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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH LEADERSHIP

PASTORAL STAFF

Senior Pastor, Dr. John Oakes

Tel: 604-779-2356 (cell); Email: seniorpastor@rockofhelp.com
(Pastor John is available for pastoral counselling and visitation by appointment. His days off are Monday and one other day.)

Director of Music, Grant Gwynn

Family Ministries Coordinator, Tim Froese

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BOARD OF DEACONS

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Darren Lof; Sharon Tobert; Brian Kinniston; Joseph Neely; John Oakes; Johnny Ratum



Ebenezer Baptist Church

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

Sunday, May 20th, 2018



*"They saw what seemed to be
tongues of fire that separated and
came to rest on each of them. All of
them were filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in other tongues
as the Spirit enabled them."
(Acts 2:3–4)*

10:30 a.m. Worship
"Filled with the Spirit"
(Acts 2:1–21)
Dr. John Oakes

PENTECOST WORSHIP CELEBRATION
Ebenezer Baptist Church
May 20th, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

We Gather in Jesus' Name

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn #82: *Blessed Be the Name*

Prayer and Greetings

We Worship in Spirit and in Truth

Songs of Praise and Worship

Children's Focus

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory: Choir: *Holy Spirit (Getty, Townend)*

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Message: "Filled with the Spirit" — Dr. John Oakes

We Respond and Go Forth to Serve

Hymn #95: *Pentecostal Power*

Benediction

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

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday



Pray for Christians living and working in areas of governmental restrictions and/or persecution.



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, the Green Bay youth camp, two Family Ministries events, our baptism service on June 10 and the four baptismal candidates, the June 3 Missions lunch, 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 Lyle Anderson, Youth Pastor Noah Wiebe, the elders, staff and people of The Grove Church, Langley. We ask God's provision and strength for all their ministries and outreach.

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

Our Loving Sympathy

After a long, fruitful and faithful life, **Frieda Townsend passed away to be with the Lord on May 14. Please pray for her family** as they grieve her passing. They are grateful, as Frieda was, for the support of Ebenezer and will be announcing arrangements at a later date.

Alpha

Alpha continues Wednesday, May 23, at 6:30 p.m. It's not too late to join the course or to invite your friends. **Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.** in the Lower Auditorium. **This week's talk and discussion:** "How Does God Guide Us?"

VBS Team Meeting

The VBS team will be meeting on Thursday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 3K. We'll be hosting a VBS in the evenings this July 9-13: *Shipwrecked; Rescued by Jesus*. **We still need volunteers** to help with dinner & snacks, decorations, registration, crafts, games & group Leaders for the kids. **Please contact Tim Froese**, if you'd like to join the VBS team or have questions.

Alpha Holy Spirit Day

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Semi-Annual Church Business Meeting

Our **spring church business meeting to vote on nominations and address related matters, will be held next Sunday, May 27**, after church in the **Lower Auditorium**. Members are invited and encouraged to attend.

Missions Lunch

All are invited to **a special Missions lunch provided by our friends at Kingscrest on Sunday, June 3**, after church.

REGULAR MID-WEEK PROGRAMMES

Challengers 55+—May 16

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

UPLIFT PROGRAMME (6:30–8 p.m.) and Alpha (6:30–8:30 p.m.)

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Choir Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. —Choir meets in the Parlour. See Music Director Grant Gwynn if you would like to join us.

WELCOME TO EBENEZER!

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THIS MORNING

Greeters

Our Greeters for May are Merle Eisner and Janice Robinson.

Prayer Partners during the Worship Service

May 27: Doug Reichert; Diana Reichert

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

The Church nursery is open for the use of parents with infants up to 2-years-old but there are no care providers.

Noah's Place (2-4 yrs); Children K—Grade 6; Youth Sunday School
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Noah's Place Helpers

May 20: Debbie and Meg Tobert

May 27: Reah and Dana Cabang

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Choir meets for a practice 12:15–1:15 p.m. in the Parlour. This is our **last Sunday practice** until September. Thursday practices continue.

NEXT WEEK—TRINITY SUNDAY

Worship at 10:30 a.m. Dr. John Oakes will speak on "Our Triune God" (2 Corinthians 13:11–13).

STEWARDSHIP: YEAR 2018

Weekly Goal: \$ 4,230.00

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