



January 31, 2025

THIS WEEK'S SERVICE

This Sunday we continue our sermon series, *Everyday Prayer*, by returning to the Lord's Prayer. Jesus rightly called out the false and misleading ways we are tempted to pray. Then he offered his followers a guide for how prayer can shape the way we relate to God the Father and transforms how we relate to one another. May we welcome God's kingdom to come within us and through us in Jesus' name.

The message this Sunday will focus on Matthew 6:5-15, "When You Pray."


OUR OFFERINGS


- 1) **BETHEL MINISTRIES & MISSION:** The ministries and programs of Bethel.
- 2) **EDMONTON FOOD BANK:** provides food, free of charge, to those experiencing hunger through a variety of effective distribution methods throughout the city. The food bank runs hamper programs, and meal and snack programs through several locations throughout the city. The money collected allows the food bank to purchase bulk food at a discounted rate for use in the programs they run. For more information → edmontonsfoodbank.com/

NEXT WEEK - CORNERSTONE COUNSELLING is a not-for-profit agency providing affordable counselling in the Edmonton area. Their Mission Statement is: To demonstrate the love of Christ by providing professional counselling services to help people become renewed and whole.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Please continue to remember **CALVIN BRUINSMA, CURTIS COENEN, JENNY PENFOLD, and ELEANOR PROKUDA** as you pray for our church community.

 **BETHEL YOUTH:** The next Paul & Pancakes is February 23. Paul and Pancakes is an opportunity for youth to gather for fellowship and Bible study while eating pancakes. Youth will meet in the downstairs kitchen of Bethel during the worship service.

 **MEN'S MINISTRY:** The next Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, February 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We invite men of all ages to join us for food and fellowship. We would love to see you there! Find out more at discoverbethel.com/events or register [here](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY CONNECTION SUNDAY: Our next Community Connection Sunday is happening February 9. This is a time for everyone to connect with food and fellowship with one another after the service. Mark February 9 on your calendar for **Soup-er Sunday**. Join us in the lower level to enjoy this Soup and Buns Potluck lunch. Help with set-up, clean-up, and dishes is needed. Sign up to bring a soup and/or buns or offer to help with the meal by clicking [here](#)! There will also be a sign-up form at the Welcome Desk in the back of the sanctuary. We hope you will join us!

BETTER TOGETHER LIBERIA: This February a team will be headed to Bettesu Liberia for the Grand opening of the Health Clinic on March 8. Our Bethel community has played a large role in the construction of the clinic. Thank you for your generosity. As part of the celebrations, there will be soccer matches. If you have any gently used soccer shoes you could donate we would love to take them with us. Please connect with Helena Myschuk 780-237-0402 or John Lendein 780-908-1429.



WILLOWWOOD CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL IS HIRING: We are looking for additional people to join our staff as substitute teachers and assistants. This includes immediate coverage for a short medical leave. Our classes run Monday -Friday from 9:00 -11:30. If you have a passion for play-based preschool education from a Christian perspective, hold level 1, 2, or 3 Early Childhood Educator certificate or have related experience, consider joining our team. For more information and to apply, please email willowwood@discoverbethel.com.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Thank you for the tithes and offerings we received this fiscal year. As of the end of December, our income is approximately \$25,500 more than our expenses. We are grateful for the faithful giving of those who call Bethel their church home and trust in God’s provision through the generosity of His people.

COLLECTIONS IN FEBRUARY

- February 2 Edmonton Food Bank
- February 9 Cornerstone Counseling
- February 16 Dunamis Fellowship Canada
- February 23 Ministry Shares

COMMUNITY NEWS

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: One of our community families is looking for respite childcare assistance. Mom is a stay-at-home mom and dad is working full time. Their children include a set of twins, age 11 months, and a 4 year old. The family relies on public transportation. Mom has Cerebral Palsy and a vision impairment, limiting her mobility making daily tasks and looking after the children a struggle. She also has to bring the 4 year old to the school bus which takes a lot of effort and time. This family’s E4C support worker is reaching out to Bethel Church to see if someone could help out later in the morning for about 2-3 hours for respite care while mom is at home. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please reach out to Monika from E4C at 780-554-3676.

