

September 26, 2021

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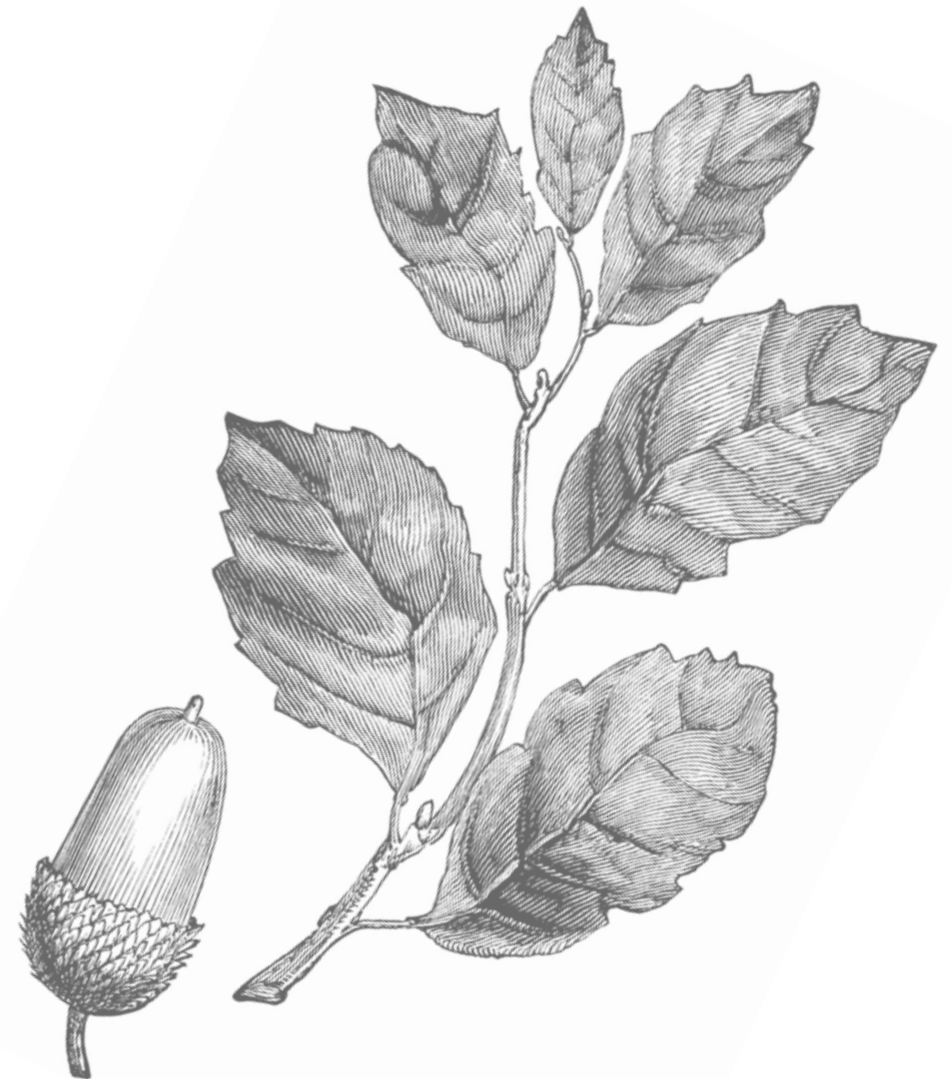
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EBENEZER
Christian Reformed Church
Glorifying God and Loving All People

Welcome to our Service

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer, both in person and Livestream. To access the Livestream, visit our website: www.ebenezercrc.com and click on the Livestream button that appears at the top of the page.

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG — *Everlasting God
Be Unto Your Name*

GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET EACH OTHER

SONGS — *Here I am to Worship*

CONFESSION OF SIN

SONG — *Behold Our God*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THANK OFFERING 1 - Ebenezer Ministries
2 - Safe Church Ministry

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Children aged 3-5 leave for Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE — PSALM 82

SERMON — **God's Songbook: Justice**

SONG — *Lion of Judah*

PARTING BLESSING & CLOSING SONG — *Goodness of God*

Church Family

Maricha K and **Bev C** are both home from the hospital. We praise God for his healing hand of mercy!

Joyce D's brother, **Bernie K** was killed in a farming accident this past week. We pray his wife and children and extended family would feel the Lord's close presence and comfort as they grieve their loss.

