



GEMS is looking for some new helpers for the upcoming year! Please let Amanda DeBoer know if you're interested in helping out with this ministry or if you have any questions! Thanks!

Taber Recovery Group: The opposite of addiction is connection! Men, stop the cycle of shame and self-hatred. Come out of the darkness and be fully known in the light! Once a month we meet confidentially, watch a short video and discuss how we can live free from pornography and sexual addiction with God's strength alongside community support. Can meet one on one or just chat by email as well, contact taberrecovery@gmail.com.

Life Chain: TAKE A STAND FOR LIFE IN Taber by participating in this year's Life Chain on October 1, 2023 from 2 -3pm. Taber Pro-Life is asking you to join this prayerful and peaceful gathering. We ask you to stand with over a million pro-lifers throughout Canada and the USA. Bring your whole family! Signs will be provided and can be picked up at one of the 4 truck stations marked by balloons on either side of 50th street by the Civic Centre.

Please arrive by 1:45pm to get your signs so we are on the sidewalk by 2pm For information call Marian Tamminga 403-382-8793 or Janny DeVlieger 403-634-1214

Do you love to sing? The Lethbridge Christian Women's Choir invite you to join them Monday nights starting September 11, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 1818 - 5 Avenue S. Lethbridge. Practice goes to 9 p.m. All ladies young and old please join us. For more information call Karen at (403)315-0419



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"It is the Purpose of the Taber CRC: to learn about God's love in Jesus Christ, to celebrate this love and to communicate this love to all people."

September 17, 2023

Sunday Worship: This morning as we continue to look at the series, "From Soil to Harvest" we will be looking at cultivating the soil and what that means in our lives. We also have the privilege of witnessing the Public Profession of faith of Frank Dyck, Stephanie Hamilton and Jayda Kooiker. Such a privilege to witness God's goodness in the life of these people.

Next Sunday: We have the special privilege of witnessing the Profession of faith of Joey Tams and the baptism of Joey and Rachelle's son William Hendrik Tams. We will be having a guest minister, Rev. Gary Roosma from the Seafarers ministry in Vancouver preaching during the service. In the evening, we will have a special time of meeting with Rev. Roosma as he will share more in depth of the ministry to the seafarers.

We Begin Our Worship

Call to Worship
*Opening Song –
"Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"
(LUYH 526)
God's Greeting
*Songs of Praise –
"Goodness of God";
"This Is Our God"

We Celebrate the Goodness of God

Profession of Faith
Sung Declaration of Faith:
"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"
Children's Blessing
Congregational Prayer

We Listen to God's Word

*Song of Preparation –
"When Peace Like a River"
(LUYH 451 G 489)
Scripture – Luke 13:1-9
Sermon:
From Soil to Harvest: Cultivating
Prayer
Song of Response:
"Amazing Grace" (LUYH 691 G 462)

We Depart to Serve

Offering -
Benediction
Doxology –
"Behold Our God"

Church Family

We continue to pray for those in our senior homes or who are shut in and unable to worship with us weekly:

Hennie Bouwman, Jenny Mazareeuw, Jenny Stolk, Ali Huizing,
Corry VanderWekken, Rika Zuidhof and Rev. Jake Corvers

We continue to ask for your prayers for
Jolanda Molenaar, George Vandergaast and Gerlinda Bonthuis

We extend our Christian sympathies to Dick DeHeer and his family as his brother passed away this week in Lethbridge.

Please be in prayer for George Wolgen as he was admitted to the Lethbridge hospital this past week with a high heart rate. At the time of printing George was waiting to go to Calgary for an angiogram. Please pray for his recovery.

On Wednesday evening we invite you to a special time of prayer for Gerlinda Bonthuis. At 8pm on Wednesday we are asking the congregation to be in prayer for Gerlinda as she continues to live in debilitating pain. If you would like to join physically at the Bonthuis home, please let Pastor Brian know, otherwise we ask you to pray at home for Gerlinda at 8pm.

