

**EBENEZER CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**

**April 22, 2018**



# Good Morning and Welcome to Ebenezer!

We are glad you are here to worship with us today! It's a special day as we celebrate baptisms, profession of Faith, new members and GEMS Sunday! We pray that you would feel God's presence and guidance as we seek to walk in His steps!

Welcome

Song: **You're Worthy of My Praise**

**Jesus, Name Above All Names**

God's Greeting

Song: **Step by Step**

Confession and Assurance

Song: **Hosanna, I See the King of Glory**

Litany and GEMS Theme Song

Sacrament of Baptism and Profession of Faith

Welcoming New Members

Sing: **How Great Thou Art**

Congregational Prayer

Thank Offering:

**1 - Ebenezer Ministries**

**2 - GEMS Ministries**

Scripture: 1 John 2:1-11

Message: In His Steps

Song: **Be Unto Your Name**

Parting Blessing

Song: **Lion of Judah**

Please join us for coffee, tea, juice and cake after the service!



## Church Family

Happy Birthday wishes to **Evelyn T** as she celebrates a birthday this week!

We are thankful to God for a full recovery for **Jenny R** after an experience with transient global amnesia this week. She would like to thank everyone for their prayers and concern.

Please pray for **Tammy H**. She has been dealing with heart concerns and also stroke-like symptoms. We pray for a clear diagnosis and treatment plan.

A Great Thank you to you all for the cards, prayers, and best wishes for my Birthday. We want to thank you all who were standing by us in thoughts and prayers and concern in our moving endeavor. Your prayers have given us the strength to move on to the next .... Even in the valley, God makes us useful for His purposes.

**Cor and Joyce H**

Also, please remember in your prayers those who are struggling with illness or injury, those recovering from surgery, and those who are grieving. We pray God's peace, comfort, and healing for those dealing with these issues.

**BAPTISMS AND NEW MEMBERS** - Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism of **Emma C** and the Baptism and Profession of Faith of **Teagan S**. We also look forward to welcoming **Teagan S, Emily H, Jon and Sandy V** and their children, **Derek, Carter and Taylor** as new members of our church!

**Lord's Supper** - Lord willing, we look forward to celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sunday May 6.

**TONIGHT!** - Jenninah Kabiswa, team leader for **World Renew, Kenya**, will be coming to Ebenezer tonight at 7:30 pm to speak about the communities and people we are supporting through World Renew. This is a great way to continue to learn, connect and be inspired together. Everyone one is welcome and encouraged to attend. You are welcome to bring a small plate of goodies to share.

**Church Garage Sale** - A garage sale/bake sale is being planned for May 17-19. If you have any items to donate please set them aside, and if you are able to donate baking for the baking table that would be appreciated! If anyone is able to help set up on May 15 and 16th, work at the sale or help with clean up, please contact Bea M.



**DAYS FOR GIRLS** - Days for girls volunteers and enterprises have reached more than one million women and girls around the world giving them back days of dignity, health and opportunity through menstrual health solutions and education. Every kit counts! Thank you to the many volunteers of the Leduc, AB team. Thank you for your participation in any way. Without ALL of you we would not have a team. **Due to several scheduling conflicts we have decided to change the date of the next DFG's work bee to May 26th from 9-3, at the church.** Please sign up on the sign up sheet by the bulletin board. If you have any questions contact Linda H. Hope to see you there.



**COVENANT MARKETPLACE** - We at Covenant Christian School would like to invite you and your congregation to come and attend our Family Marketplace and Fundraising Auction on April 28th from 10am to 4pm. This event truly is FUN for all ages. There will be carnival games, bouncy houses, yummy treats, and face painting for the children! The wonderful boutiques, coffee shoppe and bakery are sure to interest the adults. Stay and enjoy lunch at our Bistro and take in the live and silent auction! This is the largest fundraiser for Covenant Christian School. We appreciate your support!

**Hospitality Opportunities** - We are looking for some volunteers to serve lunch on Saturday, May 5th at Rolf and Collen's wedding. We also need some volunteers to prepare and serve lunch at a classis meeting on Saturday, May 12th and also at a dinner later that day for a small gathering celebrating a 60th wedding anniversary. Please call or e-mail Jen F to sign up.