A Note from the Bs: two years ago we shared with you that Gerard was diagnosed with lung cancer. Over the last two years of tests, scans, visits to an oncologist and the Cross Cancer center, we are pleased to share that his latest scan shows no change to the original two years ago. Gerard no longer needs to continue with scans or any treatment and we are pleased that Dr. T has one less patient! Thank you for your prayers! Love Gerard and Wendy

A Note from the Zs: Thank you for your generosity for Bennett's baby shower gift. He already loves the toys and we can't wait to dress him in the cute outfits. We feel blessed to be apart of such a great community. Love the Zs

A Note from the Vs: Thank you so for the wonderful baby presents from the congregation. Even though the baby shower was not as planned, we still feel blessed by our church family. Thank you to Linda and Tena for organizing and delivering a personalized mini-shower. Dan & Christina.

A Note from the Vs: Thank you so much to our church community for all of the fabulous gifts for our Paisley! We are so grateful to be part of such a generous, thoughtful and welcoming congregation. We are looking forward to getting to know each of you more! Becky, Cole and Paisley!

Please continue to pray for:

Margaret T, Mary S, Per S, Abigail C, Arlene L's daughter, **Konrad B, Gary F, Bruce B's** mom, **Adaline H, Emily M's** sister, and **Kerry Anne H.**

NEW ELDERS AND DEACONS It is time to begin the process of installing new elders and deacons. There are **3 elder and 3 deacon** positions that need to be filled. We would like to invite the congregation to prayerfully consider if you would like to suggest someone in our congregation who is qualified and called to serve in one of those positions. Suggestions for nominations to these offices will be considered by council at our council meeting on October 5. Thank you.

E-transfer Information: to send a donation via e-transfer, please use finance@ebenezercrc.com. Thank you!



THE BRIDGE APP Ebenezer now has an app! We welcome you to join The Bridge app and select Ebenezer as your "Home Church". Other local CRC churches are currently using The Bridge app and testify it has become a great tool for their congregation (Classis Alberta North is financially supporting the app admin fees). Our office staff have done some preliminary work to prepare the app and we are now excited to share that it is ready for use at Ebenezer! The Bridge app is also a great digital resource to keep us connected! It contains an online church directory, upcoming birthdays, current prayer requests and access to the Today devotional booklet, The Banner magazine and more. Please look for the brochure in your mailbox or at the Welcome Desk for more information and instructions on how to find/download The Bridge app, create an account and access Ebenezer CRC as your home church. For detailed step by step instructions, refer to this guide: [The Bridge App Guide](#).

Please note, if your email address is listed in the 2020/21 Christian Reformed Churches of Greater Edmonton Directory, our church office staff have entered your email in the app database. When you create an account, you should be automatically connected (paragraph #2 on the brochure). All other email addresses not listed in the directory that are used to create an account will require the extra step of their account being approved by our office staff before you will have access (paragraph #3 of the brochure). This extra step provides a level of security to the app.

Remember: [The Bridge App Guide](#) is a simple explanation of how to use this App, but you can also call the office for help! We are here to serve you!



Look for this picture when you search for the app!

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday, Sept 26	@	10:00 am	Worship Service In-person & Livestream
Tuesday, Sept 28	@	7:30 pm	All Worship Gathering
Wednesday, Sept 29	@	6:45 pm	GEMS Girls Club Kick-off
Sunday, Oct 3	@	10:00 am	Worship Service In-person & Livestream

GATHERING OF ALL WORSHIP TEAMS and those interested in joining a worship team. Tuesday, September 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

GEMS—GEMS starts this Wed, Sept 29th at 6:45! All girls in grades 4-8 are invited to attend! Please join us as we learn the Truth about our Unshakeable God! Questions please contact Leanne K or Charlene V. Parents, please come to the first meeting with a Registration Form—available [online](#) or at the Welcome Desk. Thank you.

SAFE CHURCH — Important If you are volunteering this fall, please complete the online course found here: [Safe Church Refresher Course](#). If you have questions, call the Office. Thank you!

YOUTH UPDATE Calling all Junior High and High School kids. Youth is for you! Friendship, events, and building your faith. This year's teaching theme will be the Heidelberg Catechism hosted by our very own Pastor J. Worship, talks, discussion and fun activities every night! When: 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month. 7-9PM. Also watch for special outings & collaborative events with other CRC churches! Contact: Jay & Laura A. **KICKOFF EVENT:** October 2, 2021 – Lacombe Corn Maze. More details to follow.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AGES 3 TO GRADE 3 - looking for Teachers and Helpers Regular Sunday School will begin Sunday, October 3rd. We will be using age-specific material taken from the Dwell Curriculum. Please complete this [Google Form](#) (or contact the office) if you have children in these ages, OR you want to be a TEACHER or HELPER. Thank you!

