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Dan V	Monique T
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Graeme B (Administration)	Jamie B
Harry D (Pastoral Care/Deacons)	Roy V
Scott K (Education)	Ed Van't Hoff

Pete M (Finance) John W

(Discipleship)

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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: <u>www.ebenezercrc.com</u> and click on the Livestream button that appears at the top of the page.

If you are new or visiting and would like to talk to someone or would like more information about our church, come visit the Welcome Centre or fill out one of the envelopes found in the back of the chairs and place it in the offering bag.

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS — You're Worthy Of My Praise Here I Am To Worship

GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET EACH OTHER

SONG – What Can I Do

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE-ADVENT READING

SONG – Advent Hymn

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THANK OFFERING 1 - Ebenezer Ministries

2 - Diaconate

SONG – Christmas Offering

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(ages 3 to Grade 3 are released for Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE - Haggai 2: 6-7 SERMON - I Will Fill This House With Glory

SONG – Hope Of The Nations

PARTING BLESSING

CLOSING SONG — What Love My God

Church Family

Please be in prayer for **Henny G** who is in the hospital with pneumonia.

Our condolences go out to **Jane A** and her family with the passing of her brother. We pray that God will surround you and your families with comfort and peace.

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.

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) and set up a time for him to come and visit.

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

PRAYER CALENDAR

The December 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 November 27: Worship: First Sunday of Advent Church Families: Monday November 28: Resonate: Uganda Church Families: Tuesday November 29: World Renew: Giving Tuesday Church Families: Wednesday November 30: Raise Up: Timothy Leadership Training Church Families: Thursday December 1: Justice Ministry: Canadian Gathering *Church Families:* Friday December 2: Resonate Global Mission: Campus Ministry *Church Families:* Saturday December 3: ReFrame Ministries: China *Church Families:*

The **November Banner** and the **November/December Today Devotionals** are available at the Welcome Centre. If you normally receive the large print Devotionals, you will find them in your mailbox.

World Renew and Bible League Gift Catalogues are available at the Welcome Centre.

F benezer News

LADIES. We are excited to announce the **Baby Shower** for Stella and her beautiful baby Isla, will be happening this **Tuesday** @ 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We encourage you to come out to celebrate and show your support to Stella and Isla. Please bring a plate of acodies to share.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - Thank you to everyone who donated items, filled a shoebox or donated money to cover shipping costs. Together our church community and our GEMS club filled 55 shoeboxes! These will all be delivered to children in need along with a message of God's love and Jesus' gift of salvation.

GEMS POINSETTIA/GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER - With your support we have had another successful fundraiser, thank you to all those who purchased, sold or donated! All the proceeds raised will ap towards supporting our local GEMS club. If you still need to pick up your poinsettias or gift cards they can be found in the foyer of the church. Please speak with Leanne K if you have any questions.

VOLLYBALL Volleyball Night has been changed to Monday, November 28 from 7:00-8:30 pm at Covenant Christian School. Everyone welcome.

DROP IN HOCKEY! The New Sarepta hockey arena has been rented for Dec 4 from 5-6:30. 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 then welcome to come visit in the stands. Contact Colin or Graeme B with questions and to RSVP.

CANDLELIGHT VOLUNTEERS: Our candlelight service (December 18th) is fast approaching and we



are looking for volunteers! Our service will include reading passages of Scripture and singing traditional carols. If you are interested in either being a reader or volunteering on the worship team as a vocalist/instrumentalist please talk to Lois D or Josiah H We are tentatively planning on having a worship team practice on December 4th and a full run-through with readers on December 11th (times TBD).

CHRISTMAS CARONING – Come and join us at Friendship for an evening of Christmas Caroling here at Ebenezer on Monday, December 12 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm. Wear your silly Christmas sweater (no blinking lights please) and join us for a fun festive evening. **Everyone is welcome**.



SENIORS CHRISTMAS DINNER Calling all seniors! We are excited to host our Annual Christmas Dinner for our seniors on Thursday, December 15 @11:30 am. Please call Jen F email jen@ebenezercrc.com or sign up at the welcome centre.

