

October 31, 2025

TIME CHANGE: This weekend Daylight Savings Time ends; don't forget to set your clocks BACK one hour on Saturday night.

O THIS WEEK'S SERVICE

We continue our sermon series, **The Gospel for Everyone**, exploring the Romans Road through Paul's letter to the Romans. Each week we will reflect on a different "signpost" that helps us share the good news and journey the road together to Jesus. Last week, we reflected on how "All have sinned" and fallen short. This week, we will look at how we have been impacted by God's love with the signpost: "While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." This act changes our relationship with God and the world, ultimately giving us peace.

The message this Sunday will focus on Romans 5:1-11, "While We Were Still Sinners."

*For resources from The Gospel for Everyone series, visit discovebethel.com/resources

OUR OFFERINGS

- 1) BETHEL MINISTRIES & MISSION: The ministries and programs of Bethel.
- 2) CHRISTIAN CIRCLE: is a not-for-profit organization started by Ify and Elijah during Covid. Currently, they work to bless communities in need by providing home cooked food, blankets, hats and gloves in areas of the city where they feel God calling them. It is a way of providing hope for those who need it the most.

COLLECTIONS IN NOVEMBER

November 2 Christian Circle

November 9 Dunamis Fellowship Canada

November 16 Mustard Seed – The Mosaic Center

November 23 One Book November 30 Ministry Shares

In September, we received the following secondary donations:

Alpha Canada = \$780.00

Edmonton Native Healing Centre = \$782.00

Ministry Shares = \$1,235.00 The King's University = \$554.00

OCHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

We praise God for the gift of 60 years of marriage, as **JERRY and TRUDY DEVRIES**, celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary on October 23. Please be sure to share your congratulations with them!

Please continue to remember CALLIE (niece to Becky and Michael), MARIJKE COUVREUR, SYLVIA MILFORD, JENNY PENFOLD, ELEANOR PROKUDA, JOHN SNYDER and GRACE VLEEMING as you pray for our church community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Our next Men's Breakfast will be on November 15. Please sign up here to save your spot for this great meal!

FAMILY TABLE: Are you raising kids or teens? Pull up a chair at The Family Table! This series of Sunday afternoon gatherings will help your family discover simple ways to grow faith at home. Join us after church on Nov 16 for our second gathering, called Praying Together at the Table, a family potluck and time of vision, connection, and encouragement. Register here.

PROFESSION OF FAITH: This class will prepare you to publicly affirm your faith in Jesus Christ and is a step towards church membership. If you would like to learn what it means to follow Jesus Christ and live as a member of his church, please consider taking this course. It is open to all youth and adults and will be led by Camila Lazarotto (Director of Youth Ministries) and Pastor Wendy Werkman. The dates for the classes are November 18, 25, and December 2 from 7:00 – 9:00 at Bethel Church. Click here-to-sign up.

SAVE THE DATE: Following Jesus through our Sexuality (Question and Response) - on November 19 at 7:00 p.m., we will host a time of learning, question and response on how to reflect on sexuality from a biblical framework. We will offer a way for our church to ask questions in advance next week. For now, please consider joining us.

CONNECTION SUNDAY: Join us November 23 after the service for another SOUP-ER SUNDAY! This is a great time to get to know your fellow church members while you enjoy a potluck soup lunch. We will need volunteers for setup and clean up, also we need people to bring some soup or dessert. Please click here to let us know how you can contribute to this whole church event!

TODAY MAGAZINES: The November/December issue of the Today magazine is now available in regular and large print. You can pick up a copy at the Welcome desk or take one from the magazine rack by the Library.

Ø GET INVOLVED

MALE LEADERS NEEDED: Bethel Youth is looking for more male leaders to mentor our youth. Please consider if you can help build into our next generation. Email Camila at: camila@discoverbethel.com

PRODUCTION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Time Commitment: 1 Sunday a month

We're looking for volunteers to join our Production Team! Our livestream ministry helps keep church accessible for those who are ill, working shifts, or managing social anxiety — allowing them to stay connected and worship with us.

