

MEADOWLANDS BAPTIST CHURCH October 8, 2023 | 9:30am or 11am

Nursery is available for children age 0-3.

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP PSALM 100

HYMNS

* "O GIVE THANKS"

* "YOU ARE ALWAYS GOOD"

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

MARK 14:1-26

HYMN

104 "COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING"

SCRIPTURE READING

MARK 14:32-65

HYMN

272 "THE POWER OF THE CROSS"

SCRIPTURE READING

MARK 15:1-47

HYMN

296 "HALLELUJAH, WHAT A SAVIOR!"

THE LORD'S SUPPER

SCRIPTURE READING

MARK 16:1-20

CHOIR

"COME UNTO JESUS"

MESSAGE

"THANKING GOD FOR HIS WORK" NEHEMIAH 2:18 PASTOR KEVIN WILLIAMS

HYMNS

201 "THERE IS A REDEEMER" 86 "GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS"

BENEDICTION

*words available on screen only





Giving Thanks for God's Provision

"Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen." (Ephesians 3:20–21)

Stop and think about what the Lord has given you. Do you have food, clothing, and shelter? Maybe much more? And even more valuable than these are the people God has placed in your life—family and friends who love you. Of course, the greatest of all blessings is the provision of salvation through Jesus. God has "blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places" (Eph 1:3).

The Lord has also abundantly provided for Meadowlands Baptist Church both materially and spiritually. The facilities and property are gifts from God in a developing community in Edmonton. The building we worship in each Sunday was completed in 2011 as the Lord enabled His people to sacrificially give their labour and money. Over the years, the congregation has grown to utilize the entire facility as well as the 250 students of Meadows Christian Academy. In 2020 God graciously supplied the funds to pay off the mortgage, and in 2021 He provided two additional acres of land. Of that \$1.8 million purchase, there is a remaining balance of just \$387,000. And our low 3% interest rate is locked-in for three more years.

We are grateful to God for all He has given! We don't need these possessions, but the Lord is using this stewardship to multiply and edify His church. Every room in this facility is used weekly to proclaim God's truth. And as the saints are equipped for the work of ministry (Eph 4:12), our community is being impacted by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. That is the goal in all of this!

This Thanksgiving Sunday, you have an opportunity to contribute sacrificially toward the property that God has provided and is using for His glory. If the Lord has used this ministry to influence your life, prayerfully consider how you can express your gratitude to Him with a special gift. All donations marked "Mortgage" will go directly to the principal of the remaining debt. You can give toward this in the usual way by e-transfer or offering envelope. And as you give, thank God for how He has richly supplied for all your needs (Phil 4:19).