



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

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

9 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship Service & Children’s Church during the sermon  
6 PM Prayer Meeting  
Nursery is available in the supervised room downstairs or the unsupervised room in the back of the sanctuary with audio

Sermon

Speaker: Pastor Peter

Scripture: 1 Cor. 11:2–16

Letting God’s Word Shape How We Worship (Part One)

OUR ELDER SHEPHERDING GROUP

A-B → Lyndon Unger  
C-D → Tim Archibald  
E-H → David Street  
I-M → Pastor Peter Erratt

N-R → Tom Smith  
S → Cory Leniuk  
T-Z → Dennis Burriss

According to the first letter of your last name, feel free to bring any questions or concerns to your assigned elder or email them at [elders@bethanybaptist.ab.ca](mailto:elders@bethanybaptist.ab.ca)

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PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

• Health Needs: Shay Flyer, John Eng  
→ Email us your prayer requests or to join the Prayer Line!

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Music

The Music Ministry provides direction for the overall music ministry of the church, arranging the schedule for Sunday worship services and coordinating occasional special music for celebrations such as Easter and Christmas. As Ephesians 5:19–20 reminds us, “Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything.” Please pray for our Music Ministry Leader, Lorna Scholz, our team leaders Daniel Allers, Don Reeve, Mark Tomalty, and Jianne Vinoya, and all their teammates, that God will guide, strengthen, and bless them as they use their gifts to lead our church in worship.

“Love does not insist on its own way.” - 1 Cor. 13:5

UPCOMING EVENTS

**TUE SEPTEMBER 29**  
6:30 pm Adventure Club  
6:30 pm Youth

**TUE SEPTEMBER 29 to 30**  
Pastors’ Retreat

**WED SEPTEMBER 30**  
6:30 am Men’s Breakfast  
9:30 am Seniors’ Ministry

**FRI OCTOBER 2**  
9:30 am Ladies’ Bible Study

**SAT OCTOBER 10**  
10 am Christina & Mitchell’s Wedding

**WED OCTOBER 14**  
6:30 pm Elders’ Meeting

JOIN OUR LIFE GROUP

EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON

- Tim & Michelle Archibald

EVERY OTHER SUNDAY

- Martin & Lorna Scholz
- Tom & Tina Smith
- Peter & Nancy Erratt

EVERY WEDNESDAY

- Don & Jan Collier
- David & Laurel Street

EVERY THURSDAY

- Mark & Shannia Guenther

EVERY OTHER THURSDAY

- Lyndon & Leah Unger

| August Financial Report |                |             |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| General Fund Donation   | Monthly Budget | Received    |
|                         | \$31,835       | \$32,099.75 |
| Missions Giving         | Received YTD   | August      |
|                         | \$35,835       | \$5,145     |

OFFERING

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Donation Policy

The spending of funds received by Bethany Baptist Church is confined to Church approved programs and projects. Each gift designated toward an approved program or project will be used as designated with the understanding that when any given need has been met, or the specified program or project cannot be reasonably carried out or has not been approved, designated gifts will be used where needed most. Where appropriate, an official receipt for tax purposes will be issued as soon as possible after the year end.

## MISSIONARY UPDATES

### Jim and Kathy Hansen

Dear Prayer Partner,

I find that breakfasts are a great time to connect with students. This year our enrollment is full, and the kitchen staff is new, so I have to bring my own breakfast. Breakfast, as compared to lunch, is just a little quieter in the dining hall, and some students don't start class right away, so we have some time to talk.

Last week, I was sitting with a new student and asked him where he was from. He said that he was from a Christian family in the southeast. I asked him if he was thinking of missions or just came for the Bible. He said he didn't know about missions yet, but what he most desired was to deal with his doubts about his faith.

"Doubts about what?", I asked. He assured me that he believed the story of Jesus and that he believed in Jesus, but he had other doubts that bothered him, like doubts about the reliability of the Bible. It was written a long time ago. How do we know that what we have is what Moses or Paul wrote? Aren't there passages in the Bible that are in doubt? I couldn't help but think that I sat with the right person for breakfast.

I began to walk him through how we got our Bible. As the Bible was copied and recopied by hand over many years, some changes did enter into the text, but the number of ancient copies we have is so enormous (25,000 plus), we have identified those mistakes. And none of those mistakes ever changed anything that the Bible teaches.

