



Newsletter

The Road Church

experience God everywhere

June 8, 2017

This Sunday:

It's our **2nd Annual Car Show & Tailgate Party!** Come for the car themed sermon and stay for the potluck! Bring along something to put on the barbie - there will be BBQs available! Bring your meat and buns, if needed, but slow cooker dishes will still be welcome! Other food items we will need: salads, chips and munchies. As usual, there will be vegetable and fruit trays available. Gluten free dishes are welcome and should be labelled as such. Remember to pack your plates and utensils!

New Church Name Info

We are excited to have a new name – 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.

Commuter Challenge

The Road Church 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 we care for Creation. Participation his 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

Stampede Breakfast

The Stampede Breakfast will be on **July 16th** and we need volunteers! Please contact Melonie M. mel.dean@telus.net to see how you can help.

16th Annual Church Campout

Mark your calendars as the annual church campout will be on the Labour Day long weekend, **September 1st-4th**. There are brochures at the info table with details on accommodations, meals, and prices. Register with Melonie M. mel.dean@telus.net soon to reserve your spot!

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.

The Road Church will also have copies of the book available for purchase soon!

Nursery	Erin H, Jayme W & Samantha V	Welcome Team	3 - Cindy L & Rachel P
KiDZ PS/K	Amber R & Lonnie H	Set Up Team	3 - Jae C, Vance L, Lisa V, Wong family

KiDZ Grades 1-3	Cory B & Tracey H	Info Table	Blaise R
KiDZ Grades 4-6	Julie C	Tech Team	3 - Keith & Lukas E, Randy S