

Bow Island Evangelical Free Church



December 14, 2025

To Know, Live, and Share Christ.

Today at BIEFC

Sunday School for All Ages: 9:30am

Kids: Age 3-Grade 12 meet upstairs. **Adults:** *Adult Class* in the basement and *Women's Class* upstairs in the nursery.

Prayer & Reflection Time 10:00am-10:15am

A quiet time of personal prayer and reflection in the sanctuary.

Worship Service: 10:30am

Music: Braden & Team

Message: Pastor Dave: Advent 2025: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel – A Tapestry of Joy and Sorrow

Sunday School Christmas Program: 6pm

Please bring christmas goodies to share.

E-Free Young Adults @7pm

This Week

Wednesday: Prayer Meeting @ 9:30am

Youth Bible Study @ 7pm at the Todds

Thursday: Pleasant View Lodge Service @7pm

Friday: Youth Event: Christmas Party

Saturday: Men's Prayer Breakfast – 7am @ the church

Sunday: Sunday School @ 9:30am

Service @ 10:30am

Alfred Egan & LTC Services @3pm

Coming Up...

December 24: Candlelight Christmas Eve Service @6pm

January 10: Ladies Who Lunch

January 16-18: Men's Retreat @SABC. See poster for details.

January 22: Annual Meeting @7pm

For Your Information

Sunday Morning Programs/Service Times

Sunday School – 9:30am

Prayer & Reflection Time – 10:00-10:15am

Worship Service – 10:30am

Child Care During the Service:

Ages 0-3: Staffed nursery available upstairs during the service.

Age 3-Gr. 2: Junior church upstairs during the message. Busy boxes and sermon notes are available in the cupboard at the back with activities they can do sitting in the service.

<u>The Library</u> is open after the service on Sunday mornings. (Located upstairs)

Church Office Hours

Tuesday & Thursday 9-12:30 and 1:30-4 Wednesday & Friday 9-12:30

New to the Church? We would love to help you connect with your new church family. Contact the church office for any questions or if you would like to have a church mailbox and/or copy of our photo directory.

Have Prayer Requests? We have a prayer chain that regularly lifts requests up in prayer. Contact the church office if you have a request you would like us to share or would like to be part of this email group.

Small Groups Ministry

Gathering together to equip, encourage, disciple, and study God's word.

*Dekker/Burdett – Wed.

*B&C Reimer – Wed.

*Freiberg – Wed.

*Serfas – Tues.

*Gross – Wed.

*Mills – Mon.

*Vanderspruit –

Wed. AM (Ladies)

If you would like to join a group or start a new one, contact Pastor George.

Church Family Notes

UPCOMING DEADLINES!

December 21: Nominations for 2026 leadership due.

December 31: Submit 2025 expenses for reimbursement.

January 11: Annual reports and budget requests due.

Kids Prayer Program- There are still 7 kids left! If you are interested in praying for a child in our church family, please pick up a prayer bookmark from Pastor George's office and fill out the sign-up sheet so we know who is assigned to each child.



Thank you to all those who donated to this year's **missions projects**. The total raised came to \$13,030!

Thank you to all the volunteer drivers for **Meals on Wheels** for the month of December!

Missions Opportunity! There is an opportunity for individuals to serve in Hermosillo Mexico with Wade & Adele Hammond by helping with some construction projects this winter. If you are interested in this opportunity, please talk to Pastor George.



Christmas Break Details

No Sunday School December 21 & 28. Will Resume January 4.

Church Office is Closed: December 25 - January 1

Pastor George Vacation: December 22-28
Pastor Dave Vacation: December 28- January 4

Missionary of the Week

Brent & Carol Ann Greiner

The Fall season started off with flurry of ministry opportunities as students returned to their studies at the various Bible colleges in the province. Brent is making some great connections including:

- Mobilizing a student team from Eston Bible College to go on a mission with OM to Albania in May 2026.



- There are 18 students from both Briercrest Bible College and Millar College of the Bible who have expressed an interest in going with me on a mission trip to France next summer.
- Pray for the right people to join Brent on the trip
- Pray for the finances Brent needs to cover the cost of this mission trip (approx. \$3000 cdn)

Other ministry opportunities included:

- Participating in a Missions conference in Swift Current
- Speaking in a chapel at Millar College of the Bible
- Involvement of the Global Day of Prayer at Briercrest College
- Attending a youth event in Saskatoon
- Preaching at the Orion Evangelical Free Church (a supporting church) We were also blessed to spend a wonderful Thanksgiving with Brent's brother and his family in Edmonton.

Volunteers of the Week

Take the opportunity to thank a volunteer for all their work today!



Church Family Care & Services

- <u>Deaconesses</u>
- Church Decorator
- <u>Library</u>

How to Contact Us

Church: 403-545-2274

Pastor George's cell: 403-866-2226 Pastor Dave's cell: 403-866-6263

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ELDERS: Josh Hume (403-928-6625)

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"Nuts and Bolts"

Deadline for Bulletin Submissions is Thursday at noon. Contact the office if you have something to include in next week's bulletin.

Giving

Online: atbcares.com – "Cause" Name: "The Bow Island Evangelical Free Church". (3% fee)

E-transfer: bowislandefc@gmail.com**

In Person: Place it in the offering box in the foyer.**

**New donors please include your full name including middle initial and mailing address. CRA requires this information for receipts.

Finances as of December 11th

Income: \$294,702.93 Actual Expenses: \$282,483.16 Budget Balance: \$ 12,219.77

Cash on Hand

General Fund: \$58,481.04

GIC: \$272,960.36