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### CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

#### PASTORAL STAFF

**Senior Pastor, Dr. John Oakes**

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**Director of Music, Grant Gwynn**

**Family Ministries Coordinator, Tim Froese**

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## Ebenezer Baptist Church

*Winning and building passionate,  
life-long followers of Jesus Christ*

**Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018**



*"What if some were unfaithful?  
Will their unfaithfulness nullify  
God's faithfulness? Not at all!  
Let God be true, and every  
human being a liar."  
(Romans 3:3-4)*

**10:30 a.m. Communion**  
**"The Faithfulness of God"**  
(Romans 3:1-8)  
**Dr. John Oakes**

# COMMUNION CELEBRATION

## Ebenezer Baptist Church

June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

<b>We Gather in Jesus' Name</b>
Welcome and Call to Worship Hymn #16: <i>How Great Thou Art</i> Prayer and Greetings
<b>We Worship in Spirit and in Truth</b>
Songs of Praise and Worship Children's Focus Announcements Pastoral Prayer Offertory
<b>God Speaks to Us through His Word</b>
Reading: Romans 3:1-8 Message: "The Faithfulness of God" — Dr. John Oakes
<b>We Share in Communion</b>
Hymn #158: <i>According to Thy Gracious Word</i> Communion Special Offering
<b>We Respond and Go Forth to Serve</b>
Hymn #54: <i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i> Benediction <b><i>You are invited to join us for a luncheon featuring some of the missions supported by this church in the Lower Auditorium immediately after the service.</i></b>

### PRAYER AND PRAISE

#### Monday



**Jesus Rivas, Calvary Baptist Church, Tacoma, Washington.** Jesus and his wife, Carmelina, partner with Calvary Baptist to reach nearly six thousand Hispanics who live near the church. Since they began ministry in 2016, they have established worship services on Sunday and are leading Bible studies in Tacoma and two other cities. We pray that people will be receptive to the sharing of the gospel.

#### Tuesday

We intercede for our neighbourhood and for all who live and work in South Vancouver. We thank God for the opportunities we have to serve and reach out to them and we ask God's help and guidance to do so more effectively.

#### Wednesday

We pray for our busy and exciting ministry schedule over the next few months, including Alpha, two Family Ministries events, our baptism service on June 10 and the four baptismal candidates, and the summer VBS and Youth Week. May God continue to work mightily in and among us.

#### Thursday

On our NABC prayer list this week, we remember Pastor Phil Johnson, Associate Pastor Richard Andres, the leaders, staff and people of Osoyoos Baptist. We ask God's provision and strength for all their ministries and mission, including their summer outreach to international migrant workers.

#### Friday

We pray for our Senior Pastor, Music Director, Family Ministries Coordinator, Elders, Deacons, other staff and leaders. May they know the presence, enabling and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

#### Saturday

We pray for our sick, shut-ins and bereaved, and for all who care for them. May they find healing and wholeness, comfort and peace, in Christ.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Alpha

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### Family Ministries Camping, June 15-17

There will be a **Family Ministries Camping Retreat to Cultus Lake, June 15-17**. Information and sign-up are available at the Welcome Centre.

### Frieda Townsend's Funeral

**Frieda Townsend's funeral** will be held on **Saturday, June 23, at 11:00 a.m. in the Lower Auditorium**. We continue to pray for her family as they grieve her passing.

### Vacation Bible School, July 9-13

From **July 9-13**, we'll be hosting "**Shipwrecked**," our **VBS Kids Camp for Kindergarten—Grade 6. Information and registration are available at [rockofhelp.com](http://rockofhelp.com) and at the Welcome Centre**. We encourage you to bring your own kids to join us for a great week together. Please also feel free to take postcards home to invite your friends and neighbours. This is a great opportunity for us to spread the good news that Jesus rescues.

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Speaker: Rev. Tony Tremblett. Please bring a sandwich for your lunch.

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Choir Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.—Thursday Choir practice will resume in September.

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## THIS MORNING

### Greeters

Our greeters for June are Aureya Sayo and Francis Fatovic

### Prayer Partners during the Worship Service

June 3: Sharon Iseli; Merle Eisner

June 10: Queen Agbonmwanador; Rose Masing; Zulay Ho

### Nursery (*Located near the ramp on the north side*).

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