

**Song: The Perfect Wisdom of our God**

Time of Confession & Assurance

**Song: I Lift My Eyes Up**

Announcements & Congregational Prayer

Children's Message

**Thank Offering:**

**1 - Ebenezer Ministries**

**2 - Deaconate**

*(Children age 3 & 4 leave for Children's Church)*

**Scripture: Revelation 7:9-17**

**Sermon: Comforted Under One Shepherd**

**Song: Psalm 23**

Parting Blessing

**Song: By the Sea of Crystal**



## Church Family

**Birthday Cake** will be served after the service today in honour of **Joyce D** who will celebrate her **84th birthday** today (Sept 2) and **Albert T** who will celebrate his **89th birthday** on Sept 3. We rejoice with you and your families in these special milestones!

Congratulation to **Dave & Marilyn H** who will celebrate their **30th Anniversary** on Sept 3! May God continue to bless you and your family!

**THANK YOU** to Ebenezer for all the expressions of sympathy in the recent passing of my father. Carol and John W.

We continue to remember others who are struggling with physical or emotional difficulties. We pray that God will provide you all with peace, comfort and healing.



### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH DIRECTOR ASSISTANT NEEDED FOR**

**SEPTEMBER** - September is quickly approaching and we are looking for someone to assist our Children's Director starting in September. If you have questions please contact Carrie T

**CHURCH SCHOOL SIGNUP:** There will be a sign up sheet for volunteers at the back of the church for children's church.

**IN YOUR MAILBOXES TODAY,** you will find your 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter giving report, which also includes Ebenezer's Financial Statement ending June 30. You will also find a copy of "Ministry Shares Explained" from CRCNA. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or stop by the office and talk to Jen F.

**COFFEE BREAK LADIES!** In anticipation of our official kickoff on October 3, we will be organizing a park meet-up each Wednesday in September! This Wednesday (Sept 5), come on out to Fred Johns park at 9:30; even if you don't have children, we'd love to see you! More info or any changes can be found on our Coffee Break Facebook page or by contacting Alesha S.

**FOODBANK GARDEN:** The Harvest has started! Thank you to everyone that has helped out in the garden this year. If you have some free time and would like to help with the harvest (eg. digging potatoes, picking bean, peas, carrots, kale, squash etc) the gardening team would appreciate it. Contact Dennis P, Jen F or Carolyn D.

**UPDATED DIRECTORY INFO-** Anyone who has new contact information, including mailing addresses, phone numbers, or emails, please contact the church office by September 14 so the new photo directory can be accurate. Anyone who attends our church and considers us their church family, including newcomers, are welcome to be part of the photo directory. Please contact the church office with your contact information and photo if you'd like to add it too. Thank you!



**OLD CHURCH SIGN** - If anyone is interested in the old church sign complete with lettering, please let the office know. If you'd like to see it, it is behind the church.

**FAMILY FAITH FORMATION TIP** - To help kids understand what happens in church, be a "worship whisperer." Point out the different sections of the liturgy. Explain what "confession" means, or share with your child why a certain song is meaningful to you. (Faith Formation Ministries; [crcna.org/FaithFormation](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation)).

## 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.

**Next Week - Calvin Seminary (Distance Learning).** Calvin Theological Seminary exists to serve the Christian Reformed Church in North America and wider constituencies by preparing persons for biblically faithful and contextually effective ministry of the Word and by offering Reformed theological scholarship and counsel. For more information see [calvinseminary.edu](http://calvinseminary.edu).

**KNOWING OUR TRUE IDENTITY** - At our core, are humans naturally good or naturally evil? More personally we ask: who am I? What shapes my identity? Join Groundwork in studying Genesis 1:27, Psalm 8, Acts 17:24-28, and Romans 3:9-20 to discover why we believe humans are both children of God and sinners. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**NO OTHER GODS** - When Liz and Spike discover the "Talisman of Omou" while cleaning the clubhouse, they are suddenly the most popular kids in school because this talisman is supposed to grant wishes. Liz and Grandpa decide to teach the kids a lesson "Elijah style." Subscribe for free at [etkidscorner.com](http://etkidscorner.com). Free Giveaway: Kids Corner's "Know Your Bible Activity Book, Part 3!" Can you figure out all Kids Corner Bible puzzles? [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net).

**FAMILY FIRE** - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and +intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at [familyfire.com](http://familyfire.com). Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook

## Coming Up @ Ebenezer

- Sunday, Sept 9 @ 9:15 am** Weekly Prayer Meeting in the Library
- @ 10:00 am** Worship Service
- Wednesday, Sept 4 @ 9:30 am** CoffeeBreak Park Meet-up @ FredJohns Park
- Tuesday, Sept 18 @ 7:30 pm** Church School Meeting
- Saturday, Sept 29 @ 10:00 am** Foodbank Garden Harvest

**PEACE HILLS YOUTH FOR CHRIST FUNDRAISER:** A motorcycle scavenger hunt fundraiser is planned for September 8 @ 11:00 AM. The cost is \$99 and includes BBQ and Prizes. You can register at [www.peacehillesyfc.com](http://www.peacehillesyfc.com). See poster for more information.

