

July 31, 2026



🌿 THIS WEEK'S SERVICE

This Sunday, we continue our summer series through Proverbs, ***The Way of Wisdom***, by reflecting on talk shaped by wisdom. It is very easy to find foolish talk in our world. God invites us to guard our hearts, to be transformed in mind and thought, which then shapes how we speak. As we follow Christ and his way of wisdom, we will learn how to speak in such a way that listens, communicates truth with honesty, and builds others up.

The message this Sunday will focus on Proverbs 12:13-23, "Wise Words."

For past messages, subscribe and follow our podcast: discoverbethel.com/podcasts

To explore our resources on Proverbs, visit: discoverbethel.com/resources

🌿 OUR OFFERINGS

- 1) **BETHEL MINISTRIES & MISSION:** The ministries and programs of Bethel.
- 2) **PREGNANCY CARE CENTER:** The Pregnancy Care Centre offers hope and extends grace to women experiencing an unexpected pregnancy. By listening with compassion and providing caring support, trained client advocates help women navigate their circumstances with dignity and hope—changing lives one story at a time.
For more information: pregnancycarecentre.ca

COLLECTIONS IN AUGUST

AUG 2 Pregnancy Care Center
AUG 9 World Renew
AUG 16 Seeds of New Creation
AUG 23 Home of Blessing
AUG 30 Ministry Shares

🌿 CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

You are invited to an open house to help **EVERT & LINDA VROON** celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary, from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., at Emmanuel Home, this Saturday, August 1. Only good wishes, please.

Please continue to pray for **Callie Guenther** (niece to Becky and Michael), **Janny Bartel**, **Marijke Couvreur**, **Marcel Crocker**, **Dave Howard**, **Evans Kotio**, **Kathy McDonald**, **Jenny Penfold**, **Eleanor Prokuda** and **Rob Solomonson** as you pray for our church community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BACK TO SCHOOL IN BANNERMAN 2026: You are invited to contribute to the **Bannerman School Supplies Fund** through the church's regular giving channels (discoverbethel.com/give). If you are sending an e-transfer, please indicate what your contribution is for in the memo line.

As we continue to identify the needs of families in our community, Bethel's Deacons will purchase the necessary school supplies. In mid-August, we will host a special pickup day where families can receive the items their children need for a successful start to the school year.

Thank you for your continued generosity and care for our community, together, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of local families as they prepare for the year ahead.

*If you or someone you know could benefit from assistance with back-to-school supplies, please contact **Pastor Cathy** (cathy@discoverbethel.com) or **Selikke** (selikke@discoverbethel.com).

GET INVOLVED

BETHEL SUMMER READING CHALLENGE: Looking for a simple, joy-filled way to grow your child's faith, build lasting memories, and boost literacy—rain or shine? This summer let's READ! Join our Summer Reading Challenge and pick up a bag of carefully selected books from our church library! We've got something for every age and stage:

- Picture books (perfect for sharing as a whole family, or as grandparents!)
- Books for Grades 1–3 (some for kids to read, some for parents to share)
- Chapter books for Grades 4–6
- Engaging teen reads

Keep your bag for up to 3 weeks. When you return it, your child will:

- Pick an instant prize
- Be entered in a draw for an awesome end-of-summer prize!

Make reading a meaningful part of your family's summer—because faith can grow one story at a time.

BETHEL KIDS CAMP NEEDS YOU!: From August 10–14, Bethel will be transformed into Snowball Mountain Challenge, our annual Kids Camp, where children will discover how to "Find Your Strength in God."

We're excited to share that registration is full, with 90 children and 20 Leaders in Training (helpers aged 11+ but not yet 18) already signed up! Now we need your help to make this an incredible week.

We're looking for adults to serve in a variety of roles, **we specifically have about 5 Crew Leader positions to fill.**

Whether you can volunteer for the entire week or just a day or two, we'd love to have you join the team! We especially need:

- Crew Leaders
- Media/Tech Team
- Kitchen Crew
- Setup Team
- Cleanup Team

Interested in volunteering? Visit the sign-up page [here](#).

