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Church Office Hours:
9:30 am–5:30 p.m., Wed & Fri

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.)

Director of Music, Grant Gwynn

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Ebenezer Baptist Church

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

Sunday, November 25th, 2018



"Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth, . . . loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father."

(Revelation 1:5–6)

10:30 a.m. Worship
"King of Kings"
(Revelation 1:1–8)
Dr. John Oakes

WORSHIP CELEBRATION
Ebenezer Baptist Church
November 25th, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

Gathering of the Community

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn #62: *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Prayer and Greeting

Worship and Word

Songs of Praise

Children's Focus

Reading: Revelation 1:1-8 (read by Kirsten Oakes)

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Solo: *Joyful, Joyful* (pianist: Jake Bareng)

Message: "King of Kings" (Dr. John Oakes)

Response and Dismissal

Songs of Response

Announcements

Hymn #243: *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Benediction

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

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday



John Cassidy, Hope Community Church, Antelope, California. Hope Community Church is still gathering a solid team in anticipation of launching in March. God has already been answering prayers as they meet people who are excited to become a part of Hope Community and join what God is doing to reach the people of Antelope, CA. We pray for the preview gatherings on December 2, January 6, and February 10, and for the team that is coming together.

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 our preparations and programming for the Advent and Christmas seasons, beginning next Sunday, including all our regular and special worship services, the Advent Bible Study (Wednesdays), the Christmas Gathering (December 8), and the Stanley Park Carol Ride (December 23). We pray that God will bless and minister through all that we do to build up our church and spread the gospel.

Thursday

On our NAB BC prayer list this week, we remember Pastor Roger Liegmann (Lead), Pastor Carrie Liegmann—especially as they continue to recover from their summer car accident—as well as the other staff, leaders and people of WestMOUNT Church, West Kelowna. In their mission as "people stepping into their role as ministers of Jesus," we ask God's continued provision for and blessing on their ministries and outreach.

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

Youth Group

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