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GROUNDING & GROWING

Welcome to our Service

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer. We are glad you are here today and invite you to stay after the service for coffee and fellowship. To access the Livestream, visit our website: www.ebenezercrc.com and click on the Livestream button that appears at the top of the page.

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

SONG — *10,000 Reasons*

Lent 2 Reading

GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET EACH OTHER

SONG — *You Are My King*

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Confession & Assurance

SONG — *In Christ Alone*

Lord's Supper

SONG — *Just As I Am*

GOD CALLS US INTO COMMUNITY

Children's Message: Lindsay H

Ages 3—Grade 3 leave for Sunday School

SONG — *Lift High The Cross*

Announcements & Congregational Prayer

THANK OFFERING 1 Ebenezer Ministries

2 World Renew—Canadian Foodgrains Bank

GOD COMES TO US IN HIS WORD

Scripture — **Luke 23: 36—43**

Sermon — **TODAY . . . In Paradise**

WE RESPOND WITH PRAYER AND THANKS

SONG — *O Sacred Head Now Wounded*

Drawing of Lots for Elder

GOD SENDS US WITH A BLESSING

CLOSING SONG — *My Tribute*

Grades 4—6 leave for Sunday School

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 cards found in the back of the chairs in the sanctuary and place it in the offering bag.

Church Family

This week we welcome **Pastor Bob DeMoore** to our pulpit. Next week we welcome **Seminarian Scott Klooster**.

Today we will **Celebrate the Lord's Supper** together. Praise God for this tangible expression of our unity in Christ.

Our condolences go out to **Andy & Marilyn Z** and **Dave and Heather T** and their extended families with the passing of the Z's son-in-law, **Richard P**. We pray that God will surround you all with His strength, comfort and peace.

THANK YOU! I just wanted to thank the members of Ebenezer for their commitment of praying for me during my long journey of healing. That act of love does not go unnoticed or unappreciated. **Karen D**

We continue to pray for **Jacob H, Kristy I, Tom T, Jenny V, and Colleen V**. We pray that God will provide you all with peace, comfort, & healing.

Here To Serve

The following names are presented to the congregation as nominees for the position of elder: **Quentin A, James H, Henry K, John W**

Council is looking to fill 3 vacant elder positions. Of the positions being filled, one term will be for three years, and two terms will be for two years. The three-year term will be assigned by the first lot drawn, with the two-year terms assigned by the subsequent draws. Drawing of lots will take place **today**, prior to the end of the service.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with your district elder or any elder in Council.

Lent: Grounded and Growing

Jesus calls his followers—then and now—into a deeper trust: to deny themselves, take up a cross they did not choose, and follow him into a life shaped by both sacrifice and hope. It is a call not only to carry what is heavy, but to let go of what is dead weight, to allow God, the patient gardener, to prune what no longer bears fruit so that what remains may grow strong and true.

To be grounded and growing in faith is to learn that God's promises are not always comfortable—but they are always faithful. Lent invites us to loosen our grip on self-protection, to release our attachment to control, and to entrust our lives to the One who brings life out of loss, fruit out of pruning, and hope out of surrender.

ARE YOU WONDERING WHY? The Christ Candle: Jesus, the Light of the world, lit at his birth, and is now shining in our lives by the Holy Spirit. **The Bible:** is God's story of redemption and salvation. **The Purple Drape** on the cross symbolizes Christ's royalty and the suffering and sorrow as the soldiers mocked his Kingship. **The Water of Baptism:** Jesus command to us to "Go and Tell" making disciples of all nations baptizing believers in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Matthew 28.

Ebenezer News & Events



SOUP SUNDAY please join us for soup today after the Service. Everyone is welcome.



GOOD FRIDAY PRACTICE There is a practice **TODAY** after the service in the sanctuary for the actors involved in the Good Friday Service.

ADULT CATECHISM CLASS Our next Adult Catechism meeting will be today, **March 15 at 7pm**. We will continue on at Q&A 26 and work our way through the Heidelberg Catechism's explanation of the Apostle's Creed. Thanks again to all who attended! - Scott



SAVE THE DATES for Upcoming Women's Ministry Events

Daughters Of The King Cafés will held **Sunday, March 29** and **Sunday, May 24**. The **Women's Spring Brunch** will be held on **Saturday, April 18** and childcare will be available for the Brunch.



