

October 24, 2025

O THIS WEEK'S SERVICE

This Sunday we begin a new sermon series, **The Gospel for Everyone**. Becoming like Christ and sharing him with others is our mission at Bethel. Over the next few weeks, we will explore what this sharing looks like through the tool of the Romans Road. Each week we will reflect on a different "signpost" that helps us share the good news and journey the road together to Jesus.

The message this Sunday will focus on Romans 3:21-24, "All Fall Short."

Following the message, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper together.

<u>For those attending in-person</u>, we will pass around the elements with plates and baskets. When you receive them, please wait to eat and drink together at the same time. Gluten-free bread is available in the center. We welcome you to use the time for singing, prayer and reflection. Disposable cups may be left in the pews to be collected later.

<u>For everyone online</u>, please have communion elements ready at home (bread, juice/wine) to join with us in sharing the meal.

<u>For parents with children</u> who you would like to participate in the Lord's Supper, there will be space for you to quickly check out your children in the lower level following the message

We look forward to celebrating Christ's meal of grace with you Sunday. Prepare your hearts for this time of remembrance and celebration in light of our forgiveness through the cross.

OUR OFFERINGS

- 1) BETHEL MINISTRIES & MISSION: The ministries and programs of Bethel.
- 2) MINISTRY SHARES: A cooperative venture of all CRC churches in Canada to send missionaries around the world, start new churches, resource congregations, train pastors and leaders, and use media to spread the gospel. The pooled resources allow the church to do more together than an individual church could do on its own. For more information→crcna.org/MinistryShares

COLLECTIONS IN OCTOBER

October 5 World Renew October 12 Food Bank

October 19 Canadian Food Grains Bank

October 26 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 **FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Thank you for the tithes and offerings we received this fiscal year. As of the end of September our giving is about \$20,000 below our budgeted amount for this time of year. While our expenses are also lower than projected, we do have a deficit of approximately \$3600. 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.

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 new 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.

Ø 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

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

SING IN THE CHRISTMAS CHOIR! The choir will perform on December 21. 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 SENIORS: West End seniors invite Bethel seniors to a lunch and concert on Saturday, November 1, at West End CRC. Join us for a boerenkool (farmer's potato stew), sausage and salad lunch (alternate chicken pasta) and then enjoy a performance by the Joyful Noise Children's Choir. Cost \$15.00/person. Doors open at 12:00. For more information or to RSVP please contact Rosa at 780-484-3884 or rmzee@shaw.ca before Tuesday, October 28. Donations will be gratefully accepted for Rehoboth Christian Ministries.

BETHEL YOUTH

YOUTH TONIGHT: We'll be meeting at Bethel Church tonight, October 24 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. We'd love all youth in grades 7 to 12 to join us!

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.

OCCUPY NEWS

THE KING'S UNIVERSITY: Vocal Arts Week at The King's University has arrived!! October 27 and 28 at 7:00pm in Knoppers Hall at The King's University, join the voice students of TKU and Concordia University as they serenade you with classic art songs in French, German, Italian and English. On Sunday, November 2, we invite you to a very special guest performance by renown vocalist Monica Whicher and pianist Steven Philcox in an intimate recital of classical vocal music at 3pm in Knoppers Hall. Tickets for the Sunday concert are available at the door or through Eventbrite.

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/

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.

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 here.

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, October 26

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

MONDAY, October 27

7:00 p.m. Prayer – Zoom

TUESDAY, October 28

5:15 p.m. Dove Taekwondo

7:00 p.m. Cadets

WEDNESDAY, October 29

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

9:30 a.m. Oasis 8:00 p.m. AA

THURSDAY, October 30

12:30 p.m. Food Bank

5:15 p.m. Dove Taekwondo

FRIDAY, October 31

6:30 p.m. Women's Retreat 7:00 p.m. Bethel Youth

SATURDAY, November 1