



October 3, 2025

THIS WEEK'S SERVICE

This Sunday we continue our fall sermon series, *Habits of the Church*, by reflecting on the practice of generosity in the early church. The Book of Acts gives us a picture of a church alive with purpose, passion, and power, modeling six habits that shaped the early church: devotion to God's Word, life-giving fellowship, the breaking of bread (hospitality), powerful prayer, generosity and worshipful witness. These were not occasional activities but consistent rhythms that formed a Spirit-filled community and made the gospel visible to the world. In this series, we'll discover how these same habits can shape us today into a church that is committed to becoming like Christ and sharing Him with others.

The message this Sunday will focus on Acts 4:32-35, "And to Generosity."

*Each week we'll include notes and resources for "what to do next" related to the habit of the week on the sermon resources page. You can see these [here](#).

OUR OFFERINGS

- 1) **BETHEL MINISTRIES & MISSION:** The ministries and programs of Bethel.
- 2) **WORLD RENEW:** joins communities around the world to renew hope, reconcile lives, and restore creation. Working in more than 30 countries, World Renew embraces a family-centered approach to ending global poverty, hunger and illness and providing disaster response services.
For more information→worldrenew.ca

COLLECTIONS IN OCTOBER

October 5	World Renew
October 12	Food Bank
October 19	Canadian Food Grains Bank
October 26	Ministry Shares

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

BECKY & MICHAEL WERKMAN'S 2.5-year-old niece, Callie, was diagnosed with Stage IV diffuse midline glioma - brain cancer. Please keep the family in your prayers. They live in Abbotsford BC.

Continue to remember **CURTIS COENEN, MARIJKE COUVREUR, SYLVIA MILFORD, JENNY PENFOLD, ELEANOR PROKUDA** and **JEAN SAATHOF** as you pray for our church community. Also remember **GRACE VLEEMING** as she prepares for surgery.

BETTESU STUDENT SPONSORSHIP: THANK YOU! Once again those of us involved with the Bettesu school are overwhelmed with the generosity of the members of Bethel. All 320 students are sponsored; we praise God for your support! Thank you

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BETHEL FAMILIES: Among the many significant practices of the church, celebration the Lord's Supper beautifully captures God's grace and his acceptance of us in Christ. We want to emphasize this more and more for children growing up in Bethel. Children are welcome to receive communion just as God welcomes them. We will plan for upcoming services that include celebrating the Lord's Supper (typically the last Sunday of the month) to also have sufficient time for parents to check out their children from Bethel Kids after the message. The first service where we will intentionally invite families to include their children as part of the Lord's Supper will be on September 28, 2025.

There are two additional things to note here:

1. We support the discernment of parents about if your children are ready to participate in the Lord's Supper. We ask you to pray and reflect on this as a family – not to mention talk with your kids, which may lead to some great conversations about the gospel and the Lord's Supper.
2. We have resources available to talk about this at home. Please take a look on the resources tab for the current sermon series [here](#) – under "To the Breaking of Bread."
3. If you have questions, or are unsure, please don't hesitate to reach out to our staff team. We would be happy to walk alongside you as you prepare your family for celebrating the Lord's Supper together.

CADETS: Cadets is a group for boys in grade 2-6. Cadets meets every second Tuesday from 7:00- 8:30pm from October – May. Our first Cadets night is October 14. Through badge work, games, and physical activities, this group of boys build relationships, gain skills, and become more Christ-like in all areas of their lives. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

HARVEST FEST: Our annual Harvest Fest and Trunk-or-Treat will be held on Saturday, October 25th from 2-4pm. It's guaranteed to be fun for the whole family, and it's another great way to connect with our neighbours. To make this event a success Bethel, we need YOU! There are all sorts of ways you can contribute. You can – donate candy, decorate your trunk (we need at least 12-14 trunks) and hand out candy, serve popcorn and cookies, or hot chocolate, and more. Please check out discoverbethel.com for the sign-up link which will be up this coming week. If you have any questions, please email Pastor Cathy at cathy@discoverbethel.com.

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. A sign up link will be available in the coming weeks.

GET INVOLVED

BETHEL KIDS: Our Bethel Kids sessions are only possible with a team of adults working together, sharing God's word and showing his love to these awesome children. We currently need 2 more people for our check-in desk, 4-5 more adults for the nursery team, and several adult and teen helpers for the various classrooms. For more information and to join our team, visit discoverbethel.com/bethelkids

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 p.m. at 2011-137 Avenue.

