



Sunday, September 27, 2026

When God's Plan Hurts

1 Kings 19:1-18

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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 & Announcements John Hood
Opening Prayer..... John Hood

Corporate Worship Service

Corporate Call to Worship John Hood
Psalm 62:5-8

Worship in Song Praise Band
Rock of Ages
Lord from Sorrows Deep I Call

Call to Confession (Lack of Faith) John Hood
Silent Prayer of Confession..... Congregation
Prayer of Faith John Hood

Corporate Word of Assurance Congregation
Worship in Song Praise Band
By Faith
Whatever My God Ordains Is Right

Pastoral Prayer..... John Hood
Dismiss Children..... John Hood
Scripture Reading John Hood
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Sermon Adam Buchwald
Worship in Song Praise Band
In the Valley (Bless the Lord)

Commission John Hood
Benediction John Hood
2 Thessalonians 3:16

Post-Service

Please join us for coffee and refreshments in the foyer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Corporate Prayer Meeting (Today, 3:00-4:00 PM)

All church members and guests are welcome to join us in the Chapel for a time of prayer.

2. Church Membership Class (Sunday, October 18, 1:00-3:00 PM)

This membership class will cover biblical local church membership and what that looks like in practice.

To join, please sign up at the Welcome Centre.

3. Theology Classes (Beginning Wednesday October 7, 7:00-8:00 PM)

How does God save people? That's an important question, and how we answer it shapes our understanding of God, ourselves, salvation, Christian living, and mission.

This year, we'll be studying the Doctrines of Grace in an 11-part mid-week series. Classes will be held on Wednesday evenings from 7-8 PM.

Each topic will be taught on two consecutive Wednesdays to accommodate families with young children and those who may be unable to attend one of the weeks. An insert with the full teaching schedule is included in this bulletin. We encourage you to post it on your fridge so you can keep track of the schedule. We hope you'll join us as we study the wonderful truth of how God saves his people.

CORPORATE CALL TO WORSHIP

*(Congregation to read the portions in **bold** font. Leader to read the portion in regular font.)*

Psalm 62:5-8

**For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,
for my hope is from him.**

**He only is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.**

**On God rests my salvation and my glory;
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.**

Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us. *Selah*¹

CALL TO CONFESSION

Matthew 8:23-26a

And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. And they went and woke him, saying, "Save us, Lord; we are perishing." And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?"

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PRAYER OF FAITH

O Lord, cast us into whatever dangers you please, and we will cheerfully await the happy event which will at length prove the wisdom and kindness of even your most mysterious plans.

In the meantime, even as we travel in the bonds of affliction, may we see your hand in the expressions and encouragement of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Like Paul, let us thank you and take courage in the humble assurance that you will stand by us in every future unknown extreme.

You will either display your power and goodness by raising up those around us in support—or you will display your all-sufficiency in a yet more glorious way, bearing us up when everything else fails us. Amen.

—Philip Doddridge

CORPORATE WORD OF ASSURANCE

*(Leader to read the portion in regular font. Congregation to read the portions in **bold font.**)*

Matthew 8:26b-27

Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. And the men marveled, saying, "What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?"

Hebrews 1:3

He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

SERMON

Title: When God's Plan Hurts

Text: 1 Kings 19:1-18

God's Plan for His Glory and Your Good Involves Hard Things (1 Kings 19:1-18)

1. God's Plan for His Glory and Your Good Involves Danger (19:1-3)
2. God's Plan for His Glory and Your Good Involves Disappointment (19:4-10)
3. God's Plan for His Glory and Your Good Involves God's Determined Pursuit of Your Heart (19:11-18)

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. God will sometimes lead us into danger and allow us to experience disappointment for his glory and our good. When danger and disappointment arise, what is your initial reaction? What Bible verses come to mind that help you trust the Lord?
4. Think of a recent time when the Lord providentially led you through danger or disappointment. How did you respond? What did the Lord reveal to you about yourself, and what did he teach you about himself?
5. Elijah felt alone, discouraged, and as though his ministry (and his life) should come to an end, yet the Lord reminded him that he was not alone and that God was still at work. Where are you most tempted to believe that your circumstances mean God is absent or that your faithfulness is accomplishing little? How does 1 Kings 19 correct that way of thinking?
6. Are there particular songs you are drawn to when you are experiencing trials or affliction? What song comes to mind? What specifically about that song encourages your heart and helps you look to the Lord?
7. One application from the sermon is to “lean into God’s people.” What does that practically look like when you are struggling? What often keeps us from leaning into other believers? When someone has leaned on you for help, how have you sought to encourage and care for them?

UPCOMING EVENTS & MINISTRY UPDATES

This Week

- Women of Power (Tuesday, 9:30-11:00 AM)
- Ladies & Lambs (Tuesday, 10:00-11:30 AM)
- Prayer Meeting (Thursday, 10:00-11:00 AM)
- Eastwood Youth—Grades 6-12 (Thursday, 7:00-8:30 PM)
- Free Food & Clothing (Saturday, 9:30-11:00 AM)
- Alanna's Baby Shower (Saturday, 2:00-4:00 PM)
- Digging Deeper (Sunday, 9:00-10:15 AM)
- Worship Service (Sunday, 10:30 AM)

Baby Shower for Alanna Kim (Saturday, October 3, 2:00-4:00 PM)

All ladies are invited to join us for a baby shower honouring Alanna Kim as we celebrate the upcoming arrival of her little one.

55 Plus (Resumes Thursday, October 15, 10:00 AM)

Join us on the third Thursday of each month for a time of fellowship and a devotional, followed by a shared meal. Each month, we alternate between a potluck and a restaurant outing.

Free Food and Clothing

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

Adult Volleyball

Third Friday of each month at 7:00 PM

October exception: Adult Volleyball will be held on the fourth Friday, October 23, due to Thanksgiving.

Corporate Prayer Meeting

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