By the time we were done, I think we were both very satisfied. All through the years I have said to other teachers, that the easiest part of our job is to teach the Bible. That is essential and vital for every Christian. The other part of our job is to encourage spiritual growth. We need to address the personal questions student have and challenge them to a greater faith. It is possible to learn the Bible passages and doctrines but not grow any closer to Christ. How do we encourage spiritual growth? Personal encounters with students are a vital part of our ministry.

I thank God for being part of a Bible school where so many teachers and staff are invested in personal discipleship of students.

Prayer requests:

Pray that our students will grow in the knowledge of the truth, faith and the fruit of the Spirit.

Pray that God will direct our teachers and staff to students who are in need and use us to strengthen their faith and address their doubts.

Our monthly support has dropped over the summer. Please pray that the Lord will provide what we need.

Finally, Kathy is also starting a new school year at the local elementary school. Her special needs kids are in great need of personal attention and help. Pray that Kathy will be a source of love, comfort, and wisdom as she ministers to needy kids.

### What is complementarianism?

Complementarianism is the teaching that masculinity and femininity are ordained by God and that men and women are created to complement, or complete, each other. Complementarians believe that the gender roles found in the Bible are purposeful and meaningful distinctions that, when applied in the home and church, promote the spiritual health of both men and women. Embracing the divinely ordained roles of men and women furthers the ministry of God's people and allows men and women to reach their God-given potential.

The complementarian view starts with Genesis 1:26–27, which says that God created humanity, male and female, in His own image. Genesis 2:18 contains the further detail that God created Eve specifically to complement Adam: “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.” The two genders are, therefore, part of God's created order. Any modern-day blurring of the genders or distortion of the roles is a result of the Fall.

Complementarianism follows Ephesians 5:21–33 as the model for the home. The husband has the role of headship in the family. He is to nurture his wife and lead his family lovingly, humbly, and sacrificially. The wife has the role of nurturing her children and intentionally, willingly submitting to her husband's leadership. When both husband and wife are complementing each other in this way, Christ is honored. In fact, the marriage itself becomes what it was designed to be: a living picture of Christ and the church (verse 32).

In the church, complementarianism follows 1 Timothy 2:11–3:7 and Titus 2:2–6 as the model. Biblically, the men in the church bear the responsibility to provide spiritual leadership and training. The women are to exercise their spiritual gifts in any way that Scripture allows—the only prohibition is “to teach or to assume authority over a man” (1 Timothy 2:12). When men and women are fulfilling their God-given roles within a church, Christ is honored. In fact, the church itself becomes what it was designed to be: a living picture of Christ's body (1 Corinthians 12:12–27).

The opposing view is egalitarianism, which teaches that, in Christ, there are no gender distinctions anymore. This idea comes from Galatians 3:28. Because all believers are one in Christ, egalitarians say, men's and women's roles are interchangeable in church leadership and in the household. Egalitarianism sees gender distinctions as a result of the Fall and Christ's redemption as removing those distinctions, bringing unity. Complementarianism sees gender distinctions as a result of Creation and Christ's redemption as a return to those distinctions, avoiding confusion. Paul sides with the complementarians, citing the order of creation as the basis for his teaching: “For Adam was formed first, then Eve” (1 Timothy 2:13).

A difference in role does not equate to a difference in quality, importance, or value. Men and women are equally valued in God's sight and in His plan. Complementarianism seeks to preserve the biblical differences between men's and women's roles while valuing the quality and importance of both genders. The result of true complementarianism is honor to Christ and harmony in the church and in the home.


MTO Reach Counselling Presents:

# Fostering Intimacy in Marriage



**TJ MACKENZIE**  
MA, CCC

*Whether your marriage is struggling or you simply want to expand your understanding, this seminar will set you on course to deepen trust, increase desire and experience greater intimacy in your marriage.*

*Don't settle for a disconnected marriage—learn how to build a marriage that you enjoy!*

November 21 @ 6pm

Bethany Baptist Church  
3901 44 St, Red Deer

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The hidden patterns that quietly erode intimacy,  
The “losing strategies” many couples fall into  
The key building blocks needed to achieve a deep connection  
Where to put your effort to receive the most dividends in your marriage

Dessert to follow



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