



March 16, 2025

THIS WEEK'S SERVICE

This Sunday we continue our Lent sermon series through the life of Joseph by reflecting on God's faithfulness in the midst of temptation and trial. Like Jesus was tested, so is Joseph. We see that his story is less about a man who lives a perfectly successful life and more about how's God's love creates the pathway for favor and blessing when there does not seem to be one. We are not alone in our struggles because of Christ. *How can Jesus help us respond to the testing we face in our lives?*

The message this Sunday will focus on Genesis 39:1-23, "Tempted and Tried"

*Reminder: We are embracing a **Lent challenge** this year in the weeks leading up to Easter. For details, please visit our Lent resources page [here](#). (And keep it up!)

OUR OFFERINGS

- 1) **BETHEL MINISTRIES & MISSION:** The ministries and programs of Bethel.
- 2) **RESONATE GLOBAL MISSION:** Equips the local church to bring the Gospel to people, neighborhoods, communities, and the world. Resonate seeks to send out the Good News in every direction like an expanding, amplifying sound.

For more information → resonateglobalmission.org

COLLECTIONS IN MARCH

- March 2 Refugee Committee
- March 9 Mexico Missions Partnership
- March 16 Resonate Global Mission
- March 23 World Renew
- March 30 Ministry Shares

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

PAUL & PANCAKES: Our next Paul and Pancakes will be this Sunday, March 16. This is an opportunity for youth to gather for fellowship and Bible study while enjoying pancakes! Youth will meet in the downstairs kitchen of Bethel during the worship service.

BETHEL YOUTH UPDATE: Bethel Community Church is looking for a Youth Ministry Director (20 hours a week) with the potential for more hours as the youth ministry grows. The successful candidate will be someone who can curate, promote and build an environment where teenagers are disciplined in their faith and grow in community, as well as partner with and support families as they nurture their child's spiritual walk. The candidate needs strong skills in leadership, volunteer recruitment, and administration duties. They should also have a passion for discipleship through Bible study, extra-curricular activities, and family ministry. If you're interested, please visit discoverbethel.com/jobs. Applications and inquiries about the position can be sent to hr@discoverbethel.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS: With the start of a new year, it's a good time to think about Bethel's mission. A key factor in fulfilling that mission relies on the many different people who serve in our church. Within that group are the church leaders (Elders and Deacons). Each year, a number of these leaders finish their terms and need to be replaced. That is where you come in. We need you to prayerfully consider who you think would make good, Christ-centered leaders for these different roles. To nominate someone, please send us an email with their name to clerk@discoverbethel.com.

The individual you nominate must be a professing member of Bethel. To see our current list of elders and deacons visit our leadership page [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact Arnold Groot.

LENT CONTINUES: Explore with us the life of Joseph in Genesis reflecting on how his struggles anticipate the journey of Christ to the cross. To help you explore the depth of Christ this season and to practice this through daily rhythms, we are issuing a Discipleship **Lent Challenge** to Bethel. These practices will be highlighted each Sunday as we journey together to the cross.

For details about the challenge, discipleship practices, and more visit the Lent 2025 resources page, [here](#).

BANNERMAN PRAYER WALK: The Monday Evening Prayer Group would like to invite anyone who is interested to a BANNERMAN PRAYER WALK on Monday, March 17th. We'll meet at the church @ 6:30pm for a few instructions and group prayer before heading out to pray in the community @ 7pm. Please consider joining us! Any questions, please email cathy@discoverbethel.com."

SOUP-ER SUNDAY: Our next Souper Sunday potluck is coming April 6. To make this a successful event, we need people to sign up to bring soup, buns and to volunteer to help with setup, food prep, dishes and tear down. To sign up to help or to bring food please click [here](#). We're also looking for someone to help with the organization of the potluck and volunteers. If you are interested, please reach out to the church office.

DEACON REQUEST: Do you have a truck? From time to time, people need to move or move large items, but they do not have a vehicle to accomplish the task! Are you willing to be a driver to help people in the Bannerman area? The people interested in moving will collect helpers for the moving adventure! As a truck owner, you would just have to do the driving! Interested? Do you have questions? Talk to Helen Krol or send her an email at hckrol@hotmail.com.


FROM THE FINANCE TEAM: Thank you for the tithes and offerings we received this fiscal year. As of the end of February, our income is approximately \$32,000 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

FAMILY FRIENDLY SOCCER (ADULTS): This is the 25th anniversary of Family Friendly Soccer in a just-for-fun church league! Games will be played on Tuesdays & Thursdays in May & June 2024 during the evenings. The fields are in northeast Edmonton. The cost is only \$45. Registration for the adult's league begins this Saturday, March 1st. Click [here](#) to register.

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.