We need your help to keep our livestream going! You'll receive full training — no prior experience needed.

What you'll do:

- Switch between camera views during the service
- Monitor lighting and ensure everything runs smoothly

Training:

2–3 Thursday evening training sessions, then you'll serve on Sundays from 8:15 a.m. until the service ends (about once a month).

If you're interested or want to learn more, please contact <u>lisa@discoverbethel.com</u>. Let's keep sharing God's love through our livestream — we can't do it without you!

SING IN THE CHRISTMAS CHOIR! The choir will sing at our 5:00 pm Christmas Eve service. Practices are on Thursdays 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Sign up before November 7 by emailing lisa@discoverbethel.com

SMALL GROUPS: We invite you to sign up to be a part of something special! Small groups are where we grow in our faith in Jesus, support one another in times of need and welcome others on the journey of faith. Groups are home based and typically work through a bible study, have faith discussions and share joys & needs and pray for one another. Click here to learn more or sign up!

SMALL GROUP FOR MEN: If you would like to be involved in a weekly small group, there's an opportunity for you! Connect with Kevin Magnes at 780-475-6520. This group meets every Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. at 2011-137 Avenue.

BETHEL YOUTH

YOUTH TONIGHT: We'll be meeting at Bethel Church tonight, October 31 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. We'd love all youth in grades 7 to 12 to join us!

MOVIE CHARACTER NIGHT: Dress up as a movie character and join us for our Movie Character Night! Friday, November 7th 2025 from 7-10pm here at the church! Click here for details and to sign up.

YOUTH RETREAT: Join us at our Youth Retreat, Zeal, November 28 -30th at Camp Nakamun. Click <u>here</u> for more details and to register.

COMMUNITY NEWS

ROUND ROOM – WORSHIP TRAINING OPPORTUNTY: You are invited to an incredible training and worship opportunity this Saturday, November 1. Round Room Ministries is hosting SATURDAY SESSIONS, a place for worship, learning, and community. You will have the chance to choose two 45-minute sessions to designed to grow your heart and skill for worship. After these two sessions, everyone will gather for a Jam Session/Worship Time. You can choose from the following sessions: Acoustic Guitar, Worship Keys, How to Sing Harmony, Sound/Tech as Worship, Songwriting, How to Play as a Band and Biblical Foundation of Worship. Here's the details and registration information:

Saturday Sessions

Central Baptist Church SOUTHEAST (4357 Savaryn Dr. SW, Edmonton)

Registration: \$10.00

To Register: https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/saturday-sessions

FELLOWSHIP COMMUNITY CHURCH: Our refugee committee is hosting a concert as our annual fundraiser. As always, this event raises awareness about refugee issues and seeks to raise funds to settle refugees in Edmonton. Join us for a night of heartfelt music with Dave von Bieker on November 1, 2025, at the Parkdale Cromdale Community League, 11335 – 85 St. Edmonton. Von Bieker plays indie folk that haunts your heart with small stories and big questions. To learn more about him or hear his music go to his website at https://www.vonbieker.com/. Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased on Eventbrite here. For each ticket sold, the purchaser will receive a \$25 receipt for a charitable tax donation. Snacks and non-alcoholic beverages are complimentary.

DAYS FOR GIRLS: Days for Girls Canada Society is a registered Canadian not for profit and is a Country Affiliate with Days for Girls International. Volunteers across Canada mobilize to increase access to menstrual products and vital health information for women and girls around the world.

In October, John Lendein was able to add 350 kits for the Bettesu school, and 50 special kits for any woman that delivers a baby in the clinic to another shipment that was being sent to Bettesu Liberia. All of that was possible because of your great contribution.

