

# **GEMS**SUNDAY

And God is able to bless you abundantly.

you abundantly.

so that in all things at all times.

at all that you need.

having all that you need.

you will abound you work.

in every good work.



### Sunday Morning Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Child care provided for infants and toddlers during the morning worship service.

**Junior Sunday School** for children born in 2013, 2014, 2015 Dismissed during the worship service.

# Sunday School & Catechism

for grades 1 to 12 after the worship service.

# Sunday Afternoon Bible Study 7 pm

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Unless otherwise noted, our songs are projected from Lift Up Your Hearts. If you can't see the projected songs, this hymn book is available at the back of the church.

## Welcome

A warm welcome is extended to our visitors and church family. We are thankful that you have joined us for worship today. May God richly bless you, as we worship together.

Please join us for refreshments in the fellowship hall after the service.

#### Song and Verse of the month

- "O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer"
For April we are learning this modern hymn by Sovereign Grace Music. It's a hymn of praise glorifying God for who He is and the salvation He freely gives through Jesus' death and resurrection. Singing this song should increase our trust and hope in Him. https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\_continue=I&v=TpELMk4-3n8

#### - Psalm 71:19

In verse I of the hymn "O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer" we sing the words My God like you there is no other. The heart of this hymn is captured in this verse and so may this hymn and Scripture grab our hearts as well.

# Sunday 7PM TONIGHT I Peter Bible Study

#### Gathering Songs - Lead by GEMS

"Cornerstone" 755 Speak O Lord

#### God Calls us to Worship Him

\*Call to Worship

\*Moment of Personal Prayer followed by MJN 116 "Open Our Eyes"

\*God's Greeting

\*Songs of Praise

559 "Ten Thousand Reasons"

598 "You are Holy"

#### We Worship with the GEMS

GEMS Opening Exercises GEMS Theme Litany GEMS Review of Year

"Build Your Kingdom Here"

#### We Response with Thanksgiving and Prayer

Offerings:a. Local & Denominational Ministries

b. GEMS Girls Club

Offertory Prayer

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Preparation:

762 "Ancient Words"

#### God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture: Psalm 112

Focus: 2 Corinthians 9:8-9

Message: Be a Blessing Prayer of Application

#### God Sends Us into the World with His Blessing

\*Song of Response:

363 "Blessed Assurance: Jesus Is Mine"

\*God's Call to the Church:

Contemporary Testimony Art. 41, 43, 48

\*God's Parting Blessing

\*Doxology:

946 "Go My Children With My Blessing"

(\*indicates please stand if able)

#### Prayer items in our church:

- May the Lord comfort Jean van Veen's family, Pete & Cathy, Andrew & Betty-Ann, Terry & Donna, and Amy & Eufemio Ricardo, as she went to be with her Lord on Tuesday.
- We give thanks Mary Vreman is home from the hospital recuperating from hip surgery. Thanks to the Lord for medical care.
- Peter Venema's family with the sudden death of his niece, Jessica Alguire of Newingon.
- We ask for the God's continued care and healing for those dealing with various illness and challenges.
- the Christians in Sri Lanka who are in immense grief due to the recent terrorist act last weekend
- We ask for the Holy Spirit to guide the congregation in the nomination of office bearers and calling of Pastor Gregg Lawson as lead pastor.
- Students as they finish exams and some return home to work

#### In our Classis we pray for:

Ministry to Seafearers, Montreal, Chaplain Michelle DePooter

#### In South Dundas we pray for:

South Dundas Lutheran Community Church Rev. Moses Prashad

**Prayer Ministry:** Prayer requests for the congregational prayer can be passed on to the pastor through phone call, email or text, as well as coming to the Council room just before the service. A prayer team continues to meet in the prayer room before the service.

#### **Update from Pastor Bernie**

This week I will be getting ready to attend Council of Delegate meeting in Grimsby from Wednesday to Friday. Please keep the delegates in your prayer regarding travel and preparing budgets and other material for June meeting of Synod.

**Pastor Joe will lead** the May 5 worship service. Which is our annual Day of Prayer Service.



#### This Week -April

28 Jordon Geertsema

29 Claire Haavema **Emily Tibben** 

#### May

- 2 Tony Vanderveen
- Erin De Jong Rachel Oosterhof Paul Veerman

#### Next Week -

- 5 Pamela Dean
- 6 Neil Vandermeer
- 8 Elizabeth McInnis
- 9 Kurtis Byers Brooke Ponsen
- 10 Tammy Irven
- 11 Lindsey DeVries Byran Tibben



#### Offerings recieved last Sunday

\$ 4,938 Budaet Resonate Global Mission \$ 564 Community Food Share (Good Friday) \$ 755

#### Offering Schedule

April 28: **GEMS Girls Club** 

GEMS is an acronym for Girls Everywhere Meeting the **Savior.** Their vision is to see girls around the world actively and enthusiastically expressing love for God and others - girls equipped, motivated, and passionately engaged in living out their faiths. GEMS girls' clubs are offered in local churches and Christian organizations throughout the U.S. and Canada, and their mission is to bring girls everywhere into a living, dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ.

