



*Welcome
to
Bethel
Gospel Chapel
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November 2020



MORNING SERVICES



Every Sunday Morning

9:30 AM

Remembrance Service/Lord's Supper

11:00 AM

Family Bible Hour



Taking notes of the weekly sermon is a good way to remember the speaker's points and to help understand the Word of God. Pre-printed 'Sermon Notes' pages are provided on the trolley at the entrance to the auditorium for everyone's use.



Stay social!
Phone
somebody
different every
day!

November

1st - Luc Tremblay: **John 6: 1-71 The Bread of life**

8th - George Bódy: **John 7:1-24 Seeking God's Honour**

15th - Frank Parker: **John 7:25-52 Can This Be the Christ?**

22nd - Dave Walton: **John 8:1-30 Light of the World**

29th - George Idema: **John 8:31-47 The Truth Will Set You Free**

December

6th - Frank Parker: **John 8:48-59 Before Abraham Was...**

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child is a hands-on way for Christians to bless struggling children in the developing world by filling shoeboxes with toys, hygiene items, school supplies, and other items. Samaritan's Purse Canada collects the boxes and distributes them in the name of Jesus Christ to children living in desperate situations. Due to Covid-19, we will not be doing a central shoebox collection at Bethel. However, there two ways that you can still participate in this ministry:

- If you would like to fill a physical shoebox, they are available in the foyer of the chapel. After packing the box, you can take it to one of several drop-off in the Area (see www.Samaritanspurse.ca/OCC for locations); or

- Pack a shoebox 'online' at www.packabox.ca.

The national collection week is Nov 16th - 22nd.

Children's Programs

Nursery – AHS restrictions do not allow us to offer nursery services at this time. Parents can still supervise their own children in the nursery as necessary.

Sunday School - Sunday School continues in a VBS-format (i.e. group teaching) for the time being. The teaching and activities are built around the theme of Pilgrim's Progress which will be wrapping up soon. If you would like to help, please talk to Doris Walton.

Fellowship Time

Pre-packaged snacks and beverages are available in the fellowship hall between meetings. As per following Covid protocol as well as for your and others safety, we ask you please use wipes on the taps and press buttons of our machines before and after each use, as these are considered "high touch" areas. Used beverage containers should be put in the blue recycling bins, rather than the garbage. Please maintain social-distancing protocols as you visit! Thank You from the Social Committee.

Bethel Online

We will continue to offer **Bethel Online via Zoom from 9:30** (Breaking of Bread) until the end of the Family Bible Hour. Those wishing to participate audibly in the Breaking of Bread, should use the Zoom 'Chat' feature first, so that the host can un-mute you.

Note on Singing

AHS regulations require that if you want to sing you must wear a mask. Otherwise you can hum along to the music. We have provided extra space at the front to accommodate song leaders.

Focus

The Fellowship of Christian University Students ministry continues at Grant McEwan University. For further information, or ways that you can help, talk to Shayne Poirier or Steve Cortez.



WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Men's Bible Study

The men's theology Bible study meets **on Tuesday mornings at 6:30 AM via Zoom**. For more information talk to Frank.

OTHER WEEKLY ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



MONTHLY DUTIES

Listed below are the people serving with the following duties for the month of **November**. **Persons on Duties subject to change**. If you are not able to fulfill your duties, please remember to arrange for an alternate. Thank you.

Nov	1st	8 th	15 th	22 nd	29 th	Dec 6 th
LS Setup	Rob K	Rob K	Rob K	Rob K	Rob K	John K
Door Duty	Rob K	Rob K	Rob K	Rob K	Rob K	John K
LS Opening	John K	Luc T	George B	Joe J	Dave W	John K
Announcements	George I	George I	George I	George I	George I	Dave W
FBH Usher	Storme M	Storme M	Storme M	Storme M	Storme M	Ethan F
FBH Soundboard	Rob S	Theryn M	Bethany I	Rob S	Theryn M	Bethany I
FBH Chairman	Frank P	Dave W	George I	Frank P	Dave W	George I
LS/FBH Pianist	Dave W/ Anna S	Sarah T/ Anna S	Dave W/ Sarah T	Sarah T/ Anna S	Sarah T/ Anna S	Dave W/ Sarah T

Please have items for the bulletin sent to Sonja by the Thursday prior. Thank you!

