



The purpose of Bethany Baptist Church is to bring glory to God by making disciples who reflect the character and priorities of Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

- 9:00 AM Sunday School (For both adults & kids)
- 10:30 AM Worship Service [Livestreamed]
Childrens’ Church (For ages 4-8, during sermon)
- 6:00 PM Prayer Meeting
- Nursery is available in the supervised room downstairs or the unsupervised room in the back of the sanctuary with audio

SERMON

Speaker: Jonah Braun
Scripture: 1 Cor. 1: 26- 2:5

“But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. “ - 1Cor. 1:27-29

OUR ELDER SHEPHERDING GROUP

- A-B → Lyndon Unger
- C-D → Tim Archibald
- E-H → David Street
- I-M → Pastor Peter Erratt
- N-R → Tom Smith
- S → Cory Leniuk
- T-Z → Dennis Burriss

Welcome to talk to us: elders@bethanybaptist.ab.ca

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PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

- Health Needs: Lorraine Hort, Gord Rue
- Ministry: SingPlus Young Adults
- Fellowship: Fellowship Baptist Church, Drumheller

Email us your prayer requests or to join the Prayer Line

JOIN OUR LIFE GROUP

- EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON
- Tim & Michelle Archibald
- EVERY OTHER SUNDAY
- Martin & Lorna Scholz
 - Tom & Tina Smith
 - Peter & Nancy Erratt
- EVERY WEDNESDAY
- Don & Jan Collier
 - David & Laurel Street
- EVERY THURSDAY
- Mark & Shannia Guenther
- EVERY OTHER THURSDAY
- Lyndon & Leah Unger

UPCOMING EVENTS

- NOVEMBER 16 - 21**
OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES COLLECTION
- TUESDAY NOVEMBER 18**
6:30 pm Kids’ Club & Youth Group
- WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 19**
6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:30 am Seniors’ Ministry
- FRIDAY NOVEMBER 21**
9:30 am Ladies’ Bible Study
6:30 pm B.A.R.F. Youth Night
- SATURDAY NOVEMBER 22**
7:00 pm SingPlus at Waskasoo
- SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23**
12:00 pm Newcomers’ Lunch
- THURSDAY NOVEMBER 27**
7:00 pm Membership Council Meeting
- FRIDAY DECEMBER 5**
6:30 pm Men’s Night
- SUNDAY DECEMBER 14**
10:30 am Christmas Cantata

October Financial Report

General Fund Donation	Monthly Budget	Received
	\$32,829	\$27,372.40

OFFERING

E-TRANSFER: treasurer@bethanybaptist.ab.ca

OR DROP OFF YOUR EVELOPE AT THE OFFICE

Donation Policy

The spending of funds received by Bethany Baptist Church is confined to Church approved programs and projects. Each gift designated toward an approved program or project will be used as designated with the understanding that when any given need has been met, or the specified program or project cannot be reasonably carried out or has not been approved, designated gifts will be used where needed most. Where appropriate, an official receipt for tax purposes will be issued as soon as possible after the year end.

The Lord has been good to us this fall. Vance has been able to speak about 15 times in the last few months. Our new book entitled Untold Secrets of Planet Earth: Banished from Babel has come to fruition (been delivered) and we have sold over 2000 copies in just a matter of weeks. It is such a blessing working for the Lord, and seeing His plans unfold as we seek to obey Him in all we do.

It is always a great encouragement when we get e-mails of how people have been touched by God through our labours for Christ. A gentleman heard me speak two years ago. He has had a long road to Christ. He came after a talk I gave this fall and introduced himself. He told me he is from a Catholic background, and has a science degree. He had tears in his eyes as he thanked me for the books I had written, clarifying he wasn't following me, but God—that is great to know, because only Christ is worth following. God changed the trajectory of this thinking after he heard my talk and read my books. He can now believe the entire Bible as written. That makes what we do for Christ worth the effort. It's not about us, it's about Christ. Praise the Lord.

Our ministry is about showing that the first eleven chapters of the book of Genesis are true and reliable. The gospel of Jesus Christ is founded on the bad news in Genesis that the sin of Adam brought death, disease, and disaster into the world. The good news in the New Testament is that Jesus paid the penalty for sin, that whoever places their faith in the finished work of Jesus on the cross, and chooses to follow Jesus, will gain eternal life. Those in Christ will spend eternity with God where there is no death, disease, or disaster. What a hope we have as born-again believers in Jesus Christ!

Please pray God will continue to provide for our financial needs, that He will give us wisdom as we move forward and continue the ministry work for Him. Please pray God will provide us safety as we travel. Pray He will touch the hearts and minds of those we come in contact with and, that those who read the books will be impacted for Christ.

Thanks for you support in prayer and finances.
God's blessings
Vance & Korelei Nelson
Creation Truth Ministries

Expository preaching involves the exposition, or comprehensive explanation, of the Scripture; that is, expository preaching presents the meaning and intent of a biblical text, providing commentary and examples to make the passage clear and understandable. The word exposition is related to the word expose—the expository preacher's goal is simply to expose the meaning of the Bible, verse by verse.

As a method, expository preaching differs from topical preaching and textual preaching. To prepare a topical sermon, the preacher starts with a topic and then finds a passage in the Bible that addresses that topic. For example, for the chosen topic of “Laziness,” the preacher might refer to [Proverbs 15:19](#) and [18:9](#) and touch on [Romans 12:11](#) and [2 Thessalonians 3:10](#). None of the passages is studied in depth; instead, each is used to support the theme of laziness.

In a textual sermon, the preacher uses a text as a springboard for discussing a particular point. For example, someone could use [Isaiah 66:7-13](#) to preach on motherhood, although motherhood is only peripheral in that text, being merely an illustration of the true theme, which is the restoration of Israel during the Millennial Kingdom.

In both topical and textual sermons, the Bible passage is used as support material for the topic. In expository sermons, the Bible passage is the topic, and support materials are used to explain and clarify it.

To prepare an expository sermon, the preacher starts with a passage of Scripture and then studies the grammar, the context, and the historical setting of that passage in order to understand the author's intent. In other words, the expositor is also an exegete—one who analyzes the text carefully and objectively. (See our article “[What is the difference between exegesis and eisegesis?](#)”) Once the preacher understands the meaning of the passage, he then crafts a sermon to explain and apply it. The result is expository preaching.

[G. Campbell Morgan](#), pastor of London's Westminster Chapel and known as “the prince of expositors,” taught that a sermon is limited by the text it is covering. Every word from the pulpit should amplify, elaborate on, or illustrate the text at hand, with a view towards clarity. He wrote, “The sermon is the text repeated more fully.” A sermon's primary function is to present the text.

While exposition is not the only valid mode of preaching, it is the best for teaching the plain sense of the Bible. Expositors usually approach Scripture with these assumptions:

- 1) The Bible is God's Word. If every word of God is pure and true ([Psalm 12:6](#); [19:9](#); [119:140](#)), then every word deserves to be examined and understood.
- 2) Men need divine wisdom in order to understand the Word ([1 Corinthians 2:12-16](#)).
- 3) The preacher is subject to the text, not the other way around. Scripture is the authority, and its message must be presented honestly, apart from personal bias.
- 4) The preacher's job is to clarify the text and call for a corresponding response from his hearers.

An expositor cares little if his audience says, “What a great sermon” or “What an entertaining speaker.” What he truly wants them to say is, “Now I know what that passage means,” or “I better understand who God is and what He requires of me.”