GARAGE SALE we are having our annual church garage sale again this year. The 3rd week of May (**May 21—23**). Annual plants are great sellers and we are hoping people will have extras to donate again. Thanks. For more information, contact Tina R. or Bea M.

LOST / MISTAKENLY TAKEN A men's XL black and grey Mountain Warehouse coat was taken by mistake from the coat rack on January 15 and a XXL black and grey Mountain Warehouse coat with knitted mittens in the pockets was left behind and is still hanging on the coat rack. If your coat is the XXL could you please return the XL one to the church or contact Bram or Anneke V or the office. Thank you.



LOST & FOUND A hockey stick was found at Coal Lake after the Family Fun Day. If it is yours, please claim it at the Welcome Centre

The **CLASSIS MEETING SUMMARY** can be found at the Welcome Centre.

The **March / April Today** devotionals are available at the Welcome Centre.
The **January / February Banners** are available at the Welcome Centre
The **March Prayer Calendar** has been posted to The Bridge App and is also available at the Welcome Centre.

VBS News

VBS—RAINFOREST FALLS Exploring the Nature of God will take place July 6-10! Our Registration Kick Off and offering is on May 3. Donation Station and donation list coming soon. Please speak with Lindsay if you have any questions.



Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday, March 15	@ 10:00	am	WORSHIP SERVICE
	@ 11:45	am	Soup Lunch
	@ 11:45	am	Good Friday Practice
	@ 7:00	pm	Adult Catechism Class
Monday, March 16	@ 7:00	pm	Friendship
Tuesday, March 17	@ 7:00	pm	Consistory Meeting
	@ 7:30	am	Deacons Meeting
Saturday, March 21	@ 7:30	am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday, March 22	@ 9:15	am	Prayer Meeting
	@ 10:00	am	WORSHIP SERVICE
	@ 6:00	pm	Youth

Community News & Events

GOOD FRIDAY PSALM AND HYMN SING Grace Reformed Church of Leduc takes great pleasure in inviting you to join us on **Good Friday, April 3rd, at 7:00 PM** for our annual psalm and hymn singalong! Come with the whole family for an evening of congregational singing of selections from the Trinity Psalter Hymnal, as well as performances from The Mighty Power Singers, Fellowship in Harmony, and the Grace Notes Ensemble.

Join us on **Saturday, April 4, 2026, from 2 to 4 PM** at Redeemer United Reformed Church in Lacombe for another opportunity to sing with Christian men from all over central Alberta. Invite your neighbors, colleagues, brothers, uncles, and friends to be part of this special time together. We invite and encourage women to enjoy the event via our YouTube livestream: www.youtube.com/@SingMenOfGod

YOUTH FOR CHRIST PEACE HILLS—ON-LINE SILENT AUCTION Join our auction by donating an item or service by calling 780-387-0727 or visit peacehillsyfc.ca The auction will run from **April 26—May 1**. See poster on bulletin board for more information.

SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS North Student Support Team invites those considering full-time ordained or non-ordained ministry in the Christian Reformed Church to apply for a forgivable loan to support their Graduate studies. Application and information at: <http://www.classisalbertanorth.ca/student-support-team.html>

CAMROSE PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE: The Camrose Pregnancy Care Centre will be hosting an unforgettable evening in conversation with Danielle Koop, Executive Director of the Lethbridge Pregnancy Care Centre. This event for women, will be held at the Bailey Theatre in Camrose on **March 27, 2026 at 7:00 PM**. Tickets are \$25.00. For tickets contact the Bailey Theatre Box Office, Tuesday to Friday 11AM - 1pm. Ph. 780-672-5510. Please see the bulletin board for more information.