May 5: Operation Manna

World Renew Mav 12

Office of Social Justice May 19

# Disparches From the Front -

New Sunday Bible Study Series

Ever wondered what it'd be like to be a Christian in China. Thailand, or North Africa? During May and June we'll continue the theme of 1st Peter - Christ our living hope - by watching some videos on how Christians are doing in the difficult parts of the world. Time will be either 4:30 or 7pm, still to be determined. All are welcome, good conversations and refreshments are always included.

Your righteousness, God, reaches to the heavens, you who have done great things. Who is like you, God? Psalm 71:19

#### NOMINATIONS/AFFIRMATION

VOTES/CASTING LOTS: Council met again on Tuesday, April 16, and prayerfully considered the list of nominees to be presented to the congregation to fill the offices of deacon and elder in our church. Council thanks the congregation for their nominations and presents the following names to the congregation for a vote of affirmation: for elder—Andrew De Jong, Eric Don, Chris Johnson, John Menkhorst, Derrick Noort, Stuart Staal and Neil VanderMeer and for deacon---Andrew De Jong, Eric Don, John Menkhorst, Anjo Norg and Stuart Staal. Some have been nominated for both positions but will only serve in one position. Council deems these men to have the gifts to serve in this church and trusts that by the process of the affirmation vote and the casting of lots, the men of God's choosing will be selected.

On Sunday, May 5, after the worship service, the affirmation vote will be held. All confessing members are encouraged to vote and choose all those who they deem gifted for these positions. For those who are unable to attend proxy votes can be given or emailed to the clerk. From all those receiving affirmation from 50% or more of the votes from the congregation the lot will be cast. On Sunday, May 12, the lot will be cast and first 2 deacons will be chosen and then 3 elders will be chosen. We trust that our faithful God will bless our congregation through this process and will also bless those who are chosen to serve and those who are not chosen at this time.

The Search Committee recommended to Council, Pastor Gregg Lawson for consideration for a call from

Pastor Gregg Lawson for consideration for a call from the congregation of Williamsburg CRC. Council approved this recommendation. On May 5, the congregation will vote after the morning worship service whether to call Pastor Gregg Lawson as a minister of the Word and Sacrament in our congregation. Signed proxy votes will be accepted and if 75% of the votes are in favour, a call will be extended to him. In your mailboxes you will find a summary of the discussion which was held with him and his wife Monday, April 8. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call a member of the Search Committee or a member of council.

# Sermon Notes

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Join us July 15 – 19th from 9am – noon at Community CRC in Dixon's Corners, as we POWER UP. Learn how to Raise Your Game through science experiments, crafts, music, games and more!

All children who will have completed Grades JK – 6 at the end of June, are invited to join us!

To register go to: https://tinyurl.com/PowerupVBS or call 613-652-2400

(Adults and teens – If you don't want to be left out on this game changing event, you can register above to help as a volunteer! Helpers are needed for group leaders, station helpers and snack creators)



**CAMP ADONAl** Are you glad the snow is melting and thinking about summer? Registration is now open for Camp Adonai! Junior week starts **August 11 to 16** for campers who will be 9 years of age this year to 12 years old at a cost of just \$210.

Senior week starts **August 17 to 24** for campers aged 13 to 15 years old at a cost of \$275. After May 31st, if space is available, a late fee of \$40.00 will apply in addition to the registration fee. Lastly, in order to run camp, we require counsellors. Please visit our website at www.campadonai.ca for more information regarding camp, camper registration and/or counsellor application forms. Check out our poster located on the bulletin board by the kitchen and the camper registration forms.

