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November 21, 2021

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## 10:00 Worship

November 21, 2021

*Elder Jim Vanden Heuvel leading.*

*Sermon prepared by Rev. Tom Vanden Heuvel.*

### PRE-SERVICE SONGS

- **S 159** Living Hope
- **PH 445** When Peace Like A River

### GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship: Psalm 84:1-4

Silent Prayer and Response: **PH 489** *Hear Our Prayer*

\*Invocation

\*Hymn of Adoration: **S 127** *To God Be The Glory*

### THE CALL TO SELF-EXAMINATION

The Law of God

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103

Hymn of Praise: **S 158** *His Mercy is More*

### WE OFFER HIM OUR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Rehoboth

\*Hymn of Preparation: **S 157** *He Will Hold Me Fast*

### GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture Reading(s): 2 Peter 1

Scripture Text: 2 Peter 1:10-11

Sermon: *Blessed Assurance*

1. What is our Calling and Election
2. Why is it necessary to make sure of our calling and election
3. How can we make sure of our calling and election
4. What are the benefits of being sure of our calling and election

Applicatory Prayer

### GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

\*Hymn of Response: **PH 386** *How Vast the Benefits Divine*

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: *Three-fold Amen*

**\*Invites the Congregation to stand- if you are able**

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## 4:00 Worship

November 21, 2021

*Pastor David Swinney (High River CRC)*

*The sermon will focus on the pre-existence of Christ  
(A child is born, but a Son is given).*

### PRE-SERVICE SONGS

- **S155** Creation Sings the Father's Song
- **S129** Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

### GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-11

Silent Prayer and Response: **PH 489** *Hear Our Prayer*

\*God's Greeting

\*Song of Preparation: **S 51** *Here I Am to Worship*

### WE BRING OUR CONFESSION BEFORE GOD

Apostles Creed

Hymn of Response: **PH 176** *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

### GOD COMES TO US IN HIS WORD

Passage of Praise: Psalm 2:1-12

\*Hymn of Praise: **PH 328:1,2,3** *My God, How Wonderful Thou Art*

### WE OFFER HIM OUR PRAYERS & GIFTS

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Rehoboth

\*Hymn of Preparation: **PH 286** *With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring*

### GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture Reading(s): John 1:1-9

Sermon: *In The Beginning*

Applicatory Prayer

### GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

\*Hymn of Response: **S 63** *In Christ Alone*

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: *Three-fold Amen*

<b><u>ACCOMPANIST</u></b>	<b><u>SOUND</u></b>
Today: Jodi Havinga Next Sunday: Emily Van Dasselaar	Today: Kevin Holtrop / Hannah Van Stralen Next Sunday: Jim Vanden Heuvel/ Kaden Holtrop
<b><u>OFFERING</u></b>	<b><u>USHERS</u></b>
Today: Rehoboth Next Sunday: Interfaith Foodbank	Today: Darcy Kikkert Next Sunday: Devon Van Dasselaar
<b><u>COFFEE SERVERS</u></b>	<b><u>DURING CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE</u></b>
Coffee service is postponed until the covid restrictions are lifted.	<b><u>NOVEMBER</u></b> Teachers: Erin Zandberg & Shari Neels Helpers: Addison Holtrop & Isabelle Dennill

**NURSERY SCHEDULE**

**TODAY:** A.M: Sharon Houweling, Linda Nymeyer, Kianna Heins  
P.M: Christie Kikkert and Brynlee Heins

**Next Sunday:** A.M: Cynthia Holtrop, Shari Neels, Carter Visser  
P.M: Melissa Heins and Natalie Brandsma

**Please note**, if you are going to be away, please make arrangements with someone else on the list Also please contact Erin or Shari if you would like to be added or taken off the list and if there are any questions or concerns.

**Please also note**, we are taking names off the nursery list and trying to coordinate nursery attendants with the elders lists. If you are not at the 10:00 or the 4:00 services please arrange for someone else to cover. If we all help out than the nursery can stay open.

