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Emily M  
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(Administration)

Harold H  
(Deacons)

Wilbur H  
(Worship)

Scott K  
(Worship)

John W  
(Discipleship)

### Deacons

Fred K  
(Chair)

Alyse K  
(Secretary)

Brendan B

Dale H

Brett L

Birgit M

Warren T

Ed V



## 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](http://www.ebenezercrc.com) and click on the Livestream button that appears at the top of the page.

### WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG — *The Power of the Cross*

### GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET EACH OTHER

SONG — *What He's Done*

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

SONG — *Be Still & Know*

*(Anniversary selection from Albert & Evelyn T)*

### NEW TESTAMENT READING

SONG — *Just As I Am (Birthday selection from Mrs. Joyce H)*

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**James Edward (son of David & Nicole P)**

SONG — *The River (Baptism selection from P family)*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THANK OFFERING 1 - Ebenezer Ministries 2 - World Renew: Refugees

SCRIPTURE — **Leviticus 23: 23-25**

SERMON — **Feast of Trumpets**

SONG — *It Is Well*

PARTING BLESSING & CLOSING SONG — *Is He Worthy*

**E-TRANSFER:** to send an e-transfer donation use [finance@ebenezercrc.com](mailto:finance@ebenezercrc.com). Thank you!

## Church Family

Today, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. **David and Nicole P** will present their son, **James Edward**. It is a day of rejoicing as we welcome this child into our church family!

Congratulations to **Justin and Mariska Z** on the birth of their son, **Conrad Justin** on March 31, 2022! Congratulations also to **Ed & Grace B** on the birth of their grandson, **Weston Daniel**. Weston was born on March 27 to Elaine & Luke M. We praise God for these healthy babies and the gift of life to our church community!

**William B** had shoulder surgery this past Wednesday. We are thankful the surgery went well, and he's now recovering at home.

Please also remember **Margaret T, Gary F, Colleen V, Bev C** and **Kerry Anne H** in your prayers.

*If you are experiencing physical or emotional difficulties,  
please speak to your district Elder, a Deacon or contact the church office.  
We want to support you on your journey.*

*If you would like a visit with Pastor Jason ...  
feel free to contact him directly by phone (780-964-9844) or email  
([pastorjason@ebenezercrc.com](mailto:pastorjason@ebenezercrc.com)) and set up a time for him to come and visit.*

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL?** Warmer weather have you thinking about summer plans? What about VBS? Is this something you would like to coordinate this year? Perhaps you and a friend could do it together. Contact the office if you are interested in volunteering.

**FOUND:** A garage door opener was found in the parking lot. For info, contact the office.



### GOOD FRIDAY SCRIPTURE READERS NEEDED

Would you consider being involved in this year's Good Friday service? Six volunteers are needed to each read a short Scripture text during the service. Please contact Susan B if you are interested.

**PARENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL KIDS:** This Easter our kids will share two songs during our Easter Morning Service! Please practice with them at home. To listen, follow the links provided here: [Lord I Lift Your Name on High](#) & [That's Why We Praise Him](#). Please Note: We will practice today after church in the back classroom, #2.

## Deacon's Corner

**1<sup>st</sup> 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.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Offering — WORLD RENEW: REFUGEES** World Renew envisions a world where people experience and extend Christ's compassion and live together in hope as God's community. World Renew's mission is to engage God's people in redeeming resources and developing gifts in collaborative activities of love, mercy, justice, and compassion. Serving worldwide as the development, disaster response, and justice arm of the Christian Reformed Church in North America, the aspects of World Renew's work are three-fold: Community development, Disaster response and rehabilitation, and advocacy. For more info see [worldrenew.net](http://worldrenew.net)

### NEXT WEEK 2<sup>nd</sup> Offering — REHOBOTH

**REHOBOTH NEWS** The latest edition of the Rehoboth "Flourish" newsletter is now available online at: <https://www.rcmflourish.ca/about/flourish-newsletter/>. If you prefer a hard copy of the newsletter, a limited amount will be available at the church very soon. Enjoy the updates and stories!