Worship Committee: If you have ever had a desire to join one of the worship teams, but were not exactly sure how to join one, please speak to a member of the worship committee as we would love to have you join a team. If there are any kids who would like to join during the time of "Kidslead" also talk to one of the worship committee members: Marilyn Tams, Amanda DeBoer, Annalise Ypma, Marilyn Visser, Scott Wojtowicz or Pastor Brian.

Youth Group ministry, LIFT: For grades 7 - 12.

September 17th, 12pm at MD Park Group Use area A - Wiener roast, games, and trail biking. We kindly ask parents to attend as we will be reviewing the plan for the upcoming year.

The Village – Volunteers Needed

The Village is looking for volunteers for childcare on Friday Mornings! The Village will run about twice a month and we need childcare from 9:20-11am. We will have activities for the kids prepared! Please let Kristen Tams know if you are able to help full to part time.

Church Calendar	
Sept 17	11:15am – Catechism 5:00pm – Intergenerational Event 12:00pm – LIFT at the MD Park
Sept 21	8:00pm – Ladies Bible Study
Sept 28	8:00pm – Ladies Bible Study
Sept 29	9:30am – The Village

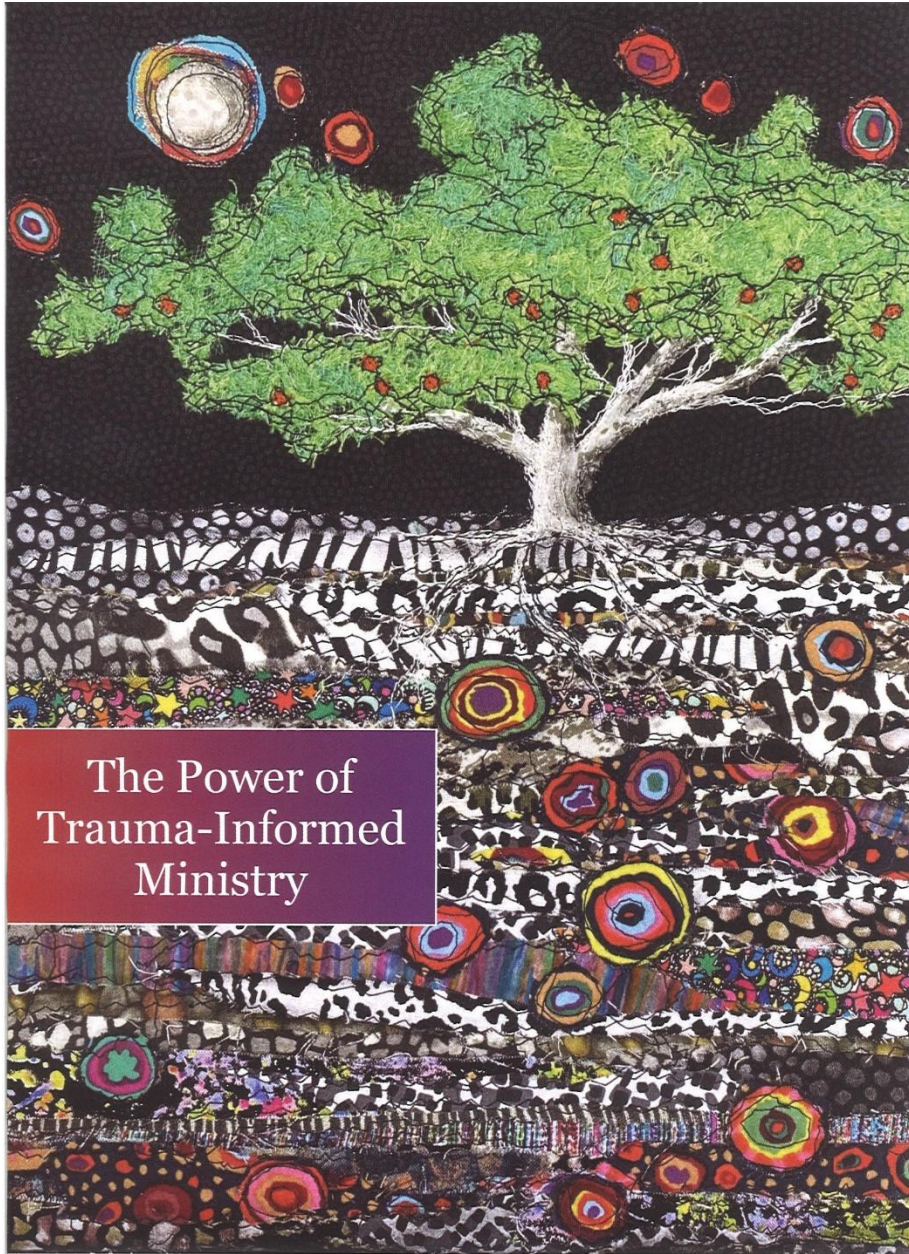
<i>Happy Birthday</i>	
Sept 17	Gerda Woudwijk Terry Stolk Lyndsay Smith
Sept 18	Jolanda Molenaar
Sept 21	Dennis Kempe Joey Tams
Sept 23	Joshua Pastink Becca Van Haarst Margret VanDyk
Sept 24	Joshua Langeweg

