

September 20, 2020



*The purpose of Bethany Baptist Church is to bring glory to God by making disciples who reflect the character and priorities of Jesus Christ.*



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**Today - Sunday, September 20**

8:45 a.m. Worship Service

Sunday School Online [Afternoons]

10:30 a.m. Worship Service [Also Livestreamed]

Pastor Peter Erratt

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Bethany Family Church Prayer

Come and join us for a safe prayer time together.

**But grow in the grace and knowledge  
of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.  
To him be the glory both now  
and to the day of eternity.**

**Amen.**

**II Peter 3:18**

### **Important Notes!**

1. Please contact the church office with any questions, concerns, or comments.
2. If you wish to have a CD of the service please contact the church office.
3. Donations may be made online on the church website [www.bethanybaptist.ab.ca](http://www.bethanybaptist.ab.ca) (click on donate in upper right). Also by mail or dropped off at the church office.
4. We are looking for volunteers for our audio/visual team for Sunday services, contact the church office if you are interested.

## Upcoming Events

### Wednesday, September 23

JH & SH Youth Kickoff  
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the church

### Thursday, September 24

Women's Evening of Worship:  
Celebrating Godly Womanhood  
7:00 p.m. at the church

You are invited by the BBC  
Women's Ministry Team to join us  
for an evening of Worship and  
Fellowship.

Please let us know if you are  
coming and RSVP on the signup  
list in the foyer or by contacting  
the church office or any other  
member of the Women's Ministry  
Team by **Sunday, September 20.**

### Sunday, September 27

Sunday School Online  
[Afternoons]  
Contact Cory or Diana Leniuk  
for details.

### Sunday, October 4

12:00 p.m. Discovering Bethany  
Newcomers Lunch at the church  
**Signup list in foyer.**

### Sunday, October 4

BBC Member Meeting  
6:00 p.m. at the church

### Tuesday, October 6

Awana  
Kindergarten - Grade 5  
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the church  
Registration will be capped at 50  
kids. No registration cost.

### Wednesday, October 7

7:00 p.m. Discovering Bethany  
Membership Class at the church  
**Signup list in foyer.**

### Wednesday, October 14

7:00 p.m. Discovering Bethany  
Baptism Class at the church  
**Signup list in foyer.**

**Question: "What does the Bible say about  
strength?"**

Article from [www.gotquestions.org](http://www.gotquestions.org)

**Answer:** The word *strength* and its derivatives are mentioned over 360 times in the Bible, applying to both natural and supernatural strength. The Greek word *katei* means "power, strength, might." In the Bible, strength is often linked to God's power. Believers are to "be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power" ([Ephesians 6:10](#)). The unlimited power of Christ is the source of strength for those who belong to Him.

According to the Bible, what strength we have is not our own. It ultimately comes from God. "Let not the wise boast of their wisdom or the strong boast of their strength . . . but let the one who boasts boast about this: that they have the understanding to know me, that I am the Lord" ([Jeremiah 9:23-24](#)).

Those who rely on God's strength from day to day will find in Him a never-ending spring of energy: "Blessed are those whose strength is in you. . . . They go from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion" ([Psalm 84:5, 7](#)). As God's children, we are strengthened by His grace ([Hebrews 13:9](#)), by our time spent in prayer ([Luke 18:1](#)), and by the promise that God will reward our efforts ([Galatians 6:9](#)). Many around us may grow weary and faint, but "those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint" ([Isaiah 40:31](#)).

**Recommended Resource:** [Quiet Strength: The Principles, Practices & Priorities of a Winning Life](#), by Tony Dungy with Nathan Whitaker

## Prayer Opportunities

**Pray for our Missionaries.  
Refer to your "In the Fold"  
Missionary Prayer Cards.**

- **Acute Health Needs:**
- **Finance:** Treasurer
- **Fellowship Prairies Church:** Parks City Gospel, Winnipeg, MB

To send a Prayer Request or join the Prayer Line: Phone or email the church office

## Small Groups Ministry

Coordinator: Martin Scholz

- **Seniors Small Group** ([Fridays](#) 6:30 p.m.)
- **Scholz - call:** Martin & Lorna (Two [Sundays](#) per month after the service)
- **Shortt/Reeve - call:** Doug & Joan ([Wednesdays](#) 7:00 p.m.)  
Don & Patricia
- **Smith - call:** Tom & Tina ([Wednesdays](#) 6:30 p.m.)
- **Street - call:** Dave & Laurel

As a way to serve and shepherd our church family better, the Elders Board would like to invite your prayer requests, comments, and questions to the Elder associated with your last name.

### **Elder Shepherding Groups**

A-B (Richard Klassen); C-D (Pastor Peter Erratt); E-F (Lyndon Unger); G-J (David Street); K-M (Tom Smith); N-R (Don Collier); S-Z (Pastor Dennis Burriss)

### **Donation Policy**

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