

## Who Do You Say I am?

Notes

March 31, 2024

Welcome! Let's get acquainted.

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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- First time visitor
- Returning visitor
- Interested in volunteering
- Would like a pastor to call
- Would like to know more about being a Christian
- I have a prayer request

Please take this card to the Welcome Centre or fill it out online at [mckernanbaptist.ca/contact](http://mckernanbaptist.ca/contact)

By filling out this card, you give permission to McKernan Baptist Church to contact you.

### Questions

1. In what ways does your confession of "Who Jesus is" serve as a life altering truth in your life?
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Take a moment to reflect personally on Jesus' identity, and how it shapes your life.
3. How can you cultivate a deeper and richer sense of Jesus' identity, so that you can solidify your confession even in the face of adversity and doubt?
4. Reflect on opportunities that you might have in sharing your confession to those who don't know Jesus.

**Happy Resurrection Sunday, McKernan! He is risen!** This morning, Pastor Nathanael will be taking a look at Matthew 16:13-20 and answering the question that Jesus asks His disciples, "Who do you say I am?" Peter's response to this question marks a pivotal moment in the Gospel, emphasizing Peter's recognition of Jesus as the promised Messiah and the Son of God. Peter may not have fully grasped his own confession, but his words echo throughout history as a profound declaration of faith. By doing so, it reminds us of the significance of Jesus' identity and the transformative power that is found in His resurrection.

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup>And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup>He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock[b] I will build my church, and the gates of hell[c] shall not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed[d] in heaven." <sup>20</sup>Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.  
- *Matthew 16:13-20 ESV*

In the resurrection we have the presence of the future. The power by which God will finally destroy all suffering, evil, deformity, and death at the end of time has broken into history now and is available—partially but substantially—now. When we unite with the risen Christ by faith, that future power that is potent enough to remake the universe comes into us. - *Timothy Keller*

Optimism is a wish without warrant; Christian hope is a certainty, guaranteed by God himself. Optimism reflects ignorance as to whether good things will ever actually come. Christian hope expresses knowledge that every day of his life, and every moment beyond it, the believer can say with truth, on the basis of God's own commitment, that the best is yet to come - *J.I. Packer*

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WELLING IN  
**CHRIST**

9:00AM  
11:00AM  
Sunday Service Times

**McKernan**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

## THIS WEEK (Resurrection Sunday)

**MONDAY, EASTER MONDAY** (Office Closed)

**TUESDAY, MORNING BIBLE STUDY**, 10am (Hospitality)

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**, 9:03am (Hospitality)

**WEDNESDAY, ALPHA**, 6:30pm (Supper); 7pm (Hospitality)

**THURSDAY, YOUNG ADULTS BOARD GAMES**, 7pm (Chapel)

**FRIDAY, DAYBREAK**, 9:30-11:30am (Multipurpose Room, downstairs)

Informal drop-in for parents with preschool children. For more info, email Pastor Jerilyn, [jerilyn@mckernanbaptist.ca/](mailto:jerilyn@mckernanbaptist.ca/).

### UPCOMING BAPTISM CLASSES

(First 4 Wednesdays in May)

Becoming a member of the local church is an important step in the life of a Christian. This class will provide you with important information about McKernan Baptist, our history, our core values, what we believe and the membership process.

Register online at, [mckernanbaptist.ca/baptism/](http://mckernanbaptist.ca/baptism/), or contact Pastor Terry for more information ([terry@mckernanbaptist.ca](mailto:terry@mckernanbaptist.ca)).

### MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK, Rasem & Naheda (Navigators)

Naheda and I have been ministering God with Navigators for 17 years, concentrating on evangelism and discipleship among the Muslims and the lost. Rasem and his son disciple young people and meet for Bible study, equipping them to boldly share the Gospel with youth.

God has raised up three brothers who felt called to join us to reach out to Muslims in the Edmonton area where we go to parks and the suburbs to share the Good News with them.

God blessed our ministry in Syria by encouraging our team despite very bad conditions and extreme poverty, equipping young leaders to bring the Living Word among University students who are from more than 7,000 different cities and Arab countries.

#### Prayer Requests

1. For our ministry team in Edmonton to listen very carefully to the Voice of the Holy Spirit and His guidance
2. That our God will meet all our needs for both our ministry in Canada and our short-term mission trips to empower the Navigators team, according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus

We are so grateful for MBC for your faithfulness in praying and generous support to our ministry. May God bless you all and your ministry in Edmonton and the world.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### APRIL 9, BACK TO BASICS, 7-9PM (Hospitality area)

Health is not a one-size-fits-all approach. Learn how to understand what your body's symptoms are telling you and how to reach your God-given potential. Email for more information, [twobearz@shaw.ca](mailto:twobearz@shaw.ca).