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR This Christmas season we invite you to participate in a reverse advent calendar for the Leduc food bank. Each day of December grab a food item from your pantry and place it in a box (feel free to decorate the box!). In your mailbox there will be a list of products to place in the box for each day, but this is just a guideline. On Christmas Day bring the box to church and we will bring it to the foodbank who for the past year has seen a large increase in demand.



PUZZLE EXCHANGE: Do you like to puzzle? Assorted puzzles available in the Church Library, Leave one, Take One!

USED POSTAGE STAMPS FUNDRAISER Please save your used postage stamps and bring them to the church. They can be put into the jar at the Welcome Centre.

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday, Nov 27	@ 10:00 am @ 11:45—1:15 pm	Worship Service (1st Sunday of Advent) Catechism
Monday, Nov 28	@ 7:00 pm	Friendship
Tuesday, Nov 29	@ 7:00 pm @ 7:30 pm	Council Executive Meeting Baby Shower for Isla Tolsma
Wednesday, Nov 30 Friday, Dec 2	 @ 9:30 am @ 6:30 pm @ 7:00 pm 	Coffee Break GEMS Youth
Saturday, Dec 3	@ 9:00 pm @ 7:00 pm	Women's Christmas Social Worship Christmas Social
Sunday, Dec 3	@ 10:00 am	Worship Service (2ndt Sunday of Advent)

Denominational News

TRINITY CRC, EDMONTON, is having a Prayer Summit TODAY. You're invited to join us. There will be two times to gather in the afternoon, at 1:00 and 3:30. Come to sing, pray, listen and learn. The 3:30 PM session will include the Lord's Supper. Refreshments will be provided. You may contact Pastor Rich for more information or if you have questions (revrichdelange@gmail.com)

FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS Rick Mast, our Campus Minister at the University of Alberta, invites you to a Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols for Advent & Christmas, Mon., Nov. 28 @ 7:30 PM in the Winspear Centre! Thrill to the music of the University of Alberta Mixed Chorus and Handbell Ringers. Sing carols along with the mighty Davis Concert Organ! Tickets: \$25 ea. (plus service chg.) at the Winspear Box Office (428-1414): https://my.winspearcentre.com/8889/8890 Sponsored by the U of A Interfaith Chaplains' Association and Mixed Chorus as a Benefit for U of A Student Support.

EDMONTON NATIVE HEALING CENTRE Tawaw! (means there is room) Please come join us on November 30th for our annual general meeting at 7pm. Our address is 11813 -123 Street. Memberships can be purchased at the door for \$5 or via Interac at hroscher@e-nhc.org. Come hear about our triumphs during the past 3 years and how you can get involved with our new 'Pahpih Weh Kwa Yeh' Project (meaning smile). If you have any questions please Ph: 780-482-5522 or info@e-nhc.org

CHRISTMAS CRAFT SALE AND OPEN HOUSE Rehoboth Christian Ministries is excited to invite you back to our annual Pancake Breakfast (served from 9:00 - 11:30 am) and Christmas Craft Sale on December 3, 2022 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at 3920 - 49 Ave. in Stony Plain. Cost for breakfast; \$5.00/adult &; \$3.00/child. Once again we are pleased to have other vendors join us; call 780-968-4315 for information. We look forward to sharing the festive spirit with you.

MINISTRY TO SEAFARERS VANCOUVER It was SO FUN being with you all back in October. Thank you for the opportunity to share, and for your generous donation of \$1,533.50 to this Ministry!! It is a privilege to be able to partner with you for the good of seafarers. Thanks for all your support - please keep the seafarers and this Ministry in your prayers. We are busy preparing now for the Christmas at Sea season here and looking forward to that. Gary Rev. Gary Roosma, Ministry to Seafarers Vancouver Rev. Gary Roosma,

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 — **DIACONATE** Deacons are called to be the hands and feet of Jesus, administering the mercy of Christ to all people. The deacons are called upon to motivate the members of the church to be faithful with their resources. The deacons encourage others to serve along with them so God's work will be accomplished.

