

# **Sunday Morning Worship Service**

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 4:30 - 5:30 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.

This morning is **Cadet Sunday**. The Cadets will be involved in leading the worship service in a variety of ways.

Pastor Joe will lead us in worship this morning.

The song of the month for February is "Gather Us In" - 529. In this song we ask the Lord to bring us all together, old and young, rich and poor, etc., for corporate worship, which will then motivate us to worship the Lord the other 6 days of the week. In addition, we'll be learning a verse of the month which reflects the song of the month. The verse this month is: Psalm 106:47:

Save us, LORD our God, and gather us from the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and **glory** in your praise.

#### God Calls us to Worship

**Gathering Songs** 

529 Gather Us In

- \*Call to Worship: 517
- \*Silent Prayer followed by

510 Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down

- \*God's Greeting
- \*Songs of Praise:

521 Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

529 Gather Us In (Song of the month)

Recite Psalm 106:47 (Verse of the month)

#### We Worship with the Cadets

**Cadet Opening Exercises** 

Cadet Litany

Cadet Song: PsH 292 Living for Jesus

(verse 1 Cadets, verse 2 all former Cadets/Leaders,

verse 3 all)

Children's Message

(Children 3-5 depart for Sunday School)

#### We Respond with Thanksgiving & Prayer

Our Offerings:

1 -Local and Denominational Ministries

2 -Cadets

Offertory Prayer

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Preparation:

732: 1,3,5 The Lord, My Shepherd, Rules My Life

#### God Speaks to us in His Word

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9

Text: 2 Cor 9:8

Sermon: Be a Blessing!

Prayer of Application

## God Sends us into the World

\*Song: 746 Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God \*Affirmation: 263 Joining the Mission of God

\*God's Blessing

\*Doxology: Build Your Kingdom Here

#### **Church Family:**

We are thankful **Mike Luchies** was able to have surgery on both knees on January 22. He hopes to be transferred to the Rehab section of the General Hospital, Ottawa and home by the end of the week.

We also think of **Frances Mulder** who is recovering from knee surgery.

We remember **Dick Don** in our prayers as he is getting much weaker.

Let us continue to keep John Doesburg, John and Marguerite VanBruinessen in prayer as they all deal with cancer and treatments. We pray for healing and peace knowing Jesus is the Great Physician and our Good Shepherd.

Hans Schuler is slowly gaining his strength as he remains in the General Hospital, Ottawa. He welcomes visitors to help pass the time. If you wish to receive updates from Alice ask her to add your name to her email list.

We also remember **Karen Lubbers** in our prayers as she minister to young people in Uganda through her words and actions.

May the Lord be near those who are hurting due to loss and others who struggle with their mental health. Let us be good listeners and may they find peace and relief from the God of all comfort.

**Pastor Bernie Update**: I am away this weekend visiting family. Feel free to contact me for a visit.

Next Sunday we'll start a four part series from Ephesians. "Messy Saints, Growing in Grace: Chosen, Called, One, and Filled". See if you can find those four texts in Ephesians.

Thank you Note: We would like to express a thank you to all for your cards, phone calls and other expressions of concern during our Mom/Oma's illness and passing. We especially want to thank our Heavenly Father for the grace and peace He showed Mom in her last hours. -From the Joldersma family.

**In our Classis**, we pray for Pastor Sid Ypma at the Ottawa Campus Chaplaincy.

In South Dundas, we pray for Iroquois— Cardinal Presbyterian Pastoral Charge, Rev. Geoff Howard

#### Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser -February 15!

The youth group welcomes everyone to the church for a tasty spaghetti dinner and dessert on Friday, February 15, beginning at 5:30pm. Included is also family fun trivia. Meal cost is by donation and all proceeds go to the youth group's upcoming Youth Convention and Niagara SERVE mission trip.

#### **Young Adult Weekend Retreat**

This event is this coming weekend at a cottage on Seeley's Bay, Feb 8-10 and deadline is Monday/tomorrow. So please let Pastor Joe know if you are coming, bring with you \$40 to the retreat to cover registration cost and he'll message you about what to bring and carpooling.

