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CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

PASTORAL STAFF

Senior Pastor, Dr. John Oakes

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(Pastor John is available for pastoral counselling and visitation by appointment. His weekdays off are Monday and one other day.)

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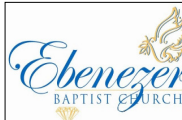
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Ebenezer Baptist Church

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

Sunday, September 23rd, 2018



"Wearing a linen ephod, David was dancing before the Lord with all his might, while he and all Israel were bringing up the ark of the Lord with shouts and the sound of trumpets."

(2 Samuel 6:14–15)

10:30 a.m. Worship
"Play—Becoming Childlike in the
Right Way"
(2 Samuel 6.9–23)
Dr. Shel Boese

WORSHIP CELEBRATION
Ebenezer Baptist Church
 September 23rd, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

We Gather as a Community

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn #554: *The Old Rugged Cross*

We Worship in Spirit and in Truth

Prayer & Greeting

Songs of Praise and Worship

Children's Focus

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn: #555: *Jesus Loves Me*

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Reading: 2 Samuel 6.9-23

Message: "Play—Becoming Childlike in the Right Way"
 (Dr. Shel Boese)

We Respond and Go Forth to Serve

Hymn #8: *To God Be the Glory*

Benediction

***You are invited to join us for refreshments
 immediately after the service.***

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday



Derek Fekkes, Roots Church, Stanwood, Washington. Pastor Derek grew up in the community of Stanwood and Camano Island, and he returned in 2013 with his wife, Annlee, with the goal of planting a new church to proclaim the gospel of Jesus. Roots Church opened its doors in April 2017. Their prayer is that God would continue to show his presence and power among them, building up his church through his Word. We pray for godly and qualified elder candidates. We also lift up the many non-believers and nominal believers in their community and that God would lead the church.

Tuesday

We pray 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 lift up Jack Masing, who coordinates the group, Rev. Tony Tremblett and Pastor John, who provide the teaching, and all the faithful members of the Wednesday morning Challengers. May God guide and protect them as they meet weekly for worship, fellowship, and mutual support.

Thursday

On our NABC prayer list this week, we remember Executive Director and Ebenezer member, Pastor Bob Krahn, his wife Dawn, and their family. We ask God's continued provision for and blessing on Bob's ministry and leadership as he works to support and encourage NAB churches in BC and beyond.

Friday

We pray for our Senior Pastor, Music Director, 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

Today's Pulpit Swap

We thank **Dr. Shel Boese of Pilgrim Baptist Church**, whom **we welcome as our guest preacher today. Pastor John will be preaching** at Pilgrim as part of this pulpit exchange.

Thank you

Irene Maas sends her blessings and thanks to the church for the beautiful orchid honouring her 100th birthday and says she is overwhelmed with gratitude for all the cards and the kind words written in them.

Youth Group

Youth Group will start again on Friday, October 5, when Pastor John and a team will be leading **a new Youth Alpha**. All **youth** between Grades 7 and 12 **are invited** and encouraged **to join us at 7:00 p.m. More details to follow**. Darren will also be contacting youth directly about arrangements for **the next Vancouver "Chapel" night on Friday, September 28**.

Whitecaps "Faith Night"

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BSF Invitation

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REGULAR MID-WEEK PROGRAMMES

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WELCOME TO EBENEZER!

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