NEXT WEEK — THE LEDUC HUB ASSOCIATION

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

Collections for October 2022	Amount
Ebenezer Ministries	\$29,588.80
Ebenezer Deacons	\$1,637.70
Coupons	\$1,050.00
Debt Reduction	\$430.00
Calvin Theological Seminary	\$637.90
Edmonton Native Healing Centre	\$250.00
Faith Formation Ministries	\$671.30
Hope Missions	\$250.00
Leduc Food Bank	\$764.50
Seafarers Ministries	\$1,533.50
World Renew: General	\$50.00
World Renew: Foodgrains	\$265.00
Total Collected for October	\$37,128.70
Actual Income for 2022	\$296,390.48
Actual Expenses for 2022	\$314,152.54
Shortfall	\$17,762.06

THANK YOU for standing with your missionaries and ministry leaders worldwide!

Your congregation's support for God's mission through Resonate reaches the hearts and minds of people in more than 40 countries, including places where Christians are vulnerable to persecution, isolation, and prejudice. You make it possible for Christian Reformed ministry leaders to be there for people: you send them to teach, preach, welcome, and encourage—wherever God has called them. What a gift you've given!

Sending missionaries, church planters, and campus ministers remains a vital way that your church can join with others throughout the denomination to share the gospel story, both here at home and overseas. Seekers and new Christians alike need pastors and mentors to help them grow in faith and in their walk with Jesus Christ. Thank you for being part of the family of faith that walks alongside them.

On behalf of Resonate Global Mission, and of all those who are no longer alone or afraid to live out their faith, thank you for all you do. I know you are a faithful witness through prayer and involvement with your own community and I am grateful you also have chosen to bless your brothers and sisters in Christ around the world through Resonate! In Christ, Kevin DeRaaf, Acting Canada Director

Thank You To Our Volunteers

WORSHIP TEAM: Rueben PROJECTION & AUDIO: Matt/Jamie SERVING ELDER: Quentin A GREETERS: Roy & Teena V USHERS: Luke & Alyse K WELCOME CENTER: Charlene V COFFEE DUTIES: Norm & Grace H, Rob & Julie SG NEXT WEEK: Roy & Teena V, Tammy H NURSERY Infants: Karen H, Ryman H Toddlers: Janette G, Rebecca K SUNDAY SCHOOL

Age 3: Kara B, Jachin H, Klaret K

Grade 1: Christine/Glen H, Ethan H

Grade 2: Becky V, Rebecca K

Kinder: Clara D, Jackson H

Grade 3: Karen G, Teddy D

Age 4: Elly M, Amy A

NEXT WEEK:WilburNEXT WEEK:Christina/DanNEXT WEEK:Graeme BNEXT WEEK:Fred & Linda KNEXT WEEK:Mitchel M, Diana MNEXT WEEK:Wendy T



NEXT WEEK:

Infants: Carrie B, Niki U Toddlers: Michelle T, Sophia M **NEXT WEEK**:

Age 3: Kara B, Levi H, Pippa A Age 4: Elly M, Brooke T

Kinder: Lauren T, Rachel K

Grade 1: Jenna D, Chaim H

Grade 2: Jason U, Lily H

Grade 3: Chris/Lindsey H, Ethan V

SUNDAY SCHOOL PARENTS: The sign in clipboards will continue to be at the Welcome Desk every Sunday morning if you could please sign all children in once you arrive and then ages 3 & 4 out again once church is over. The clipboards will be moved down to the classrooms once church has started. <u>Just a reminder to also please fill in a child registration form for each child attending Sunday</u> <u>school, these play a crucial role for Safe Church and are needed as soon as possible.</u> These can be found by the sign in and once completed put in my church mailbox or leave at the Welcome Desk. Thank You.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED: I am currently looking to make my substitute teacher list a little longer. I would use this list if a teacher becomes sick or cannot switch with another teacher. If you would like to be added to this list please let me know. The lessons are all prepped, all you would need to do is show up and teach. Any and all help in this area is very appreciated! Please contact me at <u>sscoordinator@ebenezercrc.com</u>. Thank you!

NURSERY is requesting parents to complete the **NURSERY REGISTRATION AND CONSENT FORMS** for each child attending the nursery. Please place the completed form in Mariska Z's mailbox. This form can be found by the Nursery. We are also seeking additional crib sheets if anyone has one they are willing to donate.

CLASSROOMS If you use 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.