A BIG COOK IS COMING! Meals Ministry invites you to join us in a big cook on Saturday, October 4 from 1:00-4:00 p.m! An afternoon of laughter and visiting and putting some freezer meals together to help the deacons and staff bless members of the community when they are going through a time of need.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Our next Men's Breakfast will be on October 25

BETHEL YOUTH

YOUTH TONIGHT: Join us for a fun youth night tonight (October 3) from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

COMMUNITY NEWS

LOVEDMONTON'S DINNER & SILENT AUCTION: You are invited to celebrate with us God's transformative work in our community. At Lovedmonton, our mission is to be a storefront to the gospel, reaching people who might never walk into a church. Through relational ministry, we meet people where they are, sharing God's love in ways that are meaningful and accessible. Your support makes this possible, and we can't wait to celebrate the impact we've made together. Join us October 17th, 2025! Click [here](#) for tickets.

KINDRED HEARTS CAMBODIA FOUNDATION: Please join Kindred Hearts Cambodia Foundation at their 11th annual Fundraiser Gala & Silent Auction on Friday, October 17, 2025! There will be amazing food, live entertainment, a 50/50 draw and great company! Come out for a fun evening, while supporting the KHC programs in remote Cambodia. The event will be at the Woodvale Community Facility (Millwoods Golf Course Clubhouse) and tickets are available at eventbrite.ca or text Leanne Foff 780-278-0603. See you there!

REHOBOTH: Rehoboth's fall edition of *Flourish* has arrived, and October is Rehoboth's Annual Donation Drive to become a Friend of Rehoboth! While reading the newsletter at www.rcmflourish.ca, we welcome your prayerful consideration to partner with our ministry in supporting persons with developmental disabilities. Donations of any size are appreciated and help us grow our reach. A digital online submission is available through <https://www.rcmflourish.ca/donate/donation-form/>

DUNAMIS FELLOWSHIP CANADA: Dunamis Essentials will be hosted at Bethel Community Church October 16-18. Registration for The Power of Prayer is now open. Click [here](#) for more information.

ROOM FOR RENT: A family member of our church community has two single rooms available for rent at \$700/room with a required damage deposit of \$200. Preferably looking for students or working adults. Quiet home and neighbourhood with two small dogs. Utilities as well as internet included. Shared bathroom and laundry. Rooms are partly furnished. Close access to bus and LRT routes. House rules must be followed and will be discussed at rental interview. Serious inquiries only, references are an asset. Contact 780.802.8095 or 780.221.7774.

CLASSIS ALBERTA NORTH: There are several opportunities to serve the wider CRC community. Please consider submitting a nomination or volunteering for one of the following roles:

1. Classis continues to desperately seek someone willing to serve as Treasurer.
2. Classis needs a Minister of the Word (active or retired) to serve on the Classis Interim Committee
3. Classis Alberta North is looking for 2 Ministers of the Word (active or retired) to serve as Synodical Deputy and Alternate Synodical Deputy respectively.
4. Classis needs persons to serve on the Classis Abuse Response Team (CART).
Click [HERE](#) for information about CART.
5. Classis seeks nominations for a Minister of the Word (active or retired) to serve as our representative on the Board of Calvin Theological Seminary.

Our denomination is also seeking nominations for:

- a Minister of the Word (active or retired) to serve on the Judicial Code Committee,
- a non-ordained person with no legal training to serve on the Judicial Code Committee,
- a “at-large” member of the Council of Delegates, and
- a person to serve on the Candidacy Committee.

Click [HERE](#) for information about the Judicial Code Committee and the Council of Delegates.

Click [HERE](#) for information about the Candidacy Committee. (Scroll to page 11.)

Send names to Lucinda Klapwyk, Nominations Coordinator, at lklapwyk@yahoo.ca.

CRC NEWS: Check out what’s happening in the CRC community [here](#).

CRCNA ANNOUNCEMENTS: Connecting church members with the ministries of the denomination. Find out more by visiting the website [here](#).

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, October 5

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

9:30 a.m. Oasis

8:00 p.m. AA

MONDAY, October 6

7:00 p.m. Prayer – Zoom

THURSDAY, October 9

12:30 p.m. Food Bank

5:15 p.m. Dove Taekwondo

TUESDAY, October 7

5:15 p.m. Dove Taekwondo

7:00 p.m. GEMS

FRIDAY, October 10

WEDNESDAY, October 8

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

SATURDAY, October 11