### APRIL 15, MEN'S MINISTRY, DEFINITELY NOT SALAD, 6:30pm (Hospitality area)

**APRIL 25, PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT**, EVP Centre (9455 45 Ave NW), 9-11am  
If you're 55+ you're invited to a round robin Pickleball tournament. Cost is \$15.75/player, payable at the door. Register online, [mckernanbaptist.ca/pickle/](http://mckernanbaptist.ca/pickle/) (deadline to register is April 18). Any questions, please email [jimschneider@shaw.ca/](mailto:jimschneider@shaw.ca).

### MAY 21-22, SPRING 2-DAY BIBLE CAMP, 8:15am - 3:30pm

Get hoppin' Down Under to "Outback Rock" for two days full of music, skits, rock solid Bible adventures, outback games, crafts, cooking, friendships, and more! K-Gr 5. Gr 6+ are welcome to volunteer. Register online, <https://vbspro.events/p/events/cbb845/>.

### JUNE 7-9, CHURCH WIDE CAMP

Registration is open! Visit [mckernanbaptist.ca/camp](http://mckernanbaptist.ca/camp) for info and registration.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF / OPERATIONS MANAGER (PT)

We are currently looking for a part-time Operations Manager to join our McKernan team. More details available online, [mckernanbaptist.ca/Employment/](http://mckernanbaptist.ca/Employment/).

### SOUND/TECH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

In order to meet the needs of our growing church community, we're needing to expand our sound & tech volunteer team. Do you have experience running a soundboard? Do you have a passion/ear for music or projection? Contact Pastor Dave ([Dave@mckernanbaptist.ca](mailto:Dave@mckernanbaptist.ca)) or Snow ([tech@mckernanbaptist.ca](mailto:tech@mckernanbaptist.ca)) for more info or to let them know if you're interested in volunteering.

### EVENING EVENT HOST

Details available online, [mckernanbaptist.ca/Employment/](http://mckernanbaptist.ca/Employment/).

### 2023 - 2024 General Operating Budget

<b>Budget 2023-2024 .. \$2,082,857</b>
Received as of March 28 ..... \$103,453
Amt needed each month ..... \$173,571
Balance to end of March ..... \$ (70,188)

### 2023 - 2024 Missions Budget

<b>Budget 2023-2024 .... \$244,304</b>
Received as of March 28.....\$173,033
Amt needed by March 31.....\$183,228
Balance to end of March ..... \$ (10,195)

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of our mission and ministry! In-person giving is available. You can deposit your gift in the offering plate or use the debit machine at the Welcome Centre. Online giving options are available at [mckernanbaptist.ca/giving](http://mckernanbaptist.ca/giving). You may also do e-transfers or pre-authorized debit from your bank.

## PRAYER ITEMS

- For the Kahila (Syrian refugees) family as we, as a church, continue the process of sponsoring this father and three children to Edmonton
- For the coats collected, that they would be a blessing
- As family and friends gather for Easter, pray that their conversations be honoring to God
- For our Missionary Of The Week, Raseem More and Naheda Naser (Navigators)

### MISSIONS MAGAZINE

Available at the Welcome Centre or the foyer Missions Map.

### LIBRARY NOTICE

Books are available for a 3-week period. Please return your overdue books.

### DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Receive daily devotionals from our pastors. Visit [mckernanbaptist.ca/blog](http://mckernanbaptist.ca/blog) to subscribe.

### NEW HERE?

Please stop by the Welcome Centre after the service to learn more about our church, receive a gift, and fill out a Connection Card so that we can help you get connected.

### CONNECT WITH US

**YOUTH** (Gr 7-12)

Instagram ..... [@mbcmoby](https://www.instagram.com/mbcmoby)

**YOUNG ADULTS** (Ages 18-29), Weekly

Instagram ..... [@mckernan.ya](https://www.instagram.com/mckernan.ya)

**The CROSSING** (~ Ages 30 - 40), Monthly

Facebook ..... [fb.com/groups/CrossingMBC](https://www.facebook.com/groups/CrossingMBC)

Newsletter... [thecrossing@mckernanbaptist.ca](mailto:thecrossing@mckernanbaptist.ca)

**McKERNAN GROUPS**

Talk to Pastor Mike for info on joining.

⇒ [mckernanbaptist.ca/groups](http://mckernanbaptist.ca/groups)

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