



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

10:30 AM Worship Service  
No Prayer Meeting due to the long weekend  
Nursery is available in the supervised room downstairs or the unsupervised room in the back of the sanctuary with audio

Sermon

Speaker: Dennis Burriss

Scripture: Psalm 37

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

According to the first letter of your last name, feel free to bring any questions or concerns to your assigned elder or email them at [elders@bethanybaptist.ab.ca](mailto:elders@bethanybaptist.ab.ca)

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PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

- Health Needs: Curt Radke & Damaris Hofer  
→ Email us your prayer requests or to join the Prayer Line!

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday School

Sunday School will resume on Sunday, September 20, at 9:00 AM. We offer Sunday School classes for all ages, including children, youth, and adults. For our children, we will be starting the New City Catechism, with the goal of helping them understand and grow in the core doctrines of the Christian faith. For adults, Pastor Daniel has prepared a four-session series on evangelism, focusing on how we can faithfully share the gospel with others.

Please pray for Cory and Diana Leniuk as they coordinate our Sunday School ministry. Pray also that the Lord would use this time to encourage, strengthen, and equip us as the body of Christ.

*“Sin is not just doing bad things. It’s turning good things into ultimate things because it ruins your soul, destroys community and dishonors God.” - Tim Keller*

UPCOMING EVENTS

- TUE SEPTEMBER 8

  - 9 am Pastoral meeting
  - 6:30 pm Adventure Club
  - 6:30 pm Youth
- WED SEPTEMBER 9

  - 6:30 am Men’s Breakfast
  - 6 pm Shelly Brown’s Bridal Shower
  - 6:30 pm Elders’ Meeting
- SAT SEPTEMBER 12

  - 11 am Shelly & Ted’s Wedding
- SUN SEPTEMBER 13

  - 9 am Ministry Kick-off Potluck Breakfast
  - 10:30 am Ministry Sunday & Communion

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

| July Financial Report |                |             |
|-----------------------|----------------|-------------|
| General Fund Donation | Monthly Budget | Received    |
|                       | \$31,835       | \$32,590.42 |
| Missions Giving       | Received YTD   | July        |
|                       | \$22,835       | \$3,825     |

OFFERING

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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.

## MISSIONARY UPDATES

### Camp Little Red

The old King James Bible reads Proverbs 15:30 like this...

“The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart: and a good report maketh the bones fat.”

This sounds like a great thing to have a good report. Who doesn't want fat bones? Other versions use words like “refreshes the bones” or “nourishes the bones” or “fattens the bones” or “makes the bones healthy” and one other said it “invigorates the bones”. So, here comes what we would call a good report, you be ready for some fat bones!

**Fat Fact 1** It was a wonderful God filled God glorifying summer that saw salvations and baptisms and re-commitments and firsts! One Junior Counselor girl led her first soul to the Lord and helped rescue another from a lifestyle of waste. One twin got saved and asked for prayer for her twin sister to be saved too. The next morning the sister was asked about her salvation, and she said “Funny you should ask, I believed in Christ five hours ago! ” Amen, Prayer answered!

**Fat Fact 2** One of the youth workers who got saved at camp in grade 7 asked if we would baptize them in the river. “Yes” was the reply if they had parents' permission and let her church know, and they did. So, we had a few classes with them during the meals and the class grew to seven. Five of them got baptized at Camp and two got baptized at their church. Two others want to be baptized next year. When the baptisms took place, the Gospel was shared with their families and friends. Praise the Lord! Here is a testimony of one of the candidates!

“I grew up in a Christian home, so ever since I was little I knew about Jesus. I didn't have a personal relationship with Him and didn't know that I could. I heard a message at chapel at camp that impacted me. I re-dedicated my life to Jesus. Without camp's influence, I wouldn't be where I am today.

A year after I re-dedicated my life, I choose to get baptized at camp. Mr. Russell taught me about what it meant to be baptized. Camp is a place that has truly impacted my life so much and it was incredibly special that I got to be baptized and publicly show that I will follow the Lord for the rest of my life. Additionally, I had the privilege to be baptized in the exact same spot that my mom was thirty years earlier.

This summer I was able to work at camp as a maintenance. I learned so much about the Bible from amazing speakers and mentors. I also learned several valuable lessons about life that I took away and applied to my everyday life, such as the importance of daily devotions and staying in the Word.

Overall, the experience of working at camp and being baptized this summer has allowed me to grow so much closer to the Lord.

When I'm at camp, I am surrounded with amazing people who encourage me, support me, and want to grow in their faith alongside me. The friends I have made at camp are a gift from God. For years I have prayed for Christian friends who are there to help keep me accountable and with camp, I am now surrounded by a wonderful group of people just like that. I am forever grateful that camp has allowed me to grow in my faith and take the step of baptism, and I am excited to continue to see how God uses this next chapter of my life. Psalm 100:5. John 3:30“

**Fun Fact 3** Despite many breakdowns, ripped tents, leaky roofs, bats in the ceilings, the Lord blessed and provided all we needed. He is a good God for sure! How about the need for three new tents and a church giving enough money to get them at a weekend camp. Praise the Lord!

**Fun Fact 4** The new house is still in the works as we await a flood study and a commission meeting that the County must have and then another committee to look at that then a decision as to whether we can build it or not. God oversaw the temple project with Ezra and the wall project of Nehemiah as well as the Ark build with Noah. Pretty sure God can do what He wants with a house at the camp!

**Fun Fact 5** The new guy Greg is learning his role well, the trailer people and their trailer are gone and we do miss them. The other trailer people are moving out this month to do some new things in their journey with the Lord. Gord and Val are not retiring at this time. The General fund has been blessed but as usual will need topping up. We don't ask for your coin but we plead for your prayers for God's good hand upon the camp!