**To the Congregation of Ebenezer CRC, Leduc:** World Renew would like to extend our deep appreciation to your church for your gifts of \$11,129.09 received in Winter 2018 for our World Hunger campaign, Canadian Foodgrains Bank projects, Maternal & Child Health programs, and more. Through your support, World Renew is able to support communities through poverty, disaster and injustice--and God is changing stories of hardship into stories of hope. May you continue in your eagerness to do good, spurred on by the gift of new life freely given to us by Christ's redemption on the cross (Titus 2:14). To stay connected to the transformation taking place through World Renew, visit [worldrenew.net](http://worldrenew.net) and sign-up for our e-news.

### Classis Minutes

There are copies of the Minutes of Classis Alberta North available on the table in the foyer. The minutes are also available on-line at our Classis website at [www.classisalbertanorth.ca/](http://www.classisalbertanorth.ca/)

## 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 - GEMS** - The **mission** of GEMS Girls' Clubs is to help bring girls into a living, dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ. Our **vision** is to see girls around the world actively and enthusiastically expressing love for God and others—girls equipped, motivated, and passionately engaged in living out their faith. Together, our goal for every club meeting is to grow bigger hearts. Together, we will learn how to love and care for one another, other people, ourselves, and our relationship with God. And we'll do this by learning about Jesus Christ, what He has done for us, and His plans for each of our lives. For more info see [gemsac.org](http://gemsac.org)

**Next Week - FRIENDSHIP MINISTRIES** - The mission of Friendship ministries is to share God's love with people who have intellectual disabilities and to enable them to become an active part of God's family. Their ministry is international, inter-denominational, and 30 years old. They have helped equip churches from more than 75 denominations in 28 countries around the world to include people with intellectual disabilities. For more info see [friendship.org](http://friendship.org)

## Coming Up @ Ebenezer

<b>Monday</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	Friendship
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	Meal Making Day
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	Coffee Break and Story Hour
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	Cadets
<b>Sunday (Apr 29)</b>	<b>9:15 am</b>	Weekly Prayer Meeting in Library
	<b>10:00 am</b>	Worship Service

**April 24** - Meal Making Day

**April 29** - Friendship Sunday

**May 17-19** Garage Sale/Bake Sale

**May 26** - Days for Girls Work Bee

**Lost & Found Items:** Please check the lost and found table in foyer for items that may be yours. Anything left after May 13 will be taken to Second Glance.

**SENIOR'S PARKING** - Please remember that parking along the sidewalk to the north and close to the handicap parking stalls is for seniors and those with walking difficulties.

## Opportunities to Serve

**MEAL MAKING DAY - Tuesday, April 24 at 10:30** The meals we make on Meal Making days are distributed to people in our congregation and community to help bless them in difficult times or as an extension of love from the church family, they are always appreciated! Please let us know you can help by signing-up on the sheet on the bulletin board, thank you!

**SUMMER SIGN UP TO TEACH 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS** - Children's Church for 3 & 4 year olds runs all year round! We are asking parents, grandparents, (Aunts, Uncles, Friends) to sign up to teach over the summer. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the foyer so you can sign up for the weeks that work best for you! All teaching curriculum and materials are provided. Safe Church approval is required and there will be training offered in June. Thank you for serving and living out our baptismal commitments to these precious little ones in our church family!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** - VBS is coming just around the corner and the VBS team is looking for an individual to apprentice this year for VBS and then lead for the 2019 year. It is a 2 year commitment. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this position and if you have any questions please talk to Kelly L or Christine H. Thank you!



**CHILDREN'S CHURCH ASSISTANT NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER** - We are looking for someone to assist our Children's Church Director starting September with the intent of becoming the Director for 2019-2020. This will only be a two year commitment. The program we have been using the last years is well established and easy to follow. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this position. If you have questions please contact Alice (T) Vor Carrie T.

## Community & Denominational Announcements

**Joyful Noise Choir Registration** Ends April 30 - If you have a child that will be entering grades 3 - 8 this fall who would love an opportunity to sing in a choir, registration is open online at [www.joyfulnoisechoir.ca](http://www.joyfulnoisechoir.ca). The choir's program runs from the end of August through Christmas and includes a weekend camp (at Camp Rehoboth), service participation at the invitation of churches, community development on behalf of Rehoboth and the celebration of the choir's 40th anniversary with former members of the choir in November. Registration closes April 30. For further information contact Rein Selles at [rein.selles@gmail.com](mailto:rein.selles@gmail.com) or call 780-458-0698.

