



Newsletter

# The Road Church

*experience God everywhere*

June 1, 2017

## **This Sunday...**

...We will be wondering at what it means to live within Pentecost. It's an old, familiar but epic and mysterious story. It has the potential to live right inside our deep longings and amongst the stuff of our everyday lives. Take a few minutes and read the story in [Acts 2](#) this weekend and see what questions come up for you.

## **New Church Name Info**

We are excited to have a new name for the church that was announced last Sunday – The Road Church. The new name is based on the input from the congregation earlier this year of key words and phrases that reflect our community, as well as the survey on short-listed possible names. The Leadership Team along with Brandon and Nicole reached consensus on The Road Church as our new name as we felt it best reflected who we are as community and our vision (tag line) of Experiencing God Everywhere.

As [the story of the Emmaus Road in Luke](#) demonstrates there are many times in our own journeys that we are met by Jesus without even realizing he is with us – he's always with us on the road even when we don't know it! A new name also reflects that we are now one church community – we no longer need to use the awkward mashed up name. As the Ephesians verse from our first anniversary states - we '[were all called to travel on the same road and in the same direction, so stay together both outwardly and inwardly](#)'.

"The Road Church: Experience God Everywhere" as our new name is a recognition of our journey forward together as a church community.

We are planning to develop a new logo as soon as possible and we are going to start using the new name in our material, including in a new future website (we already have a domain name secured!). If you have any questions or comments about our new name or the future logo, please get in touch with either Brandon Harris, Nicole Wilson or Jeff Loomis.

### **New Road Leadership Team Members Needed**

We are seeking 3 members of the community to join the volunteer Leadership Team (ie church council). Qualifications and experience are sought in the areas of church governance, human resources, strategy or planning and finances. A candidate does not need to possess all the above qualifications to be considered. Prior volunteer board or church council experience are assets, but not required. Most importantly, any candidate(s) should have a commitment to the vision and mission of NHH and a passion to make a difference in our community. To nominate someone from our community, please contact Pastor Heather Cowie [heather@newhopechurch.ca](mailto:heather@newhopechurch.ca). Deadline for nominations is **June 4th**.

### **Commuter Challenge**

NHH is encouraging members to participate in the National Commuter Challenge **June 4-10**. It's a fun event where you get to change the way you commute to church.

Register all your commutes to show that NHH cares for Creation. Participation is a fun way to care for Creation, improve your health, reduce stress and pollution, as well as to save time and money!

Follow these 3 easy steps to register:

1. Go to the [Commuter Challenge website](#)
2. Select "Alberta", "Calgary"
3. Provide your contact info and register with "New Hope Hillside"

Encourage your friends and family to register in this great event to join over 35,000 participants and 2,000 organizations that participate every year!

### **The Studion School for Spiritual Direction**

*Spiritual formation, care of the soul, prayer, discernment, the spiritual disciplines, and the vast territory of the soul.* If any of this sounds attractive to you, you may want to check out The Studion School for Spiritual Direction. Excellent training for elders and pastoral care givers. The program is Co-directed by Heather Cowie and Rev. Ron Klok. Informational evening at The Road Church, 4039 Brentwood Rd, NW, Calgary, **7:30pm, June 15th**. More info? Contact Heather at [heather@newhopechurch.ca](mailto:heather@newhopechurch.ca)

### **Happenings in Our Community at Large**

#### ***Every Job a Parable Book News!***

On **Saturday, June 17th** Pastor John Van Sloten will be signing copies of his new book [\*Every Job a Parable\*](#) at the Signal Hill Indigo/Chapters from **11 am-4 pm**. Feel free to drop by and save him from having to sit at a desolate author table with no one to make eye contact with.

<b>Nursery</b>	Kerri B, Hannah L, & Annie V	<b>Welcome Team</b>	2 - Wayne S & Annie V
<b>KiDZ PS/K</b>	Amber & Acadia R	<b>Set Up Team</b>	2 - Hennie & Engela V, Wilma C
<b>KiDZ Grades 1-3</b>	Diana S	<b>Info Table</b>	Sheri B

<b>KiDZ Grades 4-6</b>	Kimberly E	<b>Tech Team</b>	2 - Jaimie & Jonah B, Keith, & Zaak R
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