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If you would like a visit from the elders, contact **George Idema (780-433-7599)**, **Frank Parker (780-479-1330)**, or **Dave Walton (780-909-0638)**



Bethel Bulletin-Back Blog (BBBB)

Five Hundred Thirty-Third Posting
November 2020

John wanted his readers to believe 'that Jesus is the *Messiah, God's Son' (John 20:31). That is why he wrote his *Gospel.

Matthew, Mark and Luke recorded many *miracles in their *Gospels. But John chose to record only 7 *miracles. He called them '*signs'. A *sign is something that gives evidence. The *miracles gave evidence that Jesus is God's Son.

John also emphasised that Jesus was human. John recorded that Jesus was tired (John 4:6). John also recorded that Jesus needed food (John 4:31). Jesus was very sad when his friend Lazarus died. At that time, Jesus cried (John 11:35). On another occasion, Jesus became angry with the people who did business in the *Temple (John 2:15). And John also recorded that Jesus was *thirsty (John 19:28).

Jesus was not half human and half God. He was completely human and completely God, too. Many people agree that John emphasised this for a particular reason. In the early *church, some people were teaching false beliefs about Jesus.

One group taught that Jesus was not really God. They said that he was just a man. They believed that the *Holy Spirit entered him at his *baptism. But before he died, the *Holy Spirit left him. Another group taught that Jesus was not really a man. They said that he did not have a physical body. They believed that he was a spirit. And they believed that he only seemed to be human. Both these groups were wrong!

John and the other *disciples had lived with Jesus for about three years. John knew that Jesus was a real man. Also John had seen the *miracles that Jesus did. John watched Jesus die on a *cross. And John had also seen Jesus after he (Jesus) had become alive again. John knew that Jesus had defeated death. And John had seen Jesus rise up to heaven.

So John knew that Jesus was a real man. But Jesus was and is also God's Son. John wrote his *Gospel to prove this.

In many ways, John's *Gospel is different from the other three *Gospels. John did not include any stories about Jesus' birth or his *baptism. John only recorded 7 *miracles, which he called '*signs'. John did not include any parables (stories which Jesus told to teach something about God). But John recorded many long speeches that Jesus made.

The writer Eusebius (about AD 260-339) believed that John knew about the other three *Gospels. But when he read them, John had not yet written his *Gospel. He was still just talking to people about his life with Jesus. John agreed that the other *Gospels were true accounts.

But Jesus was already *preaching before King Herod put John the *Baptist in prison. The other *Gospels did not include an account of this. They recorded much about what Jesus did in *Galilee.

Also, they recorded what Jesus did in *Jerusalem just before his death. But Jesus went to *Jerusalem at other times, too. So John provided the facts that were missing from the other *Gospels. He used information that they did not have. John's account did not disagree with the other *Gospels. It added different information, so that we can understand more about Jesus.

The second century writer, Clement, from Alexandria, called John's *Gospel a '*spiritual *Gospel'. In some ways, he was right. John did not record just facts about Jesus. John had thought much about what Jesus had said. And John had thought much about the *miracles that he had seen. He wanted to explain the *spiritual meaning of Jesus' words and acts.

But John also included many physical details. For example, the loaves that Jesus used to feed 5000 people were '*barley loaves' (John 6:9). He recorded the distance that the *disciples had travelled across the lake (John 6:19). And he remembered how the smell of the *perfume filled the house at Bethany (John 11:32). These details do not seem important. But they are memories of a person who was present at these events. So John's *Gospel is not just a *spiritual book. It is the personal account of someone who had seen these events.

Taken from: <https://www.easyenglish.bible/bible-commentary/john-ma-lbw.htm>