

# Bow Island Evangelical Free Church



October 12, 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: Akkermans & Friends

Message: Pastor George: Matthew 23:1-28- Hypocrisy, Hubris & Humility

### **This Week**

Monday: Thanksgiving Monday
Tuesday: Kid's Clubs @ 6:15pm

Wednesday: Prayer Meeting @ 9:30am

Youth Bible Study @ 7pm at the Todds

Friday: Youth Event: Lethbridge Corn Maze!

Friday-Saturday: Prairie District Conference in Calgary

Sunday: Sunday School @ 9:30am Service @ 10:30am

Young Adults @7pm

# Coming Up...

October 25: Men's Prayer Breakfast – 7am @ the church

October 26: Baby Dedication Service

October 30: Congregational Meeting @7pm

November 1: Ladies Who Lunch
November 2: Daylight Saving Ends

Directory updates due. Extra forms available on foyer counter.

November 11: Remembrance Day

**November 15&16:** Missions Conference

November 16: Deadline for Operation Christmas Child Boxes

### **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

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.



# **Church Family Notes**

Advent Gifts Coordinator Needed – Each year our church has assembled a small advent gift to give to members of our community leading up to Christmas. If you feel lead to organize this for 2025 please contact one of the deaconesses! (Janet St., Emily F., Siepie V., Wendy T., Sonja W., and Betty-Jo S.)

Prairie District Conference in Calgary October 17-18. Delegates needed! Come and join with other churches in our area for a time of equipping and encouragement. Talk to Pastor George or Dave if interested.

**Small Groups:** If you would be interested in joining a small group or hosting one, please contact Pastor George.

**Baby Dedication** – There will be a baby dedication service Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to dedicate your child, please contact Pastor George.



**Sharing Time** – We are looking for individuals to share stories on how God is at work in their lives. Please talk to one of the Pastors if interested.

The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada has sent us letters with information on the critical point we are at with MAiD legislation and how we can take action and pray effectively. Available on the counter if you would like one.



Operation Christmas Child Boxes are out! Pickup as many as you would like to pack from the foyer. Deadline is November 16<sup>th</sup>.

**E-Free Young Adults** – A community of young people age 18-30*ish* on Sunday evenings who are seeking to follow Jesus together! Call or text Laura & Bruno Gross @ 403-504-8727 or talk to Pastor Dave for further details. WILL RESUME OCTOBER 19th



# **Missionary of the Week**

### **Bryce & Carolyn Carlaw**

Serving in: Ireland with Crossworld Mission

We have been experiencing many sorrows in these days. We've also been living some great delights. We trust that, in these times, the LORD is strengthening you & us, according to his word.



#### Sorrows:

- -We continue to grieve the loss of Carolyn's Mum & Dad.
- -Many others in our congregation have experienced the death of a close loved one.

#### **Delights:**

- -So far there have been 6 baptisms in our church! One of these who has been baptised is our own Jonothan.
- -Many of those Bryce has been involved in training through the "How to teach the Bible" group have now taken up various teaching roles like preaching in church.
- -Weddings! There have been 5 weddings connected to our church so far. It's a delight to see 5 committed Christian couples taking up the covenant of marriage, with hearts that want to serve the Lord.
- -Abi finished school and got her results last Friday. She's done well and is optimistic of getting her first-choice course for university.
- -Next week, Nathan is off to study (3rd year) Part of the Erasmus exchange program allows him to study abroad for a year. Pray that Nathan will grow in life & in faith through this experience.

# **Volunteers of the Week**

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



### **Church Projects & Maintenance**

- Trustees
- **Bus Coordinator**
- **Project Volunteers**
- Groundskeepers

### **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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### "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 fover.\*\*

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

### Finances as of October 9th

Income: \$244.629.32 Actual Expenses: \$226,709.82 Budget Balance: \$ 17,919.50

### Cash on Hand

General Fund: \$43,865.66

GIC: \$270,300.58