COFFEE BREAK MINISTRY— help needed! Coffee Break is looking forward to meeting again regularly on Wednesday morning's starting October 6, 9:30-11:00am. We are looking for someone who loves 3 year old children and would like to run our little lambs program. If you are interested please speak with Cindy H or Alicia B.

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 — SAFE CHURCH MINISTRY is a resource for churches to prevent abuse and to respond where it has occurred. Synod has encouraged each Classis to have a Safe Church Team made up of representatives from each church in that Classis. This team assists with education and helps promote action with compassion and justice. The Safe Church Team also acts as a resource to the churches, fulfilling three important mandates: awareness, education, and support and can also assist as an advisory panel. For more info see <https://www.crcna.org/SafeChurch>

NEXT WEEK 2nd Offering — THE MUSTARD SEED

Collections for August 2021	Amount
Ebenezer Ministries	\$32,966.35
Ebenezer Deacons	\$1,604.75
Coupons	\$620.00
Debt Reduction	\$430.00
Edmonton Native Healing Centre	\$685.05
Edudeo Ministries	\$365.25
Missionaries	\$649.00
Rehoboth	\$944.00
World Renew: General	\$50.00
Total Collected for August	\$38,314.40

EBENEZER'S WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM coordinates services for our diverse congregation where "Our new life in Christ is celebrated and nourished in the fellowship of congregations, where we praise God's name, hear the Word proclaimed, learn God's ways, confess our sins, offer our prayers and gifts, and celebrate the sacraments" (Our World Belongs to God 36). As a new ministry year kicks off, the Worship Ministry Team is looking to fill two vacancies on the Committee. Both are for Members at Large. If you are a member of Ebenezer, committed to the vision of this ministry, and possess a love for worship, we want you! Please speak to Nicole VDK or send her a message! We wish to extend our thanks to Alyse K for her years of service on the Team!

PHOTO DIRECTORY NOTE: The phone number listed for Birgit M in the photo Directory is incorrect. Please remove that number. Birgit's cell number is . Thank you!

Denominational News & Resources

DISABILITY CONCERNS OCTOBER LEARNING SERIES - Disability Concerns Ministry is excited to share our newest resource with you: Everybody Belongs, Serving Together (www.faithward.org/everybody-belongs-serving-together/). Join us this October, every Thursday evening at 8pm (EST) as we dive into this resource, inviting leaders in our community to speak on topics covered in this handbook. Visit our website to find out more and to register for this series: bit.ly/dcc2021series (Hosted by Disability Concerns Canada)

YOU CAN SHARE HOPE WITH VULNERABLE FAMILIES THIS THANKSGIVING - In two weeks, let us join World Renew as they give thanks for God's love and abundance. Learn how, through the Free a Family® program, vulnerable families are remaining hopeful through the challenges of COVID-19. Discover how through our gifts we can help families get training in small business management to grow their income or learn about climate-adaptive farming practices so their crops yield more. For more information go to: www.worldrenew.ca/free-a-family

ISRAEL & JORDAN STUDY TOUR (MARCH 31 - APRIL 12, 2022): Travel to NT sites connected with Jesus' life and the early church: Bethlehem, Nazareth, Caesarea, Capernaum, Bethsaida, Sea of Galilee, Caesarea Philippi, the major biblical places in Jerusalem, Masada and much more. This tour also uniquely involves key biblical sites in Jordan, including the amazing city of Petra. Contact Dr. Jeff Weima, Professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, at wemje@calvinseminary.edu or 616-328-3110.

Thank You To Our Volunteers

WORSHIP TEAM: Josiah H / Lois D

NEXT WEEK: Wilbur H

PROJECTION & AUDIO: Seth / Mike

NEXT WEEK: Dan / Ted

SERVING ELDER: Dan V

NEXT WEEK: Roy V

GREETERS: Brent & Lisa K

NEXT WEEK: Wim & Jenny R

USHERS: Dennis V, Ineke V

NEXT WEEK: Dennis P, Ruby P

WELCOME CENTER: Charlene V

NEXT WEEK: Bea V

NURSERY: Candice P, Michelle T

NEXT WEEK: Christina V, Tammy M

SUNDAY SCHOOL: L Family

NEXT WEEK: TBA