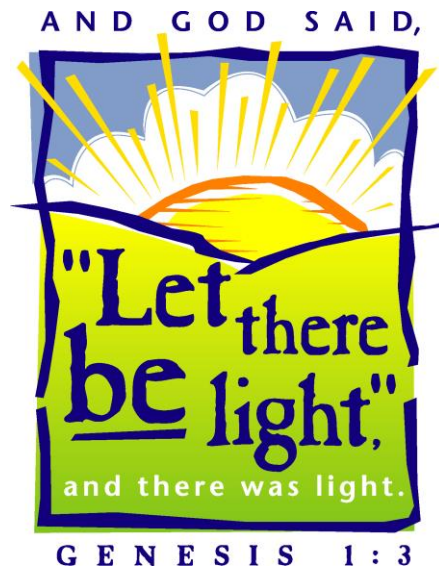


## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

### Genesis 1:1-5 (NIV)

#### The Beginning

- 1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.
- 2 Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.
- 3 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.
- 4 God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness.
- 5 God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning - the first day.



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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023**

Announcements	Welcome
Songs of Praise	How Great Is Our God Here I Am To Worship
Scripture Reading	Genesis 1:1-5 (Carol Hardie)
Tithes and Offerings	
Song of Praise	Everlasting God
KIDZ Church	Children dismissed
Pastoral Prayer	Janet Fletcher
Message	"Introduction to Genesis".
Communion Hymn	Jesus Messiah
Communion	
Benevolent Offering	
Closing Praise	Our God Reigns
Benediction	



**Praise Items:**

\*Praise God for the new members joining our church this morning! Please pray they will continue to grow and mature in their faith as they use their spiritual gifts, talents, and abilities to serve Jesus and our church.

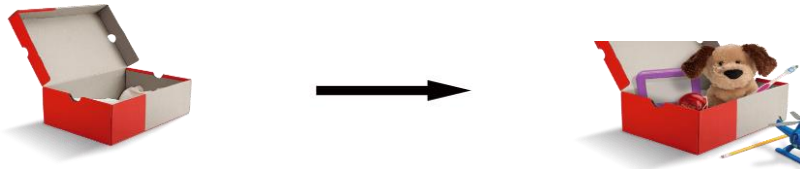
**Prayer Items:**

- \* Please pray for all our students returning to elementary and high schools and university they will adjust well to new schools, new teachers, new subjects, make new friends and do well with their studies this school year. Also pray for the teachers as they meet new students for wisdom, understanding, strength, perseverance, and safety, and they will make school an interesting and good experience for all the students in their classes.
- \* Please pray all the forest fires raging in BC and NWT will be brought under control, for safety for all the firefighters, and for comfort and God's peace for the people who have been evacuated or lost their homes, businesses, and properties and that our God will supply all their emotional, physical, and spiritual needs.
- \* Please pray for the residents of Florida recently impacted by a powerful hurricane as they begin the process of rebuilding their communities and for the relief agencies helping them.
- \* Please be in prayer for our Search Committee members for spiritual wisdom and discernment as they continue the process of seeking an Associate Pastor of Worship and Youth Ministries.
- \* Please pray God's blessing on our new sister church, Joshua Ministries in Chatham, Ontario, and for their outreach ministries to a nearby school and retirement home.

**Send praise and prayer requests to**  
**[office\[at\]grimsbybaptist.org](mailto:office[at]grimsbybaptist.org)**

Copies of the new directory are available for you to pick up at the Welcome Desk.

## **SAMARITAN'S PURSE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES**



### **IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!**

Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoeboxes provide you with an opportunity to bring happiness to deprived children throughout the world but most importantly they are a way to introduce children and families to God's greatest gift, our Lord Jesus Christ. Get a head start on filling your shoeboxes with school supplies that are currently on sale! Great deals are to be had! Shoeboxes will soon be available at our church for you to pick up and fill.



### **GRIMSBY BENEVOLENT FUND BACK-TO-SCHOOL PROGRAM**

Once again GBF is running their Back-To-School Program to help children from families in financial need with back-to-school necessities. 120 children in our community benefitted from this program in 2022. Backpacks, stationary supplies, running shoes, reusable water bottles, lunch containers and school snacks are needed. Also, GBF is hoping to raise \$15,000 in donations that would be used to support school field trips, photos, uniforms, graduation fees etc. Your donations can be brought to the church (a box will be placed in the front foyer) or to GBF. Monetary donations can be made online at [www.gbfgirmsby.com](http://www.gbfgirmsby.com) Thanks for your generosity and support!

### **GRIMSBY LIFE CENTRE**

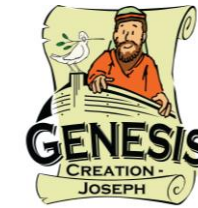
Copies of the 2023 Summer-Fall GLC Newsletter are available for you to pick up on the table by the church family mailbox. Catch up on what is happening at GLC and the needs of this ministry that we are so blessed to have in Grimsby!

## **CHURCH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CHURCH FAMILY BBQ LUNCHEON NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>**



Join us following our worship service on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> for our monthly church family luncheon. This month we will be having corn-on-the-cob with hamburgers, hotdogs, salads, and desserts. Yum! Yum! Please sign the sheet on the Welcome Desk if you plan to attend. Everyone is welcome to enjoy a delicious lunch and a wonderful time of fellowship. Invite some friends along!



### **NEW WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

The Wednesday evening Bible study on the Old Testament book of Genesis starts this Wednesday night! "Genesis teaches us who God is, who we are, how things went wrong, and the plan God has put into place to return the earth to the way it was meant to be. The storyline of Genesis foreshadows and connects to the Good News of Jesus Christ, the long-awaited 'seed of the woman'."

If interested, please sign the sheet on the Welcome Desk today to indicate your attendance at the study. Study guidebooks are \$15 and are now available at the church office. It is a study you will not want to miss!

