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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!

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer!

If our journey through the Heidelberg Catechism is a marathon then we've just hit kilometre 40. We're on the home stretch! We conclude our time in the catechism with a meditation on the Lord's Prayer. May the Lord use these familiar and precious words to "teach us to pray."

## Lord's Day 45

Welcome & Prayer

Songs: **What Can I Do?**  
**Come Now is the Time to Worship**

Greeting/We Greet Each Other

Song: **What the Lord Has Done in Me**

Time of Confession and Assurance

Song of Response: **Be Still and Know**

Congregational Prayer

Thankoffering:

**1 - Ebenezer Ministries**

**2 - Race Relations**

Children's Message  
*(Children ages 3 - Grade 3 leave for Sunday School)*

**Scripture: Luke 11: 1-4**

**Catechism: Q&A 116, Q&A 118**

**Message: The Prayer of our Lord (Part 1)**

Song of Response:

**Great is Thy Faithfulness**

Parting Blessing

Parting Song:

**My friends May You Grow in Grace**

Q 116. Why do Christians need to pray?  
A. Because prayer is the most important part of the thankfulness God requires of us. And because God gives his grace and Holy Spirit only to those who pray continually and groan inwardly, asking God for these gifts and thanking God for them.

Q 118. What did God command us to pray for?  
A. Everything we need, spiritually and physically, as embraced in the prayer Christ our Lord himself taught us.

## Church Family

**Shirley** continues to improve and has been released from the Grey Nun's Hospital. Praise God for continued healing and grace! **Andy** continues to be under doctors care for his heart and kidneys. They would like to thank everyone for their prayers, love and concern! A big thank-you to everyone who has taken time to drive Andy to the hospital! Please continue to pray for daily strength for both Andy and Shirley.

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.

### COFFEE BREAK STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY!

Women of the church! Please join us each Wednesday morning as we study God's Word together. We seek to be a group of women who are growing in closeness to God and each other. We share our lives and encourage each other to be Christ-followers. This year we will be studying the book *A Woman After God's Own Heart* by Elizabeth George. And yes, we have great snacks! All ages and stages welcome! Childcare provided for ages 0-5.



### HOSTS NEEDED:

**THE WIDOWED LUNCH BUNCH** is looking for families who would like to host a light lunch, once a month, on Sunday afternoons. Over the last 2 winters a small group of widowed folks have been going to various family's homes for a light lunch. We have really enjoyed these times and are eager to start up again for the new season. Sometimes Sundays can be long days for us so being able to visit in someone's home is a special blessing. A light lunch of soup and buns is enjoyed and after the meal, over coffee, we are blessed in getting to know each other better. Sometimes a board game is played and a good time is had by all. If you are interested in hosting the Widowed Lunch Bunch, or if you would like to know more about this group, then please contact Beth.

**BUDGET REQUESTS** - Please check your mailboxes for your Ministry Budget Request Form. If you did not receive one, contact Jen at the Church Office.

## Ministry Needs

### CADET COUNSELORS NEEDED:

In order to integrate the younger Junior Cadet Program, we need Counselors.

Our first regular Cadet meeting will be on **Wednesday, October 17th**. Our Cadet club is still earnestly looking for 2 to 3 men to join as Counselors, and 2 more Junior Counselors (Grade 10-12 students).

Men of our congregation, please take a moment to think and pray about your involvement with this ministry within our church - *remember that you may be the only example of a committed Christian man that some of the boys in the club will ever see.*

You have the opportunity to help grow the next generation in our church; help us build a strong faith foundation for these boys.

If you are interested in helping our boy's ministry, please email [leduccadets@gmail.com](mailto:leduccadets@gmail.com), or feel free to talk to Scott Klooster.

"Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith." Hebrews 13:7



### HELP NEEDED!

**CLASSIS ALBERTA NORTH FALL MEETING** will be held here, on Friday, October 12 and Saturday 13. We have been asked to prepare two lunches and a supper for approximately 100 people! There are many ways to help out (serving and preparing food, setting up tables and chairs, cleaning up after the event,). We are also looking for some food donations (soup and baking).

Please check out the signup sheet on the bulletin board by the mailboxes or contact Jen. Many hands make light work!

**GREETERS AND USHERS** - Romans 15:7 encourages us to "welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you." If this stirs your heart, contact the church office to begin serving today!

**DIRECTOR'S ASSISTANT NEEDED:** Do you have a heart for children and the gift of administration? Please talk to Carrie Tolsma about serving in our Sunday School program this Fall.

## Coming Up @ Ebenezer

<b>Sunday, Sept 30 @ 9:15 am</b>	Weekly Prayer Meeting in the Library
<b>@ 10:00 am</b>	Worship Service
<b>@ 11:45 am</b>	Catechism for Grades 7-10 begins
<b>Monday, Oct 1 @ 7:00 pm</b>	Friendship Volunteer Meeting
<b>Wednesday, Oct 3 @ 9:30 am</b>	CoffeeBreak Starts!
<b>Sunday, Oct 7 @ 9:15</b>	Weekly Prayer Meeting in the Library
<b>@ 10:00 am</b>	Worship Service

## Calendar Announcements

**COFFEE BREAK LADIES!** Come out to our first meeting of the season. Please note the change in time. We now will meet from 9:30-11:00am. See you then! If you have any questions contact Marco or Alesha .

