

Dear congregation,

Due to increasing government restrictions and in the interest of protecting everyone in our church and communities, the church will be closed to all visitors until further notice. This means that no one will be allowed to drop off or pick up anything in the building.

Pastor Gregg, Pastor Joe, the elders and deacons will remain available by phone and email. We will update you when we have more information.

Please stay home, stay safe, and keep our loved ones safe. We are in this together.

God bless, Pastor Gregg

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www.williamsburgcrc.org 12436 Cty. Rd. 18, Williamsburg, ON 613-535-2227 You are welcome to join our live-stream on facebook Sundays at 9:30am. Just click the "streaming live" link on the homepage of our website and request to join the group.

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If you don't have internet access, you can still join our Sunday morning service by telephone.

At 9:25am pick up your phone and dial 1-855-703-8985.

It is a toll free number, and won't cost anything. The automated greeting will ask for your meeting ID.

Enter 340-735-5548 on your phone keypad, followed by # (which is referred to as the pound key)

It will ask for your participant number:

Enter # again.

#### That's it.

Tanya Geertsema will be on the other end to greet you, and you can listen to the whole service on your phone.

When the service starts she will mute your line, so you don't have to worry if you need to sneeze or if your dog barks, you won't disrupt the others.

Looking forward to worshiping with you!

Pastor Gregg Lawson

Open

Call to worship

Greeting

**Announcements** 

## **Congregational Prayer**

Prayer announcements Prayer

## Children's Message

The Young Hero and the Horrible Giant

#### Sermon

Our God Is Bigger

John 12:12-16

Jesus Comes to Jerusalem as King 12 The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. 13 They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting,

"Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Blessed is the king of Israel!"

14 Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written:

15 "Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt."
16 At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him.

## **Exhortation for the Lords Supper**

Psalm 46

**Blessing** 

## **Announcement for Lord's Supper**

On Good Friday we will be joining together as a church family, as the people of God, to celebrate the sacrament of communion. This will be different that you are used to. We will not be together in person, but virtually. Each family is encouraged to prepare for this in two ways.

First, prepare yourself spiritually, examine yourself, is there any unconfessed sins in my life, is there any situation or any person that I need to forgive, to give to God.

The second way is to prepare physically, have some juice ready, have some bread ready. It does not have to be the juice we have in church; it can be anything, even wine, the bread can be anything, crackers if that's all you have. It also does not have to be in individual cups and pieces, share the cup as a family if you are comfortable.

The essential element is not how we do it, it is that we do it. So please be prepared.

# Good Friday At-Home Faith Formation Tip -

Take some time today to reflect on the events of Good Friday. Read the story, and then use questions like these as you wonder about it: What would it be like to be a friend of Jesus that day? How would you feel? What would you do? (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/Faith-Formation)

# **Youth Group**

We meet every Wednesday, 7:30pm on Zoom conference call. Hope everyone can join in to encourage one another during this time. Keep up the good work of reading through the Gospel of John!

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- 5 Britton Witteveen
- 7 Samuel Dean
- 8 Eileen Meldrum (Hoftyzer)Ralph NorgChristopher Westervelt
- 9 Richard Don
- 9 Theo Johnson
- 11 Bill De Jong (Tina)
  Justin Don
  Louise Mulder

#### **Next Week -**

- 13 Shailyn Bruining-Attia Gertie De Jong Kennedi Fetterly
- 13 Tessa Wagensveld
- 14 Michael Schell
- 15 Paul De Jong
- 16 Rebecca Adamyk Janet Douma Claude Helder Jack VanGilst
- 17 Mia Henderson William Mulder Sarah TerHorst Samuel TerHorst
- 18 Wiepo Bruining Andrew De Jong Andrew TerHorst

We rejoice with those celebrating birthdays over 70 years of age. Wishing you God's continued blessing as you celebrate. Congratulations to:

Ralph Norg - 80

Gertie De Jong - 83

Claude Helder - 75

Jack VanGilst - 71

Wiepo Bruning - 73 +

#### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Tithes and offerings during the Covid 19 pandemic: Our church continues to function even though we cannot gather together on Sunday mornings for worship. As a result, there are still bills to pay and commitments to meet. Some of the congregation may be having a difficult time financially while others still have their regular income. If you are still able to give to God's ongoing work in and through our church, four different options are now or soon will be available to you:

1.PAR monthly giving: PAR is managed by the CRCNA and is a means of direct monthly transfer from your bank account to our church's bank account. All funds received go toward the annual budget of the church and/or the benevolent fund. You must specify which fund your donation is for. There is no fee for this service. You can access the application form at the church website or ask for one. The application is given to R. Van Gilst who sends it to the CRCNA office. The application must be received at the denominational office by the 10th of the month and the withdrawal happens on the 20th.

2.Cheques can be mailed to the church. The mail is picked up regularly and the cheques will be recorded and deposited in a secure and healthy way. The cheque must specify which cause the funds are for.

3.Donations can be sent by e-transfer to a dedicated email address that deposits funds only to the church bank account. The person sending the e-transfer will be identified on the bank transaction and will receive a donation receipt from the church. More details will follow in the near future.

4. The denomination has set up another means of giving via the denominational website. The funds are given to the denomination which then also issues the receipt. The denomination then forwards the funds to the local church with a list of the donors. The gift can be given by automatic bank withdrawal or by credit card. The credit card donation would have some fees. More details will follow in the near future.

If you have any questions, please contact any member of council.