



Sunday, July 5, 2026

Staying Faithful to God in the Anguish of Babylon

Psalm 137

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WELCOME TO EASTWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

We're so glad you are here to join us in our corporate worship of God this morning. Below is some information about our church.

Washrooms

Washrooms are located down the hall (towards the gym). Please accompany all children who need to leave during the service.

Children's Ministry

Nursery (0-24 months) and Preschool (2s and 3s) are open before the service. Children can be signed in at their respective rooms opposite the washrooms. Kindergarten (JK to Grade 1) and Children's Sunday School (Grades 2 to 5) are dismissed partway through the service. Children must be registered at the Welcome Centre prior to the service.

Nursing Mothers' Room

There is a private room in the nursery for nursing mothers where you can listen to the service. If you'd like to use this room, please ask one of the nursery workers.

Gymnasium

The gym will be open for fellowship and play following the morning service. There is no childcare provided during this time, so please keep an eye on your children to ensure their safety.

Financial Support

The members of Eastwood happily support the work of this church. If you would like to give, you may leave cash or a cheque donation in the mail slot next to the office door or send an e-transfer to tithe@eastwoodchurch.ca. All donations are tax receiptable provided your name and address are included on the donation.

Questions?

Contact Rita Charron (Office Administrator) at office@eastwoodchurch.ca or 519-633-4131

ORDER OF SERVICE

Pre-Service

Welcome & AnnouncementsJohn Hood
Opening Prayer.....John Hood

Corporate Worship Service

Call to WorshipJohn Hood
Psalm 150:1-2;6
Worship in SongPraise Band
All Creatures of Our God and King
Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor
Complementary Text ReadingNate Otten
Hebrews 13:14-15
Worship in SongPraise Band
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
Now Why This Fear
Pastoral PrayerDave Pentz
Dismiss ChildrenDave Pentz
Scripture ReadingDave Pentz
Psalm 137
Pew Bible Page 488
SermonJohn Hood
The Lord's Supper
Worship in SongPraise Band
It Is Well with My Soul
CommissionJohn Hood
BenedictionJohn Hood
Romans 15:13

Post-Service

Please join us for coffee and refreshments in the foyer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Backyard Bible Camp Registration: Last Call!

Children ages 6–13 from Eastwood Baptist Church, Eastwood Housing, and the St. Thomas community are invited to attend.

To register, pick up a *Camper Registration Form* at the Welcome Centre or complete the online registration form using the link in our e-news or on our Facebook page.

- Registration Deadline: Monday, July 6, 2026
- Carnival Date: Friday, August 21
- Camp and carnival attendance are free!
- Questions? Contact John Hood at 519-633-4131 or johnhood@eastwoodchurch.ca.

2. Backyard Bible Camp Snack Donations

Thank you for your faithful prayers as our camp staff prepares for the start of Backyard Bible Camps. If you would like to support this ministry in a practical way, we invite you to help by donating snacks for the campers.

A cardboard display is located near the café with labels listing the snack items needed and the dates they are required. Simply take one or more labels, purchase the items, and return them to the interns' office by the requested date.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

3. EBC Annual Church Family Picnic (Sunday, July 19)

Following the morning worship service, join us for our annual church family picnic with a BBQ lunch, traditional picnic games, and fellowship (full details on page 10).

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 150:1-2;6

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty heavens!

Praise him for his mighty deeds;

praise him according to his excellent greatness!

...

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!¹

COMPLEMENTARY TEXT READING

Hebrews 13:14-15

For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.

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SERMON

Title: Staying Faithful to God in the Anguish of Babylon

Text: Psalm 137

1. Stay Faithful by Weeping Over Your Sins and Returning to the Lord (1)
2. Stay Faithful by Resisting the World's Influence (2-4)

3. Stay Faithful by Remembering Your Highest Joy (5-6)

4. Stay Faithful by Entrusting God to Judge the World (7-9)

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Is there anything in particular that stood out to you from the sermon?
2. In your own words, what is the main point of this passage?
3. Do you express godly sorrow over your sin, or are you merely sorry about the consequences of sin (2 Corinthians 7:9-11)? How might remembering your sin against a God who loves you increase your sorrow over sin?
4. What worldly values, behaviours, and cultural norms are you most tempted to conform to (Romans 12:2)? What would resisting that temptation look like?
5. Is the thought of worshipping God in the New Jerusalem your heart's greatest joy in this life? Should it be? Why or why not?
6. Jesus said obeying Him leads to the fullness of joy (John 15:9-11). How does knowing this help you resist the pleasure of sin?
7. Are you currently prioritizing any lesser joys in life—houses, jobs, relationships, etc.—over the kingdom of God and His will (Psalm 137:6)? If so, how might you enjoy God and his blessings in a proper way?
8. How does knowing God will punish sinners in eternal torment in hell (Revelation 20:10-15) enable you to love your enemies and entrust their judgment to God?

UPCOMING EVENTS & MINISTRY UPDATES

This Week

- Women of Power (Tuesday, 9:30-11:00 AM)
- Prayer Meeting (Thursday, 10:00-11:00 AM)
- Worship Service (Sunday, 10:30 AM)

Backyard Bible Camps (July 7-August 20)

Eastwood Baptist Church, 400 Wellington St., St. Thomas

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday Morning: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Eastwood Court, 180 South Edgeware Rd., St. Thomas

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday Afternoon: 1:00-3:00 PM

Alanna's Bridal Shower (Friday, July 17, 7:00-9:00 PM)

Ladies of the church are invited to join us as we celebrate Alanna and KyeongTae's upcoming wedding. Please note that, unlike our usual Jack-and-Jill showers, this will be a ladies-only event.

If you are unable to attend but would still like to give a financial gift, please leave it at the Welcome Centre in a sealed card marked with your name.

EBC Annual Church Family Picnic (Sunday, July 19)

Following the morning worship service, join us for our annual church family picnic with a BBQ lunch, traditional picnic games, and fellowship.

- Location: Kettle Creek Conservation Area (Dan Patterson Pavilion), 44014 Mapleton Line, St. Thomas.
- BBQ lunch provided by the church.
- Please bring a dessert or snack to share.
- Bring lawn chairs or a picnic blanket.
- RSVP by Sunday, July 12, at the Welcome Centre or through the e-news link (please RSVP in only one place).

Parking near the pavilion is limited; carpooling is encouraged.

Free Food and Clothing

The first and third Saturdays of each month from 9:30 to 11:00 AM.

Corporate Prayer Meeting

The last Sunday of each month from 3:00–4:00 PM.

A Note of Gratitude from Jaime Mellor

Thank you everyone for your prayers, words of encouragement, and generosity over the last two weeks. I am thankful to be home and getting a bit better each day! The Lord provided great peace to me each step of the way.