DUNAMIS ESSENTIALS UPCOMING COURSE:

 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](#). **Last day to register is April 3, 2025.**

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 have questions about any of these area or know that you can assist please contact:

Kimberly Walker (busynlovinitwalker@gmail.com or text 780-499-1537) or
Jeannie Visser (visserjeannie@gmail.com, call or text 780-242-6117)

REHOBOTH CAMP VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Rehoboth Camp Ministry is a Christian summer camp for people with special needs from young children to seniors. We want to share the love of Jesus, provide a summer camp experience, build relationships, and give parents or guardians a week of respite. We are volunteer-run and are always looking for volunteers to make Camp happen! A willingness to be a friend and help someone have a positive Camp experience is all that is needed. If you are 14 years old and up, have a heart for serving others, and have a week to spare this summer, then we are the place for you! Check us out at www.rcmflourish.ca/camp to get more information!

PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE: For 40 years, your support has brought hope and life to those facing unexpected pregnancies. Join us on April 12 to celebrate what we've accomplished together and look ahead to the work still to come. This milestone event isn't just a reflection — it's your opportunity to shape the next 40 years. Reserve your seat and be part of this life-changing mission! Email info@pregnancycarecentre.ca or click [here](#) for more information.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Adeara's Golf Tournament is back for its second year on June 11! With limited spots available, we expect them to sell out fast! Click [here](#) to register.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING SEMINAR: New Life Community Church is hosting a free seminar by Not Alone Ministries on March 22 at 2:00 p.m. The seminar will include a time of education, worship, prayer, and hearing powerful testimonies of how God, by His own hand, delivered and healed victims, turning them to victors. We are excited to gather, and we believe that human trafficking can be stopped, as this is our duty. We are excited to see you there! Email notalonenministry@outlook.com for more information or to register.

THE KING'S UNIVERSITY:

Financials 101: The King's Alumni Office and Enactus King's invites you to this complimentary Financials 101 session on Thursday, March 20 from 7:00–9:00 p.m. In this financial literacy session, Joshua Hamilton (B. Com '23), Financial Advisor and Partner at C.I Financial, will break down the complexities of the Canadian investment market and cover the basics of financial planning. Whether you're already investing or just getting started, this session will provide valuable insights to help you make informed financial decisions and build a secure future. Register here: <https://www.kingsu.ca/about-us/calendar/financial-101-registration> or email alumni@kingsu.ca for more information.

Summer Camps at The King's University: Summer Camps at King's are about exploring, creating, and developing new skills—all while learning from amazing mentors in a fun, encouraging, faith-based environment. Look forward to meeting new friends and making new memories! Register for one of our three or four-day sport camps or our five-day art and science camps today. Find more information at kingsu.ca/camps.

STEVE BELL CONCERT: Christian singer-songwriter Steve Bell will be in St. Albert for a Solo Concert on Friday, April 25th at 7:30 p.m. at St. Albert Catholic Parish (7 St. Vital Ave). Tickets \$25. There will also be a Psalms retreat on Saturday April 26th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at The Star of the North Retreat Centre. Visit www.stevebell.com/events for more info.

DIACONAL MINISTRIES CANADA JOB OPPORTUNITY: Diaconal Ministries Canada is currently accepting applications for the full-time position of **National Director**. The National Director is responsible for the integrity, viability, and quality of all components of Diaconal Ministries Canada including programs, communications, staff, promotion, and fiscal management. This person will oversee the development and use of effective tools and resources that will help us inspire, empower, and equip Deacons as they animate congregations to join in God's transforming work in communities across Canada. Visit our website for more details and the full job description: <https://diaconalministries.com/our-team/careers-opportunities/>. **NEW Application deadline: March 28, 2025.*

OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT: If you are looking for a quiet, spacious office in a central location consider Inglewood CRC. We have a fully furnished private office available which includes Wi-Fi and free parking. Contact the church office at ICRC (admin@inglewoodcrc.org or 780-455-1066) if you have any questions

or would like to view the space.

CRCNA: Click [here](#) to read the Pastoral Letter Regarding the Canada – United States Relationship

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, March 16

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

10:30 a.m. Paul & Pancakes

MONDAY, March 17

7:00 p.m. Prayer – Zoom

TUESDAY, March 18

5:15 p.m. Dove Taekwondo

7:00 p.m. Cadets

WEDNESDAY, March 19

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

9:30 a.m. Oasis Women’s Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Women’s Bible Study

8:00 p.m. AA

THURSDAY, March 20

12:30 p.m. Food Bank

5:15 p.m. Dove Taekwondo

7:00 p.m. Worship Practice

FRIDAY, March 21

SATURDAY, March 22

9:00 a.m. Men’s Breakfast