

December 22, 2024

Advent 2024 Series: He Will Be Called... Everlasting Father

Isaiah 9:2-7

Notes...

Used politically, the term "Father" expresses the power of a leader to give life, sustain life, and guide the life of a nation into the future. Christ and his Kingdom is the fulfillment of the divine title "Everlasting Father." Colossians 1:13-20

The foundational source of this Fatherhood and all its implications is based on the nature of God. God is love; 1 John 4:7-16.

Questions for Reflection

- How would you rate yourself as an "employee" of the Kingdom? Do people encounter the peace, justice, and righteousness of Christ in you?
- What is one or two words you would use to describe your experience of God as father? Ask the Holy Spirit if he would like to communicate another aspect of the fatherhood of God in your life.

Welcome! Let's get acquainted.

December 22, 2024

Name _____

Address _____

City/Prov _____

Postal Code _____

Phone _____

Email _____

- 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

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

Welcome to McKernan Baptist Church!

We are delighted that we have this opportunity to join together with you in heartfelt worship. We aspire to be people that fulfil our calling as sisters and brothers in the Family of God as we love God and love one another. We are not perfect here; but Jesus is. By His grace, we are His church. You are welcome here.

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TOGETHER

9:00AM
11:00AM
Sunday Service Times

McKernan
BAPTIST CHURCH

THIS WEEK

TODAY, 4th ADVENT SUNDAY: LOVE

TUESDAY, CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT SERVICE, 2pm; 4pm; 6pm
SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS EVE SCHEDULE

There is child care for Nursery to age-5 *for the 2pm service only*.
The Nursery will be open for parents with little ones for the 4pm and 6pm services *but there will be no supervision so please don't leave your child unattended*.

TUESDAY, TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY resumes Jan 7

WEDNESDAY, WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY resumes Jan 15

WEDNESDAY, YOUTH MIDWEEK PROGRAM resumes Jan 8

WEDNESDAY, ABOUND (Chapel), Jan 29-Feb 26

Join this 5-week study led by Michael Martens, on Dietrich Bonhoeffer's classic, "Life Together." Visit mckernanbaptist.ca/abound for details.

FRIDAY, DAYBREAK resumes Jan 10

FRIDAY, YA STUDY SPACE resumes Jan 10

FRIDAY, UKRAINIAN BIBLE STUDY, 7pm (Chapel)

Ukrainian worship service with English translation available. All are welcome.

MINISTRY PARTNER OF THE WEEK

HOPE Mission (Read more in our online [Outreach magazine](#), p14)

In 1929, Reverend Harold Edwardson established a soup kitchen in Edmonton's inner-city serving meals to hundreds of people struggling with unemployment and homelessness at the onset of the Great Depression. Today, Hope Mission has grown into a not-for-profit Christian social care agency caring for impoverished and homeless men, women and children in Alberta. Our desire is to provide compassionate care and hope to hurting, hungry, and homeless people. Some of the ways we do this (every day):

- Provide basic and emergency care to more than 800 people
- Serve roughly 1700 meals
- Shelter more than 600 people
- Faith-based addiction treatment programs
- Facilitates after-school recreation and hot meal programs
- Summer camps for inner-city children and youth
- Operates a year-round Youth Sports Centre
- 24/7 Rescue Van provides emergency care for people in need
- Counselors, chaplains, and volunteers visit people on the street, in prisons, hospitals
- Our Bargain Shoppe sells clothing, blankets, and workwear to help offset our programs and services

In all, our desire is to provide compassionate care and offer hope to hurting, hungry and homeless people in Edmonton.

DEC 29, SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE, 10am

UPCOMING EVENTS

JAN 5, 6:30pm (Hospitality)
NEW YEAR WORSHIP AND PRAYER NIGHT

JAN 8-29, 7pm (Boardroom)
BAPTISM CLASSES, 4 Wednesdays in January

JAN 9, 6pm (Hospitality)
BOARD GAMES NIGHT

JAN 10, 7pm (Downstairs)
YOUTH SMALL GROUP NIGHT

JAN 11, 10am, (Chapel)
WOMEN'S MINISTRY: ONE WORD FOR THE NEW YEAR

Is there one word that might guide your journey with God in the year ahead? Join us for a guided time of scripture reading, prayer, reflection, and vision casting for 2025. Let's lean in together to listen to the Holy Spirit and seek his wisdom for our lives. Light refreshments will be served. Please register online at, mckernanbaptist.ca/wm1word/.

JAN 12, PASTOR TERRY'S ORDINATION/CELEBRATION (Hospitality)
Join us for Pastor Terry's Ordination during the service with a celebration to follow after each service. And please stop by the table beside the Welcome Center to write or drop off cards of appreciation.

Visit mckernanbaptist.ca/giving for online giving options.

General Operating Budget 2024-2025	\$2,096,700
Budget to end of December	\$1,048,350
Received as of December 19	\$761,092
Needed by December 31	(\$287,258)

Missions Budget 2024-2025	\$249,500
Budget to end of December	\$124,750
Received as of December 19	\$98,200
Needed by December 31	(\$26,550)

Thank you for your continued generosity and support toward the ministry of McKernan Baptist Church. As we approach the end of the calendar year, we also reach the midpoint of our fiscal year. Please consider contributing to our goal of paying our ministry partners (Mission Budget) the full 50% commitment we have with them. Our next payment is December 31. We would also like to be positioned well for the upcoming ministries by reaching the 50% budget received by December 31.

PRAYER ITEMS

- For our Christmas Eve services, and the newcomers that will celebrate with us
- For people as they gather, and the different joys and challenges that brings
- For our Ministry Partner of the Week, HOPE Mission

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

SOUND/TECH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Contact Pastor Dave,
(Dave@mckernanbaptist.ca) or
Snow (tech@mckernanbaptist.ca)

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](#)

YOUNG ADULTS (Ages 18-29)

Instagram [@mckernan.ya](#)

McKERNAN GROUPS

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