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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. Today we welcome Rev. Gary Roosma from the Ministry to Seafarers, Vancouver to our pulpit.

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS — *How Great Is Our God*

GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET EACH OTHER

SONG — *Offering*

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

SONG — *It Is Well*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SONG — *When We Walk With The Lord (Lida DeVries)*

INSTALLATION OF DEACONS — *Jamie Brunken & Roy VanBoom*

THANK OFFERING 1 - Ebenezer Ministries
2 - Ministry to Seafarers

SONG — *Living For Jesus (Cadets 70th Anniversary)*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(ages 3 to 5 are released for Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE — Psalm 67

SERMON — **Joy To The World**

SONG — *Great Are You Lord*

PARTING BLESSING & CLOSING SONG — *O Praise The Name (Anastasis)*

Church Family

This week **Lida D** celebrates her 80th birthday. We pray you would feel God's blessing and continued hand upon your life

Please continue to pray for **Bernice S** as she continues to receive care for ongoing health issues. She is currently at home and awaiting further procedures.

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

We continue to pray for **Gary F, Jacob H, Shirley L, Per & Bernice S, Jerry V, Jenny V, Bram V, and Colleen V**. We pray that God will provide you all with peace, comfort and healing.

PRAYER CALENDAR

The October prayer calendar is available in your mailboxes. Join us each day in praying for the matters raised by denominational agencies and for two households from our Ebenezer congregation.

Sunday October 16: Disability Concerns: Disability Awareness Sunday

Church Families:

Monday October 17: World Renew: World Hunger Awareness

Church Families:

Tuesday October 18: Resonate: South Asia

Church Families:

Wednesday October 19: ReFrame: Indonesia

Church Families:

Thursday October 20: World Renew: Hunger

Church Families:

Friday October 21: Resonate: Michigan

Church Families:

Saturday October 22: Faith Formation: Connection

Church Families:

Sunday October 23: Chaplaincy and Care: Spiritual Care Week

Church Families:

The **October Banner** and the **September/October Today Devotionals** are available at the Welcome Centre.

Ebenezer News

LISTENING CIRCLES AT EBENEZER: In an effort to promote health and unity in our church, the Healthy Church Task Force (HCTF) is inviting the Ebenezer congregation to participate in listening circles on Nov 1, 3, 8 or 10. Groups (maximum 12 participants) will share their thoughts with the HCTF (Council members will not be present). Each night will have 2 different sessions (6:00 - 7:45 and 8:00 - 9:15). Participants must sign up in advance. See the registration sheets at the Welcome Desk or contact the office staff. The HCTF's report on these conversations will be available to all the congregation and will be discussed by Council. The HCTF serves the churches of Classis Alberta North by focusing on the healthy functioning and well-being of congregations, leadership and pastors. Questions? Contact Emily M.

SECOND PASTOR UPDATE: See your mailboxes for a handout from Council explaining the need for an associate pastor, including our vision for how this role could help Ebenezer grow. As a congregation, we will be voting on this next step after the service on October 30. Additional information (the June powerpoint presentation plus job descriptions of both the envisioned associate pastor and current lead pastor Jason Dahlman) are available on the website or at the Welcome Center. Absentee ballots are also available online or at the Welcome Center. Absentee ballots must be physically returned to the church in time for the vote. Please carefully follow the instructions on the absentee ballot! In the meantime, if you have any questions, contact the Visioning Team of Graeme B, Wilbur H, Scott K, Fred K, and Brett L.

FRIENDSHIP: We are excited to start our new season tomorrow, October 17th, 7-8:15 pm. We look forward to celebrating throughout our 15th year of Friendship! Wendy B Carolyn D.

OUTDOOR SPACE SURVEY: What's your dream for Ebenezer's outdoor spaces? Please complete a short survey on developing Ebenezer's property. See your mailboxes for paper copies or complete an online version at <https://forms.gle/88oREnMz2GCuYCHm8>. Questions? See team members Jamie B, Cindy H, Emily M, John T, Josh V, or Justin Z or email grounds@ebenezerCRC.com.

Outdoor Space Meeting: All those involved in ministries are invited to share their dreams on the outdoor space at a meeting on Sun. Oct 16 after church. Snacks provided!

ANNUAL SAFE CHURCH TRAINING & REFRESHER is required for all volunteers. This video has been recorded and is available to be viewed at www.ebenezerCRC.com. Under Ministries you will find Safe Church Ministry and you can follow the link provided there. Once you have viewed the video, please fill in and sign the Safe Church Completion Form which can be found on the website or print one [HERE](#). There will also be copies available at the Welcome Centre. These can be dropped off at the office.

CHURCH LIFE MINISTRY POSITION: We are looking for someone who has a passion to organize events and lead our Church Life Ministry! We have a great team and are looking to add to it. Contact Quentin A if you're interested.

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday, October 16	@ 10:00 am	Worship Service
@ after church		Outdoor Space Team Meets with Ministries
Monday, October 17	@ 7:00 pm	Friendship
Tuesday, October 18	@ 7:00 pm	Admin Meeting
Wednesday, October 19	@ 9:30 am	Coffee Break
Friday, October 20	@ 7:00 pm	Youth (Grade 9-High School Graduated)
Saturday, October 22	@ 7:30 am	Men's Ministry
Sunday, October 23	@ 10:00 am	Worship Service
@ 3:30—5:00		Hymn Sing

CLASSROOMS If you use and set up the classrooms during the week for meetings, please make sure to leave the room the way you found it so that the rooms are ready for Sunday School on Sunday mornings. **Thank You**

EBENEZER MENS MINISTRY has its first meeting. Starting at 7:30am on Saturday, October 22 with fellowship and worship, we will hear about and discuss Biblical Leadership in a man's life. Coffee and donuts provided.