**Thank you to all the nursery volunteers and their efforts to keep the nursery open during the restrictions of Covid**

***Soup Kitchen Collection for November: Cinnamon***

We will be collecting cinnamon for November. The cinnamon needs to be at church by November 28. Thank you for your generosity!!  
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<b><u>Children's Word Tally - AM</u></b>	<b><u>Children's Word Tally - PM</u></b>
Not	Advent
Don't	Word
That	Glory
	Jesus

**Welcome to Grace Reformed Church!**  
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES:**

- Bill Kooiker.....Nov 24*
- Bert Brouwer.....Nov 24*
- Erin Zandberg.....Nov 26*

**CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE!**

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- Soup Kitchen collection, Cinnamon.....Nov 28
  - Baking for Amazing Kids..... Nov 28
  - Infant Loss Memorial.....Nov 30

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**Operation Christmas** was a huge success again this year!  
Thank you to everyone who participated in Operation Christmas Child and also to Council for covering the shipping expenses! We collected 51 boxes this year!!!



## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upon further review of the mandate by Premier Kenny, council has revised the restrictions and services can go back to morning and afternoon again. Masks are still required. The districts and church times for services are listed below.

### District Division for Sunday, November 21

10:00 AM	4:00 PM
George Lammertsen Peter Brandsma Dave Nieuwenhuis	Trevor Visser Jim Vanden Heuvel Frank Anderson Steve Zandberg

### District Division for Sunday, November 28

10:00 AM	4:00 PM
Trevor Visser Jim Vanden Heuvel Frank Anderson Steve Zandberg	George Lammertsen Peter Brandsma Dave Nieuwenhuis

### District Division for Sunday, December 6

10:00 AM	4:00 PM
George Lammertsen Peter Brandsma Dave Nieuwenhuis	Trevor Visser Jim Vanden Heuvel Frank Anderson Steve Zandberg

**\*\*\*Please Note: Any questions or concerns should be directed to your district Elder \*\*\*\*\***

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Pastor Paul will be away from November 19-22.

Elder Jim Vanden Heuvel will lead the morning service and Rev. David Swinney will lead the afternoon service on Nov. 21.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Brian Oldenburger is scheduled for surgery on Wednesday, Nov. 24. Please keep Brian, Liz and their family in your prayers during this long and difficult procedure and pray for the Lord's healing mercies.

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Dear Congregation,

We thank-you for your continued patience as we respond to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic and the safety measures that have been required by our provincial government and health authorities.

We acknowledge that the measures prescribed are difficult, however, it remains important that we abide by those directions to ensure the health of our church community.

The safety precautions in place, such as the use of masks, proper hygiene and safe distancing, are important for our collective well being, and following these practices is important to ensure that our worship services and other church activities remain safe for all.

Our Lord has answered our prayers in providing us with the means by which we can deal with this virus, and with continued observation of these means we will get past this challenging time. Again, thanks to all for your continued efforts to protect one another.

**Council of Grace Reformed Church, Lethbridge.**

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**Christmas Baking for Amazing Kids:** Amazing Grace Church has asked for a bit of help to make their Amazing Kids Christmas celebration special. We've committed to providing special Christmas Baking for their social evening, so we'll need 7 dozen squares and 6 dozen cookies.

Baking can be dropped off at our church on **November 28th**.

If you can help with baking, please sign up through Google Sheets at: <https://tinyurl.com/AK-Christmas-Baking-2021> or contact Carrie Visser

## REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Elim Society** is looking for a person to assist with the administration of Elim Village, working two days a week, work days are negotiable. Duties include office administration, resident services and Board support. As a shared job position, the successful candidate will have the benefit of learning the job with an experienced administrator.

**Elim Village**, an independent Christian Seniors home, is looking to hire an Executive Chef. The chef has the responsibility for provision of a quality dining service taking into account compliance with the Canada Food Guide, Food Safe guidelines and sanitation regulations.

The chef has the responsibility for menu development, meal planning, ordering of supplies, staffing, inventory control and management of the department budget.

For a complete job description, including qualifications, please see our website at [elimlethbridge.org](http://elimlethbridge.org) and check out job postings.