Tonight, Sunday, September 17th at 5pm.
Join us for the first of this year's intergenerational events:
God Lives With Us
We will also enjoy a time of fellowship over a potluck supper.

We are excited to announce that we would like to begin planning a serve trip for the week of February 18, 2024. Before any of the serious planning begins, we would like to gauge interest from our congregation. This trip will be open to all who wish to attend.

August Offerings: Sept 17 – Abuse Awareness Sept 24 – Sea Farers Ministry	Please Note: To donate on line please send e-transfers to: tabercrcdeacons@gmail.com
Abuse Awareness: Please take time to read the bulletin insert.	

	September 17 Willing Helpers	September 24 Willing Helpers
Serving Elder	Scott Wojtowicz	Nick Vangeest
Pianist	Annalise Ypma	Miriam Bekkering
Worship Team	WT5	WT4
Sound	Serge Langeweg	Dave Moedt
Media Team	Jan Bennen	Jeff Smith
Nursery	Darcie Tams, Britney Lievaart, Lauren Visser, Madison Smith	Amanda Vandyk, Terry Stolk, Brady Deboer, Emmalee Deweerd
Greeters	Lucas and Lindsey Bennen Youth (Katelyn, Chloe, Irena)	Ard and Gerlinda Bonthuis Ken and Ramona Braun
Coffee Servers	Kris and Jody DeWeerd Gerard and Nelly Du Puis	James and Jodi Ebrey Steve and Willeke Glas



The Power of Trauma-Informed Ministry

crcna.org/SafeChurch



We want our churches and ministry places to be physically, emotionally, and spiritually safe places because feeling safe and being safe is imperative for those that have experienced trauma.

Being trauma informed means utilizing a framework to support policies, practices, and procedures that adequately meet the needs for the vast amount of people that have experienced trauma.

Let's *use our power to become trauma-informed* by using the four following R's*:

1. **Realizing** the frequency and pervasiveness of trauma.
2. **Recognizing** the signs and symptoms associated with trauma.
3. **Responding** by integrating knowledge into policy, practices, and procedures.
4. **Resisting Re-Traumatization**, let's not harm them or their families again.

*Carry each other's burdens, and in this way,
you will fulfill the law of Christ.*

Galatians 6:2

* Dr. Tara Boer's article *Becoming a Trauma-Informed Church* (tinyurl.com/mp56prvv) refers congregations to SAMHSA's (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration) identification of the four "R's" of what it means to be trauma informed.

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