**MEN'S MINISTRY OF MUSIC** – Edmonton Christian Male Choir is an ecumenical ministry choir bringing God's word in song to seniors and nursing homes, worship services and in concerts. Rehearsals for our 32nd season start on Monday, September 10 at 7:25 p.m. at the Cornerstone United Reformed Church of Edmonton, 11610 – 95A St NW. Come join other Christian men as we sing to the glory of God in His ministry. Find out more about ECMC at [www.facebook.com/ECMChoir](http://www.facebook.com/ECMChoir) or email [ecmchoir@gmail.com](mailto:ecmchoir@gmail.com)

**SHRED FEST** - MEMBER APPRECIATION EVENT! Please join us on Saturday, Sept. 8, from 8:30 am to 11 am. Enjoy FREE paper shredding, Dutch pancakes (Poffertjes), activities and prizes. Guests are welcome! Where: Christian Credit Union – Edmonton Branch, 13504-142 Street NW [www.christiancu.ca](http://www.christiancu.ca)

**SAVE THE DATE for the ALIES/BACK PORCH** annual educational event this fall. Our guest speaker, Abby Johnson, is a former Planned Parenthood Clinic Director who is now, by the grace of God, a prolife advocate and best-selling author. Join us to hear her story while enjoying a banquet dinner at the Edmonton Inn & Conference Centre on Friday, September 21st. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Tickets are \$25 and are available at [www.alies.ca/event](http://www.alies.ca/event).

**MOVING INTO THE NEIGHBOURHOOD...** Come and journey with us as we learn how to use our imaginations in joining the "Missio Dei" in our neighbourhoods. We explore the values and practices that have shaped different leaders and churches on God's mission right where they live. Through their journey, we'll discover more about what it means to be a good neighbour in our local communities as we seek to bear witness to the shalom of God's kingdom through faithful presence. Together, we will walk away encouraged and equipped to take the next step in our own neighbourhoods. Join us for our two-day "Into the Neighbourhood" workshop be held in Edmonton. For more information see [www.forgecanada.ca](http://www.forgecanada.ca).

# Kid's Sermon Notes

by \_\_\_\_\_

What was your favourite song?



Who is preaching?

What is the main Bible passage?

Book:

Chapter:

Verse:



Draw a picture of something you heard today, either from a song or from the sermon.

What can we learn from this passage?

What would you like to pray about?



List some words you heard but don't understand:



## Community & Denominational Announcements

**THE MICAH CENTRE AND THE INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES** department at The King's University are hiring a part-time administrative assistant for the upcoming school year, September – May. If you are interested in helping college students grow into curious, faithful, justice-seeking young people through a part-time, flexible job in a vibrant community of learning, please go to [kingsu.ca/careers](http://kingsu.ca/careers) to learn more.

**KINGS UNIVERSITY HARVEST BANQUET & SILENT AUCTION** - Join us for our annual Harvest Banquet as King's community celebrates God's goodness. Feast on a full Thanksgiving dinner paired with a guest speaker and striking cords from the evening's musical entertainment as you bid on unique auction items supporting student scholarships on Saturday, September 29, from 5:00 - 9:30 pm. General tickets are \$75.00. For more information or to purchase your tickets you can call the Development office at 780.465.8314.

**SINGER-SONGWRITER JEREMY BENJAMIN** is bringing his **I AM NOT MY OWN TOUR** to Edmonton! Join us and invite your friends as Jeremy leads worship on Sunday, September 2 at 10:30am and performs on Friday, September 7 at 7pm. The event will take place at Covenant Christian Reformed Church (19010 87 Ave NW) and proceeds will go to World Renew, Edmonton Native Healing Centre, and Jeremy's Worship ministry, so come prepared to give generously! Find out more by calling 1-800-730-3490 or at [iamnotmyown.org](http://iamnotmyown.org).

## Thank You to Our Volunteers

**Ushers:** Andrew V, Dennis V

**Next Week:** Marilyn Z, Andy Z

**Greeters:** Dick & Judy O

**Next Week:** Ed & Monica V

**Coffee Duties:** Wilbur & Linda H, Janette G, Dan & Emma H

**Next Week:** Derek & Jackie D, Warren & Carrie T, Samantha C

**Serving Elder:** Andy T

**Next Week:** Art T

**Worship Team:** Grace & Team

**Next Week:** Youth

**Projection & Audio:** Jamie & Matt

**Next Week:** Ted & Dan

**Nursery: Supervisor** - Christine H Linda K

**Inf:** Linda K, Emily Mu, Lois D

**Tod:** Colin B, Laura A, Amy A

**Next Week: Supervisor** - Tammy M

**Inf:** Tammy M, Charlene V, Sophie C

**Tod:** Dan M, Grace B, Grace C

**Children's Church:**

**3 year olds:** No Church School

**Next Week:** Karen H & Ryman H

**4 year olds:** No Church School

**Next Week:** Kim M & Kierra M

