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### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH LEADERSHIP

#### PASTORAL STAFF

**Senior Pastor, Dr. John Oakes**

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(Pastor John is available for pastoral counselling and visitation by appointment. His regular weekday day off is Monday.)

**Director of Music, Grant Gwynn**

**Family Ministries Coordinator, Tim Froese**

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#### BOARD OF DEACONS

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Darren Lof; Sharon Tobert; Brian Kinniston; Joseph Neely; John Oakes; Johnny Ratum



## Ebenezer Baptist Church

*Winning and building passionate,  
life-long followers of Jesus Christ*

**Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018**



*"Since the creation of the world  
God's invisible qualities—his eternal  
power and divine nature—have  
been clearly seen, being under-  
stood from what has been made,  
so that people are without  
excuse." (Romans 1:20)*

10:30 a.m. Worship  
"The Justice of God"  
(Romans 1:18–32)  
Dr. John Oakes

# WORSHIP CELEBRATION

## Ebenezer Baptist Church

April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

### We Gather in Jesus' Name

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn #41: *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Prayer and Greetings

### We Worship in Spirit and in Truth

Songs of Praise and Worship

Children's Focus

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Offering: Solo: *Lord I Need You* (C. Nockels, et al.),  
sung by Jennifer Sinclair

### God Speaks to Us through His Word

Reading: Romans 1:18-32

Message: "The Justice of God" — Dr. John Oakes

### We Respond and Go Forth to Serve

Hymn #31: *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* (Tune: #172)

Benediction

***You are invited to join us for fellowship and refreshments  
in the Narthex immediately after the service.***

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### Monday



**Paul and Melissa Ewing, Japan.** Paul serves as the NAB field director for Japan and works closely with the Japan Baptist Conference. He leads weekly Bible studies, disciples church members, leads the mission, and participates on the Kansai Christian School and Japan Evangelical Missionary Association boards. We pray for Komyo Christian Church, the church the Ewings helped plant in Japan, asking God to help the members grow deeply in faith in God's Word as they share and serve.

### Tuesday

We intercede for our neighbourhood and for all who live and work in South Vancouver. We thank God for the opportunities we have to serve and reach out to them and we ask God's help and guidance to do so more effectively.

### Wednesday

We lift up the missions, outreach, and family ministries of Ebenezer. We pray for the new Alpha programme. May God continue to reach out and minister to all participants, and may we be bold in inviting our friends and neighbours to join us.

### Thursday

On our NABC prayer list this week, we remember Lead Pastor Roger Liegmann, Pastor Carrie Liegmann, the other staff, leaders and people of Westmount Church, West Kelowna. We especially pray for the new church plant at 'Xtreme Landmark Cinemas, asking for God's direction, provision, and power in all their ministries.

### Friday

We pray for our Senior Pastor, Music Director, Family Ministries Coordinator, Elders, Deacons, other staff and leaders. May they know the presence, enabling and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

### Saturday

We pray for our sick, shut-ins and bereaved, and for all who care for them. May they find healing and wholeness, comfort and peace, in Christ.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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If you are **new to Ebenezer** or started attending at any point during the past couple of years, **you're very welcome to join us for a newcomers' lunch at the parsonage on Sunday, May 13, at 12:30 p.m.** A sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Desk. *John Oakes*

### VBS Summer 2018!

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### Semi-Annual Church Business Meeting

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### Missions Lunch

All are invited to **a special Missions lunch provided by our friends at Kingscrest on Sunday, June 3**, after church.

## REGULAR MID-WEEK PROGRAMMES

### Challengers 55+—April 25

Speaker: Rev. Tony Tremblett. Please bring a sandwich for your lunch.

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