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: World Renew—Canadian Foodgrains Bank Mission: to end global hunger. We do this by collecting grain and cash donations for projects submitted by our 15 member agencies and their partners. We also provide expert advice to our members and partners; manage the procurement and supply of food commodities; and engage in public policy and education activities related to hunger and food security. Canadian Foodgrains Bank is rooted in the belief that humankind is created in the image of God and that it is God's desire that no person should go hungry. What is hunger? For most people, the idea of global hunger evokes heartbreaking images of people suffering through extended famine or drought. While this type of acute hunger exists, it only accounts for around 16% of the total number of people facing hunger in the world. A more complete definition of hunger includes when people do not have enough food—or enough nutritious food—over a long period of time. This kind of chronic hunger is less visible but has major effects on people's lives. When the body is not being properly nourished, it compensates by slowing down physical and mental activities. This affects children's growth, concentration at school and work, and weakens the immune system, making people more vulnerable to disease. It is estimated that up to 757 million people are facing hunger worldwide and do not enjoy "food security," meaning they do not have regular access to enough nutritious food to live healthy and active lives. For more information see foodgrainsbank.ca

Next Week: OKANAGAN GLEANERS Okanagan Gleaners was started as charity in Oliver B.C in the fall of 1994. It was initiated because of a growing concern for the hungry people of the world. Fast forward to 2025 when they celebrated their 30th Anniversary, and still provide food for the hungry. They currently provide a dehydrated vegetable mix, this is packaged in 5.3 lb bags and is good for 100 serving. Gleaners is a charity that has 3 paid employees and relies on donation for all the food and finances. All the labour is volunteer and they work year around except for a week during Christmas. Chopping and drying of the product happens year round, but for 2 weeks in April and October, a dedicated group of volunteers help with the packaging. This takes a minimum of 40 people. For more information on this worthwhile charity, look at the brochure in your mailbox or talk to Ineke and Dennis.

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



After the morning service please exit the sanctuary promptly for our Good Friday Service Practice. Parents please keep an eye on your children as they tend to wander into the sanctuary, leaving doors open and making it hard to hear.

Thank You To Our Volunteers

WORSHIP TEAM: Teena

PROJECTION & AUDIO: Dan / Christina

SERVING ELDER: Norm H

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Lindsay H

GREETERS: Wim & Jenny R

USHERS: Dennis V / Ineke V

WELCOME CENTRE: Wendy T

NEXT WEEK: Susan

NEXT WEEK: Jamie / Mike

NEXT WEEK: Glen H

NEXT WEEK: Lindsay H

NEXT WEEK: Brent & Michelle T

NEXT WEEK: Norm H, Eric H

NEXT WEEK: Miriam P

COFFEE DUTIES: Chad & Beth Gulick, Arijn & Heidi D

NEXT WEEK: Jan & Gea T, Rudy & Karen G

NURSERY: Melissa V, Justin Z, Silas D, Morgan L

NEXT WEEK: Beth G, Brett V, Carrie B, Nella H

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Pre K 1: Rebecca K, Amari O

Pre K 2: Stella M, Pippa A, Brooklyn T

Kinder: Alicia B, Casen A, Liam H

Grade 1: Graeme B, Nella H, Kayla T

Grade 2: Elly M, Tyler T

Grade 3: Francine K, Ethan H

Grade 4—6: Alex A

NEXT WEEK

Pre K 1: Karen H, Ethan H

Pre K 2: Isaiah K, Evelyn H, Ashton D

Kinder: Michelle T, Rebecca K, Wes U

Grade 1: Julie B, Rachel K, Brody U

Grade 2: Jenna D, Teddy D

Grade 3: Karen G, Chaim H

Grade 4—6: Alyse K



Sunday School News and Updates



All kids ages 3—grade 3 are welcome to join our Sunday School program. Once the Sunday School kids are dismissed we will meet in Classroom Two to sing some songs and talk about our Sunday School offering. Afterwards the kids will be dismissed to their classrooms. After the morning service grades 4-6 may join our after church Sunday School class located in Classroom 1.

Bible Memory: All children are invited to memorize their Bible Memory for an extra treat.
Show N Share Pages: These can be completed and returned to Mrs. Hummel.

Newsletter: The next newsletter will be out March 22.



NURSERY is requesting parents to complete the **NURSERY REGISTRATION AND CONSENT FORM** for each child attending the nursery. Please place the completed form in Mariska Z's mailbox.