**EMMANUEL HOME'S RACE FOR THE AGES**-in search of the golden YEG will be held on Saturday, May 26, 2018. Register your four-person team by May 12, 2018. This race is not like any race we have ever done before! No route agents, no clues and you make your own route. All you need is a cell phone and the ability to click & send. Team members must each raise a minimum of \$300 in pledges. It promises to be a day of fun, fellowship, and prizes. Register by May 4, for early bird prize eligibility. All funds raised go toward the Resident Support Program. For more information, contact Maria mbos@emmanuelhome.ca or 780-478-2051. Register/donate online: [emmanuelhome.ca/involved/race-for-the-ages](http://emmanuelhome.ca/involved/race-for-the-ages).

**Edmonton Christian Schools 25th Annual Auction:** Saturday, May 12 at Edmonton Christian High School, 14304 109 Avenue. Doors open and Silent Auction begins at 4:00 p.m. while the Live Auction gets underway at 5:30 p.m. New donations are gladly accepted until the event and volunteers are needed. For a continually updated list of items to be auctioned, check our website: [www.edmchristian.org](http://www.edmchristian.org). For more information, contact the Society Office at 780-476-6281. See you there on May 12!

**CELEBRATE WITH US!** On April 29<sup>th</sup> Maranatha CRC will be celebrating its 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a church, as well as the 10 year anniversary of worshiping with our Karen friends (Burmese refugees). You are invited to join us for a special service and a meal after the 10:30am service.

## Thank You to Our Volunteers

**Ushers:** GEMS

**Next Week:** Dennis V, Tim C, Bev C

**Greeters:** GEMS

**Next Week:** Friendship

**Coffee Duties:** Ted & Joanne K, Jon & Janna P, Pete & Birgit M, GEMS

**Next Week:** Troy & Michelle C, Glen & Christine H, Jordan & Alesha S

**Worship Team:** GEMS

**Next Week:** Grace & Team

**Projection & Audio:** Ted & Dan

**Next Week:** Jamie & Matt

**Serving Elder:** Henk S

**Next Week:** Pete V

**Nursery: Supervisor** - Lisa K

**Tod:** Lisa K, Derrick M, Jenny F, Anke K **Inf:** Janna P, Dale H, Levi M

**Next Week: Supervisor** - Kelly H

**Tod:** Michelle K, Ed V, Wikus K **Inf:** Kelly H, Dan P, Linda T, Petro K



**Peace Hills Youth For Christ** - Just a quick little note to let our fellow brothers and sisters in the Lord know that Peace Hills Youth for Christ (formerly Wetaskiwin Youth Unlimited) is having their **Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser** on April 28 from 8:00 - 11:00 am at the YFC Youth Center (3725 - 56 Street, Wetaskiwin)!! The cost is \$5.00/person and kids under 3 eat for free. Thank you for all your financial and prayer support over the years and we look forward to seeing you!!

**Inglewood Christian Reformed Church** is seeking applicants for the new position of Program Co-ordinator. Working with the related committees, this position will provide leadership and administrative support to ICRC's ministries for youth, outreach, discipleship, service and community-building. Please see posted job notice on the bulletin board for details and contact information. Closing date: May 18, 2018.

**THE BANNER ONLINE** - Keep the conversation going, check out [www.thebanner.org](http://www.thebanner.org) !

## Ministry Information & Contacts

**Office Hours:** Tuesday - Friday 9am-3pm

**Phone:** 780-986-4119 **Email:** [office@ebenezerCRC.com](mailto:office@ebenezerCRC.com)

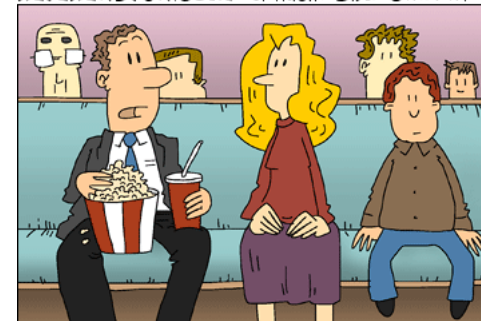
**Website:** [www.ebenezerCRC.com](http://www.ebenezerCRC.com)

**Bulletin Deadline:** 12pm Thursdays

**Council Clerk Email:** [clerk@ebenezerCRC.com](mailto:clerk@ebenezerCRC.com)

**Pastor:** Jason Dahlman

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