Our next work bee is scheduled for Saturday, November 8, from 9 am to 12 noon. Please join us for this worthwhile cause. We could use workers with sewing machines and sergers, but we also need help from non-sewers for a variety of tasks: ironing, cutting, adding snaps, measuring and tracing, folding, etc. This request for help is not just for ladies, as we also have men that come out to help. Some of the tasks require a level of strength that unfortunately not all ladies have. Please let me know if you plan on coming so we can ensure we bring enough work for everyone: lindesrosiers@gmail.com

Location: LDS Church, 9010 - 85 Street NW Edmonton. Please come to the west side back door.

INTERCULTURAL EVANGELISM: Mosaic House, through Resonate and Intercultural Ministry, is offering a class on how to effectively tell others about Jesus who have a culture different than your own. Join us for a 1-hour info session on Nov 3rd at 7:00 p.m. Join on Zoom by clicking <a href="https://example.com/here-example.com/her

VINE WORSHIP 654 - NOV 9 Everyone's invited! Join The Vine young adult community for an evening of praise, worship, and connection open to all ages. Come and lift your hearts in contemporary worship as we gather to celebrate our Lord together as one community. At Trinity CRC Sanctuary - Worship begins at 6:54pm.

YOUNG ADULTS (18-30 something): You're invited! Join The Vine Community for a 3-part "Love, Life & Faith" Series & Dinner on Nov 23 (and Jan 11 &25). Come out for an evening of real talk, meaningful connection, and shared dinner as young adults from across the community explore life, love, and faith together. Hosted by Daryl & Sheri Van Driel (15426 59 St Edmonton). 5:30-7:30pm. RSVP to 780-916-3364 (text/WhatsApp), or trinityvinecommunity@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS AT SEA: Christmas at Sea is approaching, and once again your support would be greatly appreciated. Cheques should be made payable to "Ministry to Seafarers" and sent to 401 E. Waterfront Rd., Vancouver, BC V6A 4G9. You can also e-transfer funds to finance@ministrytoseafarers.com. Please clearly designate funds for "Christmas at Sea."

Sunday School or regular school classes, small groups and individuals can also send Christmas cards for seafarers for inclusion in their gifts. See our <u>ministrytoseafarers.com</u> website ("Get Involved") for more information, or email <u>crcvanportchaplain@gmail.com</u>.

INTERMISSION SILENT RETREAT: now in its 20th year, is happening at Star of the North Retreat Centre, St. Albert, AB, November 21-23, 2025, Friday 7PM to Sunday 4PM. The weekend includes 5

meals, 2 nights, 2-3 sessions of spiritual direction, and all the amenities of the retreat centre. Rest, renew, reflect, meet with God. \$550. For more info and to register contact Ron at rev.klok@gmail.com

STUDION SCHOOL FOR SPIRITUAL DIRECTION: is now receiving applications for its next cohort group. The Studion is a two-year, part-time program that offers comprehensive training in the skill and art of Christian spiritual direction. Application deadline is December 31, 2025. Inquiries can be made to thestudionschool@gmail.com or rev.klok@gmail.com. For more information, upcoming online events, and application forms, check out the website: https://www.thestudionschool.com

MISSION THRIFT STORE EDMONTON: is looking for a new bookkeeper. If you have the skills and would more information, contact Pete Ages at 780-934-8332

CRC NEWS: Check out what's happening in the CRC community <u>here.</u>

CRCNA ANNOUNCEMENTS: Connecting church members with the ministries of the denomination. Find out more by visiting the website here.

1 THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, November 2

10:00 a.m. Worship - in person & live stream

MONDAY, November 3

7:00 p.m. Prayer – Zoom

TUESDAY, November 4

5:15 p.m. Dove Taekwondo

7:00 p.m. GEMS

WEDNESDAY, November 5

6:30 a.m. Prayer-In-person & Zoom

9:30 a.m. Oasis

8:00 p.m. AA

THURSDAY, November 6

12:30 p.m. Food Bank

5:15 p.m. Dove Taekwondo

FRIDAY, November 7

7:00 p.m. Bethel Youth

SATURDAY, November 9