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Ebenezer Baptist Church

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

Sunday, January 20th, 2019



*"Then they prayed, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs.' Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles."
(Acts 1:24-26)*

10:30 a.m. Worship
"Called to Lead"
(Acts 1:15-26)
Dr. John Oakes

WORSHIP CELEBRATION
Ebenezer Baptist Church
January 20th, 2019, 10:30 a.m.

Gathering of the Community

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn #359: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Prayer and Greeting

Worship and Word

Songs of Praise

Children's Focus (Amos Bohoussou)

Reading: Acts 1:15-26

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn #58: *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Message: "Called to Lead" (Dr. John Oakes)

Response and Dismissal

Song(s) of Response

Announcements

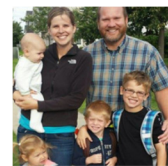
Hymn #53: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Benediction

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

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday



Mark Zubert, Create Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Create Church describes itself as following Jesus in an informal, non-religious, relationship-first, compassionate community. In addition to their low-key weekly gatherings on Saturday nights, there are others throughout the week in an effort to go to the places Jesus would go, eat with the people Jesus would eat with, for the people farthest away from the organized church. We pray for their efforts to connect with the local community.

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 Deacon Graham Gertz, Treasurer and Chair of the Boards of Deacons, Stewardship, and Trustees, Assistant Treasurer John Iseli, together with all members of those Boards and all who help with the stewardship and administration of our building and finances in any way. We ask God's blessing on them and on their service among us as we strive under God to glorify God, to build up our church, and to share the gospel in 2019.

Thursday

On our BCNAB prayer list this week, we remember Senior Pastor Curtis Reimer, Associate Pastor Todd Wilkins, Pastor Shawn Wagner (Youth & Young Adults), Children's Church Coordinator Joyel Huber, as well as the other staff, leaders and people of College Heights Baptist Church, Prince George. We ask God's continued provision for and blessing on their ministries and outreach.

Friday

We lift up our Senior Pastor, Music Director, Elders, Deacons, other staff and leaders. May they know the presence, enabling and guidance of the Holy Spirit, especially during this busy season in the church year.

Saturday

We pray for our sick, shut-ins and bereaved, and for all who care for them. We especially remember Ebenezer members who can no longer attend regularly for health reasons, including Eugenie, Eugene, Irene, Daralee, Jose and Elena, and Sylvia. May they find healing and wholeness, comfort and peace, in Christ.

If you would like prayer for any person or reason, please contact Pastor John or the church office. We can pray for folks publicly by name during the Pastoral Prayer and/or list them in the Sunday bulletin, as well as arranging prayer through the Prayer Chain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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