COMMEMORATION OF THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIBERATION OF THE NETHERLANDS: May 2025 marks the 80th Anniversary of the Liberation of the Netherlands. To commemorate this historic and most significant event in Dutch history (and the personal history of so many immigrants and their descendants), the Canadian Military and the Dutch Community will honour this significant milestone with a planned commemoration that will take place on Sunday, May 4th. It will be preceded by a Church Service at 10:30 am at Holy Trinity Anglican, followed by a short march/walk to South Alberta Light Horse Park in Old Strathcona where the actual ceremony will take place. The 80th anniversary, as a major commemoration, will be the last time actual living soldiers who were part of the Canadian army, will be in attendance. The few that are left are now 100 years of age or older. Also, those who were liberated are now in their late 80’s or in their 90s. Thus, it will close a chapter of living history. Please consider attending.

EMMANUEL HOME AND LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN SENIORS HOMES: Are accepting applications for a variety of one- and two-bedroom suites in both Emmanuel Home (13429 57 street) and the Lighthouse (114 avenue & St Albert Trail). If you are 65 years or older and would like to live in a vibrant, Christian retirement community that enriches your life and provides spiritual and social support, please visit emmanuelhome.ca or contact us at 780-478-2051 to arrange a tour and learn more.

COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR: This 2 or 5 km fundraiser walk on February 22, 2025, will support ADEARA RECOVERY CENTRE. To support or register a team of 6-8 walkers click [here](#). To learn more about Adeara's work visit [Adeara Recovery Centre](#).

HOPE MISSION COLD HANDS WARM HEARTS WALK: Winter in Edmonton is tough, especially for those without food or shelter. This March 1st walk is about coming together to raise funds for warm meals, shelter, and care for the vulnerable through Hope Mission. Can you help us reach our \$54,000 goal? Click [here](#) for more information.

DUNAMIS ESSENTIALS UPCOMING COURSES:

- Are you interested in learning more about how to participate in God's healing ministry in our day? If so, consider attending the online course, **Dunamis Essentials #4: The Healing Ministry of Jesus**. This teaching is based on the healing ministry of Jesus and the apostles as our model for all types of healing ministry today. We do this through sound theology and practical application. If you're interested in finding out more, click [here](#). This course takes place three evenings and Saturday morning, **February 19-22**. If you have any questions please connect with Joanne Rozendaal at prayer@discoverbethel.com
- Dunamis Fellowship Canada (DFC) will be hosting **Dunamis Essentials #2: In the Spirit's Power** at our very own Bethel Community Church starting the evening of **April 10th** to the evening of **April 12th**. In the Spirit's Power explores the nature and use of spiritual gifts and cooperation with the Holy Spirit. Participants practice discernment in a safe environment. It covers three parts: Functional Gifts (Romans 12:6-8), helping discern individual gifts; Manifestational Gifts (1 Corinthians 12 & 14), examining their use; and Principles of Power Ministry, focusing on cooperating with the Holy Spirit for advancing the Kingdom of God. If you're interested in finding out more, click [here](#).

To minimize expenses, donations of food including baked goods and meals (lunch and/or dinner) are needed. Additionally, we are looking for people who can host out-of-town guests for 3-4 nights and assist with transportation to Bethel. We're expecting 30 – 35 people.

If you could assist or have questions about any of these areas that would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Kimberly Walker (busynlovinitwalker@gmail.com or text 780-499-1537) or Jeannie Visser (visserjeannie@gmail.com, call or text 780-242-6117)

INGLEWOOD CRC: Is seeking a self-employed contractor interested in providing summer grounds maintenance for Inglewood CRC church property. The seasonal contract runs from April through October, and qualified individuals must have their own insurance, WCB coverage and grounds keeping equipment to manage all aspects of property maintenance. For more information or to express your interest, please

contact the ICRC church office: admin@inglewoodcrc.org or call 780-455-1066.

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, February 2

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

11:30 a.m. Alpha Marriage Course

MONDAY, February 3

7:00 p.m. Prayer – Zoom

TUESDAY, February 4

5:15 p.m. Dove Taekwondo

7:00 p.m. Cadets

7:00 p.m. Personal Financial Management

WEDNESDAY, February 5

6:00 a.m. Prayer – In-person & Zoom

9:30 a.m. Oasis Women's Bible Study

8:00 p.m. AA

THURSDAY, February 6

12:30 p.m. Food Bank

5:15 p.m. Dove Taekwondo

7:00 p.m. Worship Practice

FRIDAY, February 7

SATURDAY, February 8