**BE COURAGEOUS!!!** That's the theme for Rehoboth Camp Ministry this summer, which is so fitting after 2 years without Camp! RCM provides a one-week camp experience for persons with developmental disabilities and is a life-changing week for campers and volunteers. Come and be a special friend to someone with a developmental disability and show them the love of Christ, and at the same time enjoy our beautiful camp facility. We are looking for counsellors for the following weeks: R&R (a more relaxed week from June 26 – July 1), Adult 1 (July 2-8), Adult 2 (July 9-15), Independent (July 16-22), and Youth (July 23-29). Right now we really need nurses/LPNs at most of our weeks and a cooking crew for Independent Week. Check out our website at [www.rcmflourish.ca/camps](http://www.rcmflourish.ca/camps) for descriptions of the weeks and more information. Anyone age 14 and up is welcome to apply. No experience is necessary and full training and support is provided. Bring a friend! For more information, please e-mail [camp@rcmflourish.ca](mailto:camp@rcmflourish.ca). With your help we can flourish in the land. See you at camp!

**AN EVENING OF ENCOUNTER WITH GOD.** The Renewal Team of Classis Alberta North invites you to an evening of worship and prayer this Friday, April 8 at 7pm at Centerpointe Community CRC. We desire the renewal and constant health of churches in our Classis, which centres on an awareness and encounter with our Triune God. Please join us for this evening of seeking, listening, and responding in love to God.

## Coming Up @ Ebenezer

<b>Sunday, April 3</b>	@	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service Lent #5</b>
Monday, April 4	@	7:00 pm	Friendship
Tuesday, April 5	@	7:00 pm	Full Council Meeting
Wednesday, April 6	@	9:30 am 6:45 pm	Coffee Break GEMS Girls Club
<b>Sunday, April 10</b>	@	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service Lent # 6 (Palm Sunday)</b>

**EMERGENCY EVACUATION TRAINING - TUESDAY APRIL 12TH** Our Emergency Evacuation Plan has been updated. This new plan includes the roles of Incident Commanders, Ushers, Sound Techs and Projection Techs to assist in the evacuation process. If you are a volunteer in one of these roles, we encourage you to attend this training night on April 12th from 7:00-7:30PM for a practice drill. Please contact Dale H or Bea V for more information.



The **REFUGEE SUPPORT COMMITTEE** is planning a fundraising dinner and auction to raise money for the people of Ukraine. Please mark Friday, May 13th on your calendar and plan to join us for the evening! Are you willing to help? We are looking for donations of ground beef, clean-up volunteers and services to auction off. The auction this year will be a live auction of services only. Do you have a talent for baking? A willingness to do farm labour or work on a yard clean-up? Are you a hairdresser or do you teach music lessons? We'd love to connect you with someone who would appreciate the service you offer all while raising money for the people of Ukraine. Please contact Grace D about helping with dishes or meat donation. Please contact Leanne K or email [standwithrefugees21@gmail.com](mailto:standwithrefugees21@gmail.com) to donate a service for the auction. Together we can make a difference!

**FUTURE DATES!** Church Garage Sale will be held May 18-21. Ebenezer's Camping & Softball Tournament this summer - June 24-25 in Rolleyview.

**ANYONE HAVE A MAP?** Have you ever felt like you need a map to help parent your kids who are now 18+? We want to walk alongside you in your journey of parenting today's emerging adults. Come and learn strategies and resources from Faith Formation Ministry's Ron DeVries, based on the book Growing With. Also connect with fellow parents in the same situation. It is open to all Edmonton CRCs and takes place on Sat, April 30 at the Queen Mary Park Community League Building (10844 117 St NW) from 8am-2:30pm. Cost is \$20 per person and covers lunch & refreshments. Visit [this website](#) to register.

### UPDATE ON UKRAINE FROM REFRAME MINISTRIES

ReFrame ministries, the gospel media ministry of the Christian Reformed Church, joins with your church in grieving the war in Ukraine, the devastation of a nation and the loss of life, along with the displacement of millions of people. Our Russian and Ukraine ministry is caught in the middle and is focusing on sharing the peace of Christ to both sides of the conflict. Our ministry leader, Rev Sergei Sosedkin, has sent us a short communication to share with the churches

Paul Vandersteen ReFrame, Burlington

Dear Canadian friends:

Reframe outreach to the Ukrainian refugees continues. It seems like currently we are the only CRCNA agency with a direct outreach to the Ukrainian refugees in Poland.