For full details, please see the Elim Society website at [elimlethbridge.org](http://elimlethbridge.org). Competition closes Nov. 15, 2021

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Rehoboth Christian Ministries regrets to announce that the annual pancake breakfast will be cancelled this year, but we would invite you to stop by and take a look at all the great Christmas gift ideas we have from our variety of local vendors!

Poinsettias and Christmas greens arrive on November 18<sup>th</sup>! Christmas hours start on November 17 and run until December 17<sup>th</sup>. Hours will be: Monday – Wednesday 9:30-3:30, Thursday – Friday, 9:30-6pm, Saturday 10-4. See you soon!

# 22 BY 22



22 new monthly donors by January 1, 2022

Dear Friends,

I am writing you today to invite your church to partner with the Lethbridge Pregnancy Care Centre in our **22 BY 22** campaign. Monthly donors give stability to our ministry and allow us to focus on the clients we serve rather than on where the funding will come from each month.

If your church is willing to help me promote this campaign, I will send you a package including a **printable poster, social media graphics, slide images, bulletin announcements** and a **short video** promoting the campaign. I understand that each church communicates differently with their congregation and do not expect that you would use all the attachments but rather just the ones that work best for you. **I would also be more than happy to come and share a short in-person update** for those who prefer a more personal approach.

The **22 BY 22** campaign is running **November 1 – January 1, 2022.**

**Please let me know if you would be willing to help spread the word and share hope!**

Email: [director@lethbridgepregcentre.com](mailto:director@lethbridgepregcentre.com)

Phone: (403) 942-1819

Danielle Koop  
Executive Director



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**HELP WANTED:** We are looking for a part-time live in caregiver (24 hour shifts – starting at 6:30pm) for our 87 year old mother who has dementia and lives in her home on the family farm located between Granum and Nobleford. We are flexible -would try to accommodate your schedule. Typical shifts are 2-3 days; could range from 1 shift/month to 1 shift/week. We are looking for compassion and gentle care more than education or qualifications. We would appreciate your help in caring for our mother. For more info. please contact Connie Sypkes at 403 357-6992 or at [harveyconniesypkes@gmail.com](mailto:harveyconniesypkes@gmail.com).

Mark Your Calendars for **Monday, November 22!**

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Immanuel Christian Schools has teamed up with PANAGO PIZZA (NORTH) to offer you the opportunity to support our school by purchasing your pizza order at any time of the day on Monday, November 22! 15 % of the total net sales (from all of Panago's customers) will be donated back to our school!!

Orders can only be delivered to the North or South side of Lethbridge. Families living on the West Side are welcome to pick up their orders at the North side location. \*We recommend you pre-order (especially for supper) by calling 403-310-0001 or use the Panago App, visit [www.panago.com](http://www.panago.com) or place a walk-in order at Panago North! (2667 Scenic Dr N #30, Lethbridge, AB)

Thank You SO MUCH for supporting Immanuel Christian Schools in this way!

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Dear Society members,

Our Virtual Fall Society Meeting will be held on Monday, November 29 at 7:30 pm . We invite you to participate and join us online. The Zoom link will be emailed out on the day of the meeting to our Society Members, and will also be posted on the [Society website](#). Meeting package will also be available on the [Society website](#). We look forward to the day when we can host an in-person meeting but until then we are excited to have you join us virtually.

Sincerely, Jason Ferrie  
On behalf of the Society Board



**Society for Christian Education in Southern Alberta**

*Immanuel Christian Schools*

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**October is Infant Loss Awareness Month.** Lethbridge and District Pro-Life would like to honor and acknowledge the grief of mothers, fathers, and their families who have experienced infant loss, by offering a place to commemorate these children.

Our Memorial in Royal View Cemetery in North Lethbridge has space for names and dates of children who do not have a burial site or were not able to have a funeral. These plaques are for miscarriages, abortions, stillbirths, or tragic losses after birth. There is no cost to the families.

Please email [infantmemorialdpl@gmail.com](mailto:infantmemorialdpl@gmail.com) with the child's name (can be first only or first and last) and date you would like to acknowledge, or if you have any questions about this memorial. Absolute confidentiality will be maintained. Going forward, this will be an annual event during October and the memorial will be updated with names once per year. For 2021 we are taking names until November 30. Names submitted after that will be added the following year.