DROP IN HOCKEY! The New Sarepta hockey arena has been rented Saturday Oct 29 from 8-9:30. This is a relaxed game of shinny. A helmet/stick/skates is the only equipment required but everyone is welcome to wear full equipment. It is a great time for the church and community to come together so please invite a friend or neighbour to come! \$10 per player. Significant others/families are more than welcome to come visit in the stands. Contact Colin or Graeme B with questions and to RSVP.

THE LEDUC HUB, which has taken over operation of the Jireh centre, is in need of winter coats for adults, especially men. With the winter season rapidly approaching, it is becoming critically important to have stock on hand to offer to any adult who is in need and may not be able to procure themselves a coat ample for our long, cold winters. You can reach out to the HUB with any further questions or drop off any coats directly during their office hours.

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 — MINISTRY TO SEAFARERS — This ministry exists to be a seafarer's advocate and first line of support, to lend a sympathetic ear and a helping hand when those serving on ships reach the ports in Delta and Vancouver. This ministry can assist in providing a safe and relaxing place that all seafarers can call their home-away from- home. Rev. Gary Roosma is serving as the Chaplain in the Port of Vancouver.

NEXT WEEK 2nd Offering — FAITH FORMATION MINISTRIES

E-TRANSFER: To send an e-transfer donation use finance@ebenezercrc.com.

UKRAINIAN REFUGEE UPDATE: There are 200 to 500 Ukrainian refugees landing in Edmonton every week, many are women with children as their husbands need to stay behind in the Ukraine. The UCC-ACP (Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Alberta Provincial Council) has been very involved in organizing help for these families. They have a site if you are interested in hosting a family, they have a Freestore which provides donated clothing, toiletries, diapers etc and a Ukrainian Newcomer Furniture Warehouse (UNFW) that provides donated furniture to the families. If you are interested in any of the above here is the information to contact them. If you have any questions please contact Ruby P.

For hosting: We are working with Catholic Social Services to match host families to newcomers to Alberta. Anyone can sign up to be a host via <https://ukrainiansinalberta.ca/> or the email housing@ukrainiansinalberta.ca. To collaborate with the **Freestore** please phone 780-965-8647 or message them on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/freestoreedmonton>. If you would like to organize a furniture donations for UNFW please email Shaelyn at shaelyn.whiting@uccab.ca.

DAY OF ENCOURAGEMENT This year's DOE is on Saturday November 5th. In this exciting day-long event hosted by NADC, the Micah Centre, King's, and friends from KAIROS Prairies North, Mennonite and Anglican churches, participants will learn about the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual roots of reparations and reciprocity. Through a variety of interactive workshops led by Indigenous and non-Indigenous leaders, participants will consider the role they can play in repairing broken relationships and building communities of reciprocity and hope. For details and to register for the event, visit <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/the-give-away-where-jubilee-and-ceremony-meet-tickets-429356074577?aff=ebdshpsearchautocomplete> To learn more about the Pakitinâsowin Fund for Reciprocity and Reparations, visit: <https://www.kingsu.ca/reciprocity-fund>

Thank You To Our Volunteers

WORSHIP TEAM: Josiah/Lois

PROJECTION & AUDIO: Seth/Mike

SERVING ELDER: Harold H

GREETERS: Fred & Linda K

USHERS: Luke K, Alyse K

WELCOME CENTER: Marco D

COFFEE DUTIES: Warren & Carrie T, Luke & Alyse K

NEXT WEEK: Abel & Tena H, Jesse & Charlene V

NURSERY

Infants: Susan B, Mariska Z

Toddlers: Brendan B, Amy A

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Age 3: Susan/Graeme B, Rachel K, Lily H

Age 4: Elly M, Rory L

Kinder: Lauren T, Sophia M

Grade 1: Christine/Glen H, Hadassah S

Grade 2: Petro K, Elliot D

Grade 3: Lieuwe B, Jachin H

NEXT WEEK: Marilyn/Michelle

NEXT WEEK: Wes/Pete

NEXT WEEK: Scott K

NEXT WEEK: Gerard & Wendy B

NEXT WEEK: Mitchell M, Diana M

NEXT WEEK: Bea V

NEXT WEEK:

Infants: Lauren T, Kelly H

Toddlers: Joel P, Clara D

NEXT WEEK:

Age 3: Kara B, Sylvia D, Brody U

Age 4: Elly M, Levi H

Kinder: Clara D, Georgia D

Grade 1: Maricha K, Pippa A

Grade 2: Jason U, Klaret K

Grade 3: Karen G, Ethan V



SUNDAY SCHOOL for Age 3 to Grade 3 — Hello parents! We will once again be meeting all together in classroom 2 for some singing before breaking into individual classes, this is something we hope to do every week, please escort your child there to start. If possible, please sign your children in at the Welcome Desk as soon as you arrive at church, this will prevent congestion down at the classrooms. **ALL** children must be signed in. If your child is **3 or 4 years old**, please also sign your children out once Sunday School is over. We ask that you also come pick your child up from Sunday School for Kindergarten and Grade 1.

If you have not yet filled out a child registration form for each one of your children in Sunday School please also do this and place in my mailbox. (These can also be found at the Welcome Desk). If your child is a helper, I have emailed out the schedule and also placed a hard copy in your church mailbox. I am so excited to finally have the classes going! Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns. Lindsay H sscoordinator@ebenezercrc.com