**FRIENDSHIP VOLUNTEER MEETING** Monday October 1 @ 7:00 pm. We are excited to begin our 11<sup>th</sup> year on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. We would like to meet with our volunteers on October 1 at 7:00 pm to discuss new plans for the coming year and to share ideas that you may have! We are so thankful for all of you caring volunteers who give of your time!

**CATECHISM: Are you in Grade 7-10?** Then you are invited to participate in our **Sunday Catechism** class. Join us today for our first meeting of the new ministry year. We will meet every second and fourth Sunday of the month. Our meetings take place in the council room after church from 11:45-1:15. Make sure you bring a lunch. This year we'll be studying the Heidelberg Catechism and the book "In Christ Alone" by Sinclair Ferguson. It's going to be a great year! If you have any questions, contact Pastor Jason.

**CLASSIS EXAMINATION:** On October 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:50-10:30 AM Pastor Jason is scheduled to be examined by classis. The examiners who will be interviewing Pastor Jason are Pastor John Ooms and Pastor Bob DeMoor. The examination will take place in the sanctuary here at Ebenezer and it is open to the public.

## 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 - RACE RELATIONS:** The Ministry of Race Relations is mandated by synod "to design, organize, and implement programs that will assist the denomination, churches, and members in eliminating the causes and effects of racism within the body of believers and throughout the world." Because there is a need for leaders and their congregations to have more effective ministry in the diverse communities they serve, there is also a need to have assistance in becoming culturally intelligent. The Office of Race Relations offers the resources and tools to develop this capacity. For more info see [crcna.org/race](http://crcna.org/race)

**Next Week - WORLD RENEW DRS:** World Renew's Disaster Response Services shows God's love and brings hope to disaster-affected communities in Canada and the US by restoring the homes and lives of those who are most vulnerable. DRS was involved with natural disasters in 2017 including the BC wild fires, flooding in Quebec and Ontario and various flooding, tornadoes and hurricanes in the United States. For more information see [worldrenew.net](http://worldrenew.net)

**DO YOU FEEL EQUIPPED AS A CHURCH LEADER?** Ben Bentum, Tom Baird, Gerald Van Smeerdyk and others are leading workshops that may interest you. This year's Day of Encouragement is on November 3rd at The King's University. We will have music by special guest Clinton Richardson. Look for brochures in your church or go to [www.classisalbertanorth.ca/nadc](http://www.classisalbertanorth.ca/nadc) to view details. Register at [www.regonline.ca/doe2018edmonton](http://www.regonline.ca/doe2018edmonton). For more information contact NADC: 780-819-7488 or [yournadc@gmail.com](mailto:yournadc@gmail.com)

## Did you know?

Days for Girls volunteers and enterprises have reached more than 1 Million women and girls with menstrual health solutions and education!

Save the date - **Saturday, November 3rd** will be our next opportunity to participate in this wonderful mission. Contact Linda with any questions.



## Denominational News

**OCTOBER IS REHOBOTH MEMBERSHIP MONTH!** Why not join thousands across Alberta as a Rehoboth member and support the ministry of supporting persons with developmental disabilities! Membership fees are just \$10 each and additional donations of any amount are also greatly appreciated. Look for the *October is Member Month* envelope in your mail slot or from your canvasser (Margaret TeVelde). Thank you.

**WORLD RENEW** - Help in the Philippines after Typhoon Mangkhut - Category 5 Typhoon Mangkhut affected nearly 6 million people in the Philippines last weekend, with 267 km/hr winds and heavy rain that caused mudslides and major flooding. More than 80 people were killed and many are still missing. World Renew is in touch with the Christian Reformed Church in the Philippines so that we can respond quickly to families affected by Mangkhut. Please consider giving generously to World Renew's "International Rapid Reponse Fund" after Mangkhut. Give online at [worldrenew.net/donate](http://worldrenew.net/donate), call 800-730-3490 or send your cheque for World Renew, marked "International Rapid Response Fund" in the memo line, to: 3475 Mainway, STN LCD 1, Burlington, ON L7R 3Y8.

**More news and encouragement can be found at <http://www.ebenzercrc.com/news>. Paper copies are located at the information table outside the sanctuary. Thank you!**

## Thank You to Our Volunteers

**Ushers:** Andrew V, Howard O

**Next Week:** Ted K, Dennis V

**Greeters:** Gary & Jen F

**Next Week:** Luke & Alyse K

**Coffee Duties:** Brent & Lisa K, Graeme & Susan B

**Next Week:** Bryan & Emily M, Pete & Brigit M, Eveline T

**Serving Elder:** Grace B

**Next Week:** Herman B

**Worship Team:** Alice & Team

**Next Week:** Jordan & Team

**Projection & Audio:** Wes & Pete

**Next Week:** Dan & Ted

**Nursery: Supervisor - Janette G**

**Inf:** Janette G, Jamie B, Bethany G

**Tod:** Jay K, Carrie B, Damien

**Next Week: Nursery Supervisor - Christine H**

**Inf:** Jenna D, Alicia B, Anke K

**Tod:** Christine H, Natasha D, Ed V, Levi H

