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October 15

Please see our church website for daily and weekly devotional resources:

For in-house produced weekly sermon reflections with fun household activities: Resources > Building Faith at Home > Unlocking the Truth in the Gospel of John

For external daily devotionals: Resources > Daily Devotional Resources

Sunday, October 19

ONE service @ 10:30 am

The service is livestreamed.

Programming for Grade 8 and under dismissed from the service. Nursery provided.

Scripture: John 3:3-8, 16-21

Come and Connect at the Lethbridge Corn Maze!

All ages and stages

Saturday, Oct. 18 1:00-3:00 pm

Contact Angela for a ride



The Chosen Watch Party

Mondays at 6:30 pm, starting Oct. 20

Watching the life of Jesus and his followers



Craft and Bake Sale

November 15 & 16

Information Sheet and vendor application are available at the Welcome Desk



Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

with Lisa Ratzlaff

October 26 5-7 pm

Childcare is available during the presentation.

Last names starting with:

A-N: Bring a salad, veggie, or side to share

O-Z: Bring a dessert

Ham will be provided.

Bring your own dishes and cutlery.

Thank Offering 2025

Internationally:

- **Lebanon:** Partial scholarship for pastoral seminary education
- **Canadian Baptist Ministries:**

o Vennture program: Education and entrepreneurship in majority world countries

Where Most Needed: Crisis response & fighting human trafficking

Locally:

- **Mill Creek Camp:** Facilities, scholarships, additional funds for staff
- **InterVarsity Christian Fellowship:** Ministry to university and college students

- **Lethbridge Soup Kitchen**

Leadership Training & Discipleship program for teens at Gull Lake Centre

Total goal: \$13,500

When donating to the church, specify your donation as 'Thank Offering' to support these ministries!

HAPPENINGS

Adult Sunday School 9:15 am West Wing

Book of Mark. Led by Gord Hunt

Online Adult Sunday School 9:00 am

"Listening to the Voices of Jeremiah."

Contact Mark for the Zoom link

Handbells: Mondays

Bridge City Bells @ 1 pm

FirstB Bells @ 5:15 pm.

Tuesday Women's Morning Bible Study

10 am West wing.

Drop-In Wednesday 10:00 – 11:30 am.

Join us for coffee, conversation, puzzles and games.

Wednesday Bible Study

Exodus

Alternate Wednesdays next one: **Oct 15**

West Wing 6:30-8:00 pm

ABIDE: Living the Word Together

Alternate Wednesdays, **Oct 22**

West Wing at 6:30 pm

Thursday Morning Men's Book Study

8:00 - 9:00 am

Art Class

Every Thursday 9:30 am

Please remember that due to some people's sensitivity to scents that the sanctuary is fragrance free.

Financial Update

In September our deficit grew again by \$5,373 to \$49,725 for the year.

Total income \$403,788

Total expenses \$453,513

Current Deficit \$ 49,725

This is a large amount to reduce before year end.

More important are the budget implications. At the end of September, we are 75% through our year, but have received only 59% of budgeted income. At the end of September there was a \$86,768 shortfall in what we expected to have to meet the actual 2025 budget number.

This is more than one full time staff equivalent. To be realistic and fiscally responsible, the finance committee will be preparing a budget based on income received. It will be up to the congregation to determine the level of support at the annual congregational meeting in November.

Handbell Discovery 2025 at St. Andrew's October 17 to 18

Handbell Concert at 7pm. Free admission—donations accepted at the door.

"This Month's Worship" on Spotify



Listen to the music we've been singing at Church this month! This playlist has the Songs from today and our past few services. It is updated mid-week with the music we'll sing next Sunday.

Around the City

Check the bulletin board in the foyer for events happening around the city - from volunteer opportunities to concerts to fundraisers to opportunities at Martha's Retreat Center.

Joshua Leventhal's Old Friends, New Beginnings Tour! October 30 @ 7pm

E Free Church

Poster on the bulletin board with more info.

Prayer Requests

Need prayer? Contact any of our staff: mark@firstb.net, troy@firstb.net, katelyn@firstb.net, angela@firstb.net, hannah@firstb.net