

WELCOME TO ELK LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH

FEBRUARY 7, 2010

“THE EARTH IS THE LORD’S And everything in it”

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Entering Into God’s Presence

Call to Worship - Psalm 24: 1 - 2

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #143 - *“This is My Father’s World”*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of God’s Forgiveness and Love

Worshipping God

Song - *“God of Wonders”*

Song - *“Praise the Father”*

Song - *“Creation”*

Special Music - George Roberts *“The Blind Ploughman”*

Pastoral Prayer

Song - *“Thank You, Lord”*

Offering

Song with Children and Leaders - Hymn #586 *“He’s Got The Whole World”*

Children leave

The following programs are offered:

- Nursery care for children ages 0-3
- Tween Team for ages 10 and up

Listening to God

Scripture Reading: John 3: 16 - 21

{Red Bible - pg. 1030; Burgundy Bible - pg. 1284}

Leader: “This is the word of the Lord”

People: “Thanks be to God

(Taize) Song - *“Wait for the Lord”*

Sermon

We are Sent Into The World

Closing Hymn #420 - *“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”*

Benediction

Dispersal - “Go in Peace”

Postlude

TO OUR GUESTS

We welcome those who are visiting with us this morning as we celebrate the Lord’s presence. Please sign the guest book in the foyer and join us after the service for coffee and conversation in our Fellowship Hall.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to be an outreaching Christian community that is learning to follow the teaching of Jesus and growing together in passionate, worshipful love for God. Prayerfully listening to God, and energized by the Holy Spirit, we will serve Him where He leads us, locally and globally, bearing witness to the gospel in word and deed, with the abundant resources and gifts God has granted us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ~ **Today we say farewell** to Ryan, Samantha, Isabelle and Alexandra Johnston who are moving to Langley. There will be a time of farewell following this service in the Fellowship room. We are happy for the opportunities that Ryan and Sam will have in Langley, but very sorry we won’t be sharing the journey together as we have in the past few years.
- ~ **The next congregational prayer time** will be on Ash Wednesday, February 17th, 7 - 8 p.m. at the church.
- ~ **CBM/Sharing Way** have established a Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund. You may contribute to this fund through an ELB giving envelope. (Write: Haiti Earthquake Relief). Cheques may be made out to ELB from which you will receive an income tax receipt. All such designated funds will be sent to CBM/Sharing Way for helping the situation in Haiti.
- ~ **Adult Sunday School will begin on Sunday, February 21st.** Please talk to Rick Downe for more information.
- ~ **The Baptist Women’s meeting** this month is at 10:00 a.m. as usual, but will this time be followed by a delicious homemade soup and bun lunch, after which Fran Barton will lead us in the Great Canadian Bible Study. Please read John 4: 1-42 as an overview of the study. We will meet at the church and we invite any and all ladies to join us for this special day. If you can only make it for lunch and the Bible Study, we would be very pleased to have you join us at 12:00 noon.
- ~ **Elk Lake Baptist Church wishes to hire a part time youth leader** (10 hours per month) for a group of early teens and nearly teens who are eager to be part of a youth group

experience. For more information or to submit a resume and cover letter, please contact Elk Lake Baptist Church at elklakebaptist@shaw.ca or 5349 Pat Bay Hwy, Victoria BC, V8Y 1S9 or call (250) 658-8111.

- ~ **A New Feature:** Each Sunday, we will be providing a special worship bulletin for children ages 3 – 6 and one for children ages 7 –11. Please see an usher if your children didn’t receive this bulletin. (Thanks to Alison Ellis for arranging this).
- ~ **Dr. Rikk Watts, New Testament professor** at Regent College, Vancouver, will be giving a public lecture at the University of Victoria, Monday, February 8, from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. See bulletin board for more information.
- ~ **Kids Helping Kids.** Donna Forster would like us to be aware of a “Kids Helping Kids” event on Tuesday, March 2, 7:00 p.m. at First Church of the Nazarene, 4277 Quadra. Proceeds from ticket sales help children in need who attend Greater Victoria Public Schools. Tickets \$12 (Adults) \$10 (Students and Seniors) See bulletin board for contact info.
- ~ **The 95th Anniversary of CGIT in Canada** is being hosted by Centennial United Church on Saturday, April 24th. All CGIT Alumnae and CGIT groups in B.C. are invited to participate. See bulletin board for more information.
- ~ **The Men’s Breakfast for February has a date change.** Please note that **FEBRUARY 20TH is the date** of the next Men’s Breakfast. The Fellowship Hall has been rented out to the Weaver’s Guild on the weekend we usually meet.
- ~ **Advance notice of an Easter Choir being organized!** If you are interested in joining, please make a note in your diary to keep Friday nights in March open for rehearsals. Speak to George #2 and sing every day!
- ~ **Michael W. Smith will be performing** at Glad Tidings Church on Wednesday, May 12th. See bulletin board for more information..

THIS WEEK AT ELK LAKE BAPTIST

Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Baptist Women
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PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

- ~ The situation in Haiti following the earthquake.
- ~ Toni Smith having shoulder surgery on February 9th.
- ~ The Johnston family

GOD OF WONDERS

1. Lord of all creation
Of water earth and sky
The heavens are Your tabernacle
Glory to the Lord on high

Chorus

*God of wonders beyond our galaxy
You are holy holy*

*The universe declares Your majesty
You are holy holy*

*Lord of heaven and earth
Lord of heaven and earth
Lord of heaven and earth*

2. Early in the morning
I will celebrate the light
And as I stumble in the darkness
I will call Your name by night

*Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth
Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth
Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth*

PRAISE THE FATHER

Who is the one to whom you belong
Who in your weakness has made you strong
Who fills your heart with joyful song
It is the Lord your God

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
Who was and is and is to come
All praise and honour and glory and power
O praise his name forever

Who is the one who for you died
Was mocked and spat at and crucified
Who rose from the dead and is glorified
It is the Lord your God

Who is the one whom with you will be
From highest mountain to darkest valley
Who is the one whom in you dwells
It is the Lord your God

CREATION CALLS

I have felt the wind blow, whispering your name;
I have seen your tears fall, when I watch the rain.

(Chorus 1)

*How could I say there is no God
When all around creation calls?
A singing bird, a mighty tree
The vast expanse of open sea.*

Gazing at a bird in flight, soaring through the air
Lying down beneath the stars, I feel your presence there.

(Chorus 2)

*I love to stand at ocean's shore
And feel the thundering breakers roar
To walk through golden fields of grain
'Neath endless blue horizon's frame
Listening to a river run, watering the earth
Fragrance of a rose in bloom, a newborn's cry at birth*

(Chorus 1)

(Chorus 2)

I believe, I believe, I believe

THANK YOU, LORD

Thank you, Lord, for saving my soul.
Thank you, Lord, for making me whole.
Thank you, Lord, for giving to me
Thy great salvation so rich and free.

WAIT FOR THE LORD

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

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