

CONNECTING WITH CALVARY CHURCH

August 2026 | Embracing Opportunity

Updates on life at Calvary Church
in Williams Lake, B.C.

Weekly Events:

NEW TIME! - Sunday Morning Worship - 9am - All are welcome!

Join us Sunday mornings for our weekly worship service, in person or online. Pre-service prayer starts at 8:20am.

Awaken Kid's Ministry - During our Sunday service

All children ages 2 - Grade 5 are invited downstairs to worship, learn & have fun together!

PARENTS: Please make sure to register your kids at the kiosk in the lobby before sending them downstairs!

Monday Night Bible Study - 7pm - church basement

On pause for the rest of summer - watch for details about start up in the fall.

"Shield" Youth Ministry - Tues 6:30-8:45pm - church basement

For more information & to get a copy of the youth summer calendar, contact Pastor Brad at the church or check out our website.

Young Adults - 6pm every 2nd Wed - offsite

Young Adults is on pause for the summer but we encourage our YA's to connect throughout the summer! Watch for our Sept start date.

Weekly Prayer Night - Wed 6:30pm - church basement

Our prayer group meets in the basement. Everyone welcome.

Discipleship Class - Wed 3-4pm or 7-8pm - basement

Discipleship classes are currently on pause. Watch for details to come.

Club 56 (Pre-teens) - 6-7pm 2nd & 4th Thurs of the month
Currently on pause for the summer. Watch for fall details coming later in the summer!

Pre-teens in grades 5 & 6 are welcome to come out for fun, fellowship & learning about Jesus!

Opportunity Arises - Thoughts from Pastor Monte

In a few short months, our church is going to take a major step of faith. After months of prayer, consulting with ministries, and looking at the opportunities and challenges facing our community, our board decided to launch a second service starting this October. I still remember the exact wording the board used: "To not pursue launching a second service would put us in disobedience with God." Exciting times lie ahead here at Calvary. Along with those times will come amazing opportunities for us, as a church body, to impact Williams Lake with the gospel. Last year was a banner year for serving our community. Together, we saw thousands of dollars donated to the Good Food Box program, 80 students fed every Wednesday through our lunch program, a monthly dinner feeding dozens of neighbors living near our church, support for graduates by participating in the dry grad, a hockey team sponsorship open doors with players, parents, and coaches. As we follow God's heart for those without the gospel, more opportunities will arise. We are just beginning August, and while October seems far off, what we plan and prioritize today shapes tomorrow. As your pastor, I encourage you to discuss as a family: what opportunities will you embrace this upcoming season to reach Williams Lake and serve at Calvary? Will you:

- Join a midweek program or serve during Sunday services?
- Provide a foundation of prayer at our prayer meetings?
- Lead a home group to build connection and provide discipleship?
- Serve as part of the second service plant team?

Maybe you see a different opportunity. There is nothing more faith-building than serving others according to the will of God. He has opened the doors; now it is our turn to step through them and see our city transformed. In Matthew 9, Jesus said, "The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest." I am not only praying for workers—I am asking God to send me. Will you join me?

Things to Ponder

"One must maintain a little bit of summer, even in the middle of winter."

– Henry David Thoreau

"Live in the sunshine. Swim in the sea. Drink in the wild air."

– Ralph Waldo Emerson

"This morning, the sun endures past dawn. I realise that it is August: the summer's last stand."

– Sara Baume

"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty."

– Winston S. Churchill

"Most people miss opportunity because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work."

- Thomas A. Edison

"Live wisely among those who are not believers, and make the most of every opportunity."

- Colossians 4:5

"Whatever you do, do well. For when you go to the grave, there will be no work or planning or knowledge or wisdom."

- Ecclesiastes 9:10

"Do not withhold good from those who deserve it when it's in your power to help them. If you can help your neighbor now, don't say, 'come back tomorrow, and then I'll help you'."

- Proverbs 3:27-28

"Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone-especially to those in the family of faith."

- Galatians 6:10



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News & Notes

Community Dinner

Community Dinner is on pause for summer but will resume in September. See you on **Wed, Sept 2nd 5:15pm!**

BC Day

The church will be closed on **Mon, Aug 3rd** for BC Day. Have a safe and enjoyable long weekend!

VBS/Kids Day Camp

There is still time to register for Kids Day Camp, running here at Calvary Church **Aug 10-14th from 9am-12pm.** Kids ages kindergarten to grade 5 can come out for fun, games, songs, stories, crafts & more! Check out our website for more info & to register.

Ice Cream "Sunday"

Life is short - eat dessert first! Stick around after the morning worship service on **Aug 16th** for some ice cream before heading home for lunch!

Fundraiser Garage Sale & BBQ

Sat, August 22nd from 8:30-2pm - garage sale and BBQ in the parking lot. Proceeds from table sales & BBQ (by donation) go to support our missionaries. Sign up for a table or to help out or contact Terry Hathaway or Vickie Kornelsen for more info. Last day to sign up is Mon, Aug 17th. See the website for more information.

SAVE THE DATE! - Calvary Church 75th Anniversary

The 75th anniversary of Calvary Church is coming closer! **Oct 9-11th**, we are hosting different events here at the church to commemorate the occasion. Check out our website for more info & to register.

AUGUST CONTEST-WHAT LAKE AM I?: Two of the pictures on this page have a "?" beside them. Guess the lake on the FB post or in the lobby - these are local lakes to the Cariboo! All correct guesses will go into a draw for a coffee card of your choice!

LATEST UPDATES

CALVARY CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

Up to May 31, 2026

General Fund	Actual	Budget
Income:	\$166,187	\$149,172
Expense:	\$148,125	\$156,963
Missions Fund	Actual	Budget
Income:	\$10,000	\$6,000
Expense:	\$6,000	\$6,000

Ways to Give

e-transfer: giving@calvarychurchwl.com

in person: debit, cash, cheque