## Offerings received last Sunday:

Timothy Christian School –FACE \$ 199.00
Ottawa Christian Counselling 184.00
Benevolent Fund 20.00
Budget 5,147.00

## Offering Schedule:

Feb 10: Back to God Ministries International

Feb 17: Karen Lubbers (missionary)

Feb 24: Canadian Foodgrains Bank



- 5 James DeJong Marguerite VanBruinessen Nathan VanVeen
- 6 Jodi Fetterly Betty-Ann VanVeen
- 7 Brigitte DeJong

## **Next Week:**

- 11 Shirley Helder Ruby Jansen
- 12 Rick Johnston
- 13 Calissa Yogurtian Brittany DeJong
- 14 John VanBruinessen
- 16 Marge Norg Andrew McCourt Mary-Kate Staal



**Congratulations** to Gerrit Westervelt with his 91<sup>st</sup> birthday tomorrow, to Marguerite Van-Bruinessen with her 74<sup>th</sup> on the 5<sup>th</sup>, to Shirley Helder with her 74<sup>th</sup> on the 11<sup>th</sup> and to John Van-Bruinessen with his 72<sup>nd</sup> on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Voting/Casting Lots: Since the weather on Sunday, January 27, prevented some members of the congregation from attending the worship service it was decided by council to delay the voting for one week until Sunday, February 3. Voting will be held after the morning worship service and questions will be answered. If you cannot attend but wish to vote, signed proxy votes can be given to Jack Menkhorst or they can be emailed to him at <a href="mailto:menkhorst@live.com">menkhorst@live.com</a> by 8 am Sunday morning.

Our Kenyan Kids: Happy New Year: We are beginning 2019 by saying "thank you" for your support of \$2,085 this past year and also sharing important news. In recent months the Board of Directors of Our Kenyan Kids made the decision to eliminate the position of Program Coordinator in Kenya. By doing so admin costs have been drastically reduced. This means every dollar of your donation goes directly to our projects in Kenya to support the children and families in need. Thank you for your support. (paraphrased from notice on bulletin board)

#### Communication from council:

For many years the elders of our congregation have been phoning the members/families in their district in the event of a weather-related church cancellation or in the event of a death in the congregation or some other significant event. Especially in the event of the cancellation of a worship service, this can be a challenge for the elders. First of all, the decision to cancel is usually made in the morning dependent on the weather and the road conditions. Then the elder must phone everyone before they leave for church and he does not wish to phone them too early since he does not know at what time they arise. At the recent elders' meeting it was decided that since many people now communicate by email and by texting, the elders could also communicate with the members of their district this way. For the cancellation of a worship service an email will be sent out to those members with email addresses and all others will receive a phone call or a text. You can also check the church website to see if the morning worship service or the afternoon Bible study is cancelled. If there is a death, an email with the facts will also be sent and the others will receive a phone call or a text. We trust everyone will receive the required information in a timely fashion.

Are you interested in **Christian Education** but think you can't afford it? Timothy Christian School has financial assistance available through the Christian School Foundation's Partnership Bursary. There is an application to see if you qualify and the deadline for applying is coming up soon. We also offer a 10% discount for all families who are new to Christian Education. Please contact the school office for more information about what we can offer your family. <a href="mailto:office@tcswilliamsburg.ca">office@tcswilliamsburg.ca</a> or 613-535-2687

# **VOTING/CASTING LOTS PROCESS:**

For many years it has been the tradition in the Christian Reformed Church that members of the congregation vote to choose new elders and deacons after a list of nominees has been made up by council with input from the congregation. In 2004 the Synod of the CRC stated that the lot might be included in the process of selecting new office-bearers as long as there was still meaningful involvement by the members of the congregation since the Holy Spirit is as much involved by congregation voting as He is in the casting of lots.