If you have any questions, email Rebecca at rebecca@discoverbethel.com or Jason at jasonv@discoverbethel.com.

Can't volunteer but still want to help?

You can support Kids Camp by donating needed supplies! Stop by the bulletin board across from the mailboxes, choose a donation tag, and return the item to the church by August 4.

Thank you for helping make Kids Camp a memorable week for our children!

24/7 PRAYER WEEK, SEPTEMBER 6-13: This is a week where people commit to pray for hour-long blocks of time so that we have people praying EVERY HOUR of EVERY DAY for an entire week. You can sign up here (<https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/f22faa>) You can pray at the church, from your workplace, or from home. If you're able, consider signing up for more than one hour.

- Throughout the week, you'll be encouraged and equipped through:
Lectio 365 daily prayer resources
- A kickoff service on Sunday September 6 and wrap-up celebration on Sunday September 13
- A Wednesday evening worship gathering
- A devotional guide
- A dedicated prayer space at the church

Questions? Contact Taliah Jeske or Helen Krol.

DRUMMER NEEDED: Would you like to be part of our worship team? We are currently looking for a drummer to serve **once a month** during our Sunday morning service. Your time commitment would be to attend Thursday practice from 7:00–9:00 p.m. prior to the Sunday morning service. If you're interested in dropping in for a practice or would like more information, please contact lisa@discoverbethel.com. We have so much fun at practice, we'd love to have you join us!

BETHEL YOUTH

PLOT: Come hang out every Tuesday night from 7-9 pm. There will be games, laughs, snacks, and time spent in God's Word. We meet in the church parking lot. Grades 7-12 are welcome.

SNOW VALLEY AERIAL PARK 2.0: Our first trip to the Aerial Park got rained out, so we have a new date!! On August 18 we will once again take a bus to Snow Valley Aerial Park. **Everyone will need to register for the new date**, even if you registered for this past week. All of the details can be found on our events page at: [Youth Snow Valley Aerial Park Trip - New Date! | Bethel Community CRC](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS

REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES: We are celebrating our 50th anniversary! Please join us as we celebrate this remarkable milestone—50 years of faithful service, inclusion, advocacy, empowerment, and community building across Alberta. This journey has been shaped by the dedication and support of people like you. Celebrate with the Edmonton Region at our 50th Anniversary BBQ on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, from 12:00-3:00 p.m., in Stony Plain at 3920 49 Ave. We would be honoured to have you join us as we celebrate this special milestone together as a community and God's faithfulness over 50 years.

EXPLORE MINISTRY IN THE CRC: Do you believe God has called you to ministry in the CRC? Has anyone ever encouraged you to consider ministry but you don't know what to do next? Join the Classis Alberta North Student Support Committee at a gathering for prospective ministry candidates, current students, and newly declared candidates at Ebenezer CRC in Leduc on Monday, August 17 at 7pm for conversation, encouragement, and refreshments. [RSVP online](#) or contact Rev. Rebecca Hall (rebecca.george.hall@gmail.com) or Rev. Andrew Aukema (pastor.andrew@inglewoodcrc.org) if you are unable to attend but would like to talk some more.

EMMANUEL SENIORS LIVING SOCIETY IS HIRING! Our newest location, Lighthouse, is filling the position of Resident Experience Coordinator and Emmanuel Home is hiring a casual Maintenance Aide. If either of these sound like something you would be interested in check out our website esls.ca/about/careers for more details and to apply. Application closes when the appropriate candidates are found.

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, August 2

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

MONDAY, August 3

7:00 p.m. Prayer - Zoom

TUESDAY, August 4

7:00 p.m. PLOT

WEDNESDAY, August 5

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

8:00 p.m. AA

THURSDAY, August 6

2:00 p.m. Food Bank

FRIDAY, August 7

SATURDAY, August 8