LIBERTAS MALE CHOIR - HANDS ACROSS THE OCEAN 2019 TOUR - In concert together with

the Groot Mannenkoor Nederland forming a combined choir of 120 voices! Directed by Martin Mans and accompanied by Mark Brandwijk. Wednesday June 5 – Redeemer University College, Thursday June 6 – Port Hope United Church, Friday June 7 – St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, Saturday June 8 – The Cathedral Church of St. James, Toronto \*\*\*All concerts begin at 8:00PM\*\*\* Reserve your tickets today! (Also available at the door) www.libertasvoices.com 905.522.0001 info@libertasvoices.com

**GREAT WOLF LODGE, 2019...** It's that time of year again! A block of rooms has been reserved during the annual Fall PA days for our Christian schools. Discounted rates are available for the dates of Oct. 24, 25 & 26 2019. Room rates start at \$189.99/night. Our group booking code is: 1910CHRI\_001. To book your room go to: www.greatwolf.com/niagara or call:

1-866-949-9653 or 1-800-605-9653 Booking deadline is Sept. 24, so reserve early to avoid disappointment! For further information, please ONLY contact Tammy Veld rtveld96@gmail.com or call/text: 905.745.5609

#### From World Renew

**AOYC 2019 is coming soon! -** World Renew is excited to be part of this year's AOYC! High school students will have an opportunity to "reach out" and help address both local and global issues surrounding hunger. World Renew is asking for each student to bring \$10 to help feed Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh, and bring 10 non-perishable food items to donate to the Food Bank of Waterloo Region. Join us and help make a difference in lives of the hungry! For more info and to register, please go to: www.allontario.com/aoyc-2019

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday 7pm GEMS and Cadets

Tuesday 7:30pm Elders Mtg.

Wednesday 7pm Youth Group

Thursday 6:45pm TCS Spring Celebration of Learning

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Who am I? At Timothy Christian School, we are considering this question and are inviting you to our Spring Celebration of Learning. Come and consider with us how the God of all creation cares for each one of us. Doors open Thursday, May 2 beginning at 6:45pm and Friday, May 3 beginning at 10am. Come visit the classrooms, learn from our student experts, and join with us for a time of communal worship. Contact the school for more information: office@tcswilliamsburg.ca or 613-535-2687

Friday 10am TCS Spring Celebration of Learning

Friday 7:30pm Seaway Valley's Singers' Spring

**Concert - Iroquois United Church.** 

Friday 7-8pm bring yard sale items to the church

Saturday Williamsburg Yard Sale

MAY 4 CHURCH YARD SALE is this Saturday!! Please consider donating items - books, toys, clothes, furniture, tools, electronics, etc., to help the youth group fundraise for their youth convention and SERVE mission trip. If you are able to **bring the items to church Friday night, 7-8pm**, that would be most appreciated. Any questions - ask Pastor Joe

#### COMING EVENTS

Monday, May 6 @ 7:30pm TCS Spring Membership Meeting: Come out to Timothy Christian School for our spring membership meeting. During the meeting we will have a presentation from Andre Charlebois about our Extended French program as well as hear updates about the school. This meeting is a great time to celebrate what God is doing at TCS. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Ottawa Christian Counseling Service:** Dundas County Divisional office. Please call the Ottawa office at 729-8454 to contact Elizabeth. All new clients must dial O for general inquiries.

Elder Hall Monitor	<b>April 28</b> Andrew van Veen Harold De Jong	<b>May 5</b> Jack Menkhorst Jason Wagensveld	<b>May 12</b> Harold Douma Dan Schuler	<b>May 19</b> Ype VanderVeen John Guthrie		
Deacons	Mike Dewar	Mark Geertsema	Peter Venema	Andrew Harbers		
Projector	Chris J.	Tony V.	Josh G.	John M.		
Usher Front Door	Neil V. Bridget D.	Tim V. Jason S.	Jack V. Margo V.	Jo-Ann H. Devin G.		
Musician Song Leader	Pam GEMS	Tanya Shannon/Siena	Margo Mike	Tanya Shirley		
Nursery Cuddlers		Lindsey D. Karen M.	Tanya G. Stacey D.	Amy D. Crystal B.		
Nursery Adventurers		John D. Liz M. Megan D.	Jeff T. Nancy D. Devin G.	Dan S. Laura Lee D. Shannon G.		
Jr. SS Teacher  - indicates - support of the per state of	Nicole David Emma *Amy Annika	Kristin Jason Sarah *Brent Shannon	Tracey Melanie Crystal *Koryn Siena	Bridget Sharon *Stacey Jordan		
SS Grades 1 Grades 2 Grades 3 Grades 4/5 Grades 6/7/8	Children and Worship	Lianne Jessica Marni Derrick Tanya	Lianne Jessica Marni Derrick Tanya	Children and Worship		
Coffee	Harold & Mary Josh & Sarah	Neil & Christine Derrick & Janet	Ed & Jolanda Theo & Ria	Tony & Jessica Koop & Katherine		
Woodland Villa: May 5 J.& J. Menkhorst, J.&K. Menkhorst, P. Venema May 19 T. & B. Van't Foort, L. & A. Dietrich, P. Venema						
Letter to the missionary this week - D & A Howland						

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