Some reflection:

Our Ukraine leader, Lika served in a refugee camp in Krakow. Women and teenagers were present. Some little girls joined, as well. Lika shared the gospel with them and talked about our hope in Christ: "Even if we lose everything, we can find a strong foundation in Christ." In the end Lika prayed with them.

Then, in Lika's own words:

"I was invited by a local Ukrainian church pastor, Pastor Andrew, to serve at a meeting of the Ukrainian women and children who fled the war. They are now living in Krakow, Poland. I shared the message of Christ with them, and then prayed with them. Some people accepted Christ (about 10 unbelievers prayed a prayer of acceptance.) People were very emotional, some of them cried. And then the kids cut out and painted little paper hearts and wrote a prayer to God on them. They sang the song of Prayer for Ukraine and went outside and tied these prayers to balloons and released them into the sky with words of gratitude to Jesus."

These are just two examples. There are daily outreach events and opportunities to share the gospel. The media outreach to the refugees goes on, as well. Special programs are produced locally by our volunteer partners in the Baltics (Latvia and Estonia). They are carried by our local AM/FM affiliate stations. Thank you for your prayers and support of our ministry.

Blessings,  
Sergei S  
Reframe  
Russian Ministry leader



**FREE CONCERTS:** Over the next few weeks, many of the King's music students are putting on year-end concerts, including Kaija (M) F. These concerts take place in the Knoppers Recital Hall at King's University and may also be available via Livestream.

April 9: 7:30 pm, Ashley Elgersma, oboe

April 10: 3:00 pm, Dorothy Beyer, baroque flute

April 23: 7:30 pm, Kaija Feldbusch, piano

April 24: 7:30 pm, Allan Nelson, violin

April 27: 7:00 pm, Rigel Rendon "An Evening of 20th Century Piano Music"

The final concert for the King's choirs is April 8 at West End CRC (paid admission).

**GOOD FRIDAY SING-A-LONG** Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, and His praise in the assembly of saints. Ps. 149:1. It is with joy and gladness that Grace Reformed Church of Leduc announces that we will once again be hosting a sing-a-long evening of praise Good Friday, April 15, at 7:00 p.m. Tony, Vern, and Marg will also again be accompanying the congregational singing with organ and trumpets. Grace Reformed Church choir, Michelle Archibald, Emily Mulder, along with Lou Dube and the Northern Alberta Praise Team will also be sharing their individual musical talents. Join us for an evening of singing and fellowship for the whole family!

**FREE CRC LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE** - Register now to take the new Thriving Essentials virtual training in April at no cost (limit 25 persons). The two, 2-hour-long Zoom sessions on April 18 and 25 can help get all church leaders on the same page concerning the key concepts of Mission, Discipleship, Discernment, and Leadership. Take the class for yourself, then decide if attendance would benefit your core church leadership. Website: [crcna.org/Thrive](https://crcna.org/Thrive)

## Thank You To Our Volunteers

**WORSHIP TEAM:** Wilbur

**PROJECTION & AUDIO:** Ted/Dan

**SERVING ELDER:** Quentin A

**GREETERS:** James & Cindy H

**USHERS:** Mitchell M, Diana M

**WELCOME CENTER:** Alyse K

**COFFEE DUTIES:** Ed & Grace B

Nick & Tamara P

**NURSERY:** James H, Christine H, Rebecca K

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

AGE 3/4: Matt/Jamie B, Jachin

K/Grade 1: Lois, Elliott

Grade 2/3: Joanne K, Clara

**NEXT WEEK:** Josiah/Lois

**NEXT WEEK:** Seth/Mike

**NEXT WEEK:** Graeme B

**NEXT WEEK:** Brent & Lisa K

**NEXT WEEK:** Dennis V, Ineke V

**NEXT WEEK:** Wendy T

**NEXT WEEK:** Wim & Jenny R

Jay & Laura A

**NEXT WEEK:** Mariska Z, Michelle T, Sophia M

**NEXT WEEK:**

Age 3/4: Francine K, Pippa & Rory

K/Grade 1: Seth/Shane, Klaret

Grade 2/3: Karen G, Amy