



Sunday, October 4, 2026

Christ-Centred Faith

Matthew 17:14-20

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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
Membership Covenant Congregation
Opening Prayer..... John Hood

Corporate Worship Service

Corporate Call to Worship..... Congregation
Psalm 96:1-4

Worship in Song Praise Band
O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
In Christ Alone

Complementary Text Reading Vince Wallman
Proverbs 3:5-6

Worship in Song Praise Band
Tis So Sweet to Trust

Pastoral Prayer..... Vince Wallman

Dismiss Children..... Vince Wallman

Scripture Reading..... Vince Wallman
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Sermon..... Steve Kim

The Lord's Supper

Worship in Song Praise Band
Amazing Grace

Commission John Hood

Benediction John Hood
1 Corinthians 15:58

Post-Service

Please join us for coffee and refreshments in the foyer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 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.

2. 55 Plus (Thursday, October 15, 10:00 AM)

Join us for a time of fellowship and a devotional with guest speaker Andrew Goud, one of Eastwood's supported missionaries.

A potluck lunch will follow. Please bring a dish to share, along with your own plate and cutlery.

3. Potluck Lunch (Sunday, October 18, Following the Morning Service)

Join us for a congregational potluck lunch and bring a dish to share:

- ▶ **Last names A-L:** Main dish
- ▶ **Last names M-Z:** Side dish or salad, plus a dessert

Please bring your dish prepared and ready to serve, including any necessary cutting or slicing. We can toss salads

and keep dishes warm. If possible, please bring enough to serve 8-10 people.

4. 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.

EBC MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

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

I will serve the ministry of the church by:

- **Discovering my gifts and talents**
- **Personally pursuing growth in Christ**
- **Developing a servant's heart ¹**

I will protect the unity of the church by:

- **Acting in love toward other members**
- **Refusing to gossip; rather, continually encouraging others**
- **Following leaders as they follow Christ ²**

I will share the responsibility of the church by:

- **Serving the church in ministry**
- **Praying for its growth**
- **Helping create a contagious atmosphere of friendliness**
- **Inviting the unchurched to attend ³**

I will support the testimony of the church by:

- **My presence and faithful attendance**
- **Pursuing godliness in my relationship with Christ**
- **Supporting its vision through my giving**
- **Personally investing in others within the church and also those who do not yet know Christ ⁴**

¹ 1 Peter 4:10; 2 Timothy 2:15; Philippians 2:3-4, 7

² Romans 14:19; 1 Peter 1:22; Ephesians 4:29; Hebrews 13:17

³ 1 Thessalonians 1:1-2; Luke 14:23; Romans 15:7

⁴ Hebrews 10:25; Philippians 1:27; 1 Corinthians 16:2; Ephesians 3:20.

OUR COVENANT WITH YOU

In partnering with Eastwood Baptist Church, you can expect the following from us: a place to grow and exercise your passion and love for Jesus Christ through worship, community, and mission. To find encouragement in your journey of faith. A place to use your gifts and talents to serve. Leaders who, though not perfect, are committed to following Jesus Christ and walking with integrity.

CORPORATE CALL TO WORSHIP

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

Psalm 96:1-4

Oh sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth!
Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!
**For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be feared above all gods.⁵**

COMPLEMENTARY TEXT READING

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

⁵ Scripture quotations are from The Holy Bible, English Standard Version® (ESV®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. All rights reserved.

SERMON

Title: Christ-Centred Faith

Text: Matthew 17:14-20

1. The Powerlessness of Little Faith

2. The Power of Mustard-Seed Faith

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. What is the difference between “little faith” and “faith like a grain of mustard seed”?
4. How would you describe your prayer life right now? What does the pattern of your prayer life reveal about your faith in God?
5. D. A. Carson once said, “Much praying is not done because we do not plan to pray.”⁶ If that’s true for you, make a plan right now to pray moving forward. What does your plan look like? Be specific.
6. Since we began this long series in Matthew’s gospel close to three years ago, how has to Lord changed you?

⁶ Carson, “A Call to Spiritual Reformation,” 19.

UPCOMING EVENTS & MINISTRY UPDATES

This Week

- Women of Power (Tuesday, 9:30-11:00 AM)
- Ladies & Lambs (Tuesday, 10:00-11:30 AM)
- Theology Class—Introduction to the Doctrines of Grace (Wednesday, 7:00-8:00 PM)
- Prayer Meeting (Thursday, 10:00-11:00 AM)
- Eastwood Youth—Grades 6-12 (Thursday, 7:00-8:30 PM)
- Digging Deeper (Sunday, 9:00-10:15 AM)
- Worship Service (Sunday, 10:30 AM)

55 Plus

The third Thursday of each month at 10:00 AM.

Free Food and Clothing

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

Adult Volleyball

The 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.