Many CRC churches are already using the lot along with meaningful involvement by the congregation in the selection of new office-bearers. Churches that do use this method are giving positive feedback about the process. This process shows more sensitivity to those who are on the nomination list but do not get chosen. Even though the voting is done prayerfully, it is often the same people who are elected and some people are never elected.

At the council meeting on January 8, 2019, council approved a motion to include the casting of lots as part of the process of selecting new elders and deacons. Since this is a major change for our congregation, it requires the approval of the congregation. For that reason, a short congregational meeting will be held after the morning service on January 27, 2019, to answer questions and then to vote on this motion from council.

The following is a step-by-step explanation of the process:

- a) the congregation submits names for nomination for elder and deacon;
- council prayerfully reviews the names proposed by the congregation and visits with all those who will be on the nomination slate, informing them of this decision and requesting that they give it prayerful consideration;
- c) council presents to the congregation a list of members whom they deem to have the gifts to serve as elder or deacon. This list may be more than twice the number of elders and deacons completing their terms of office.
- d) the congregation completes an "affirmation vote" by voting "Yes" for all those who they deem to have the required gifts.
- e) All those with a majority of affirmation votes (50% + 1) will remain on the slate and all names will be kept in strict confidence.
- f) During a worship service the lot will be cast and the required number of deacons will be chosen from the deacon slate and the required number of elders will be chosen from the elder slate.

If you have any question about this process, do not hesitate to contact one of the elders or deacons.

Choosing a high school? At Redeemer Christian High School, your teen can grow in knowledge and faith while fostering Christian friendships. Come to our **Open House on Thursday, February 7th at 7 p.m**. Discover Redeemer at rchs.on.ca. Now is the time to register for September 2019.

From the OCRCC - The Ottawa Christian Reformed Campus Chaplaincy would like to thank you for all your support and prayers. February is often a stressful time for university students as many feel overwhelmed by papers and mid-terms while juggling a search for summer jobs or pondering what their post graduate next steps may be. February is also the time when the OCRCC begins discerning who our student leaders will be for the 2019-2020 academic year. Join us in praying for students and for the OCRCC as we create opportunities for Christian discipleship on campus. <a href="https://exampuschaplaincy.org">ocrcampuschaplaincy.org</a>

#### **Weekly Calendar**

Monday	7:00 p.m.	-GEMS and Cadets
Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	-Council Meeting
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	-Youth Group
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	-Ladies Bible Study

7:00 p.m. -Open House at Redeemer Christian HS

## **Coming Events**

#### Feb 8-10: Young Adult Weekend Retreat

**Monday, Feb 11:** Invitation to a Grandmothers' Tea! All Grandfriends and Grandmothers are invited to attend this annual social event with the GEMS Club. This gathering will be held from 7-8:30pm. All we ask is that you please bring your tremendous smile! There will be tea, games, laughter, entertainment, snacks, and of course, grand old fun!

March 23: Timothy Christian School Bonspiel: Beginning at 9am, we will be hosting a day of curling followed by a boerenkool supper at the Winchester Curling Club. The cost is \$300/team or \$75/person. Lunch will be sold during the day at the club. All proceeds from this event will go to Timothy Christian School. To register, please contact Tony VanderVeen at tony vanderVee

**March 30: TCS Bazaar:** We are currently underway in planning the 2019 Timothy Christian School Bazaar. Please save the date of Saturday, March 30. More info to follow soon.

TCS Spring Drive 2019: This year's theme at Timothy Christian School (TCS) is "Wired for Joy!" We pray that TCS will be a place where God's name is honoured and glorified, where his joy is lived out and shared. Here at TCS, we seek to provide Christ--centered education, where learning and a student's growing faith connect. We rely on a network of community and resources to support and nurture our students. This year, once again, our goal is to raise \$40,000 through our Spring Drive. Please prayerfully consider helping us reach our goal. Today, a letter, providing more information has been placed in your mail slot. Thank you for being part of our community and your ongoing support. If you have any questions, please contact the school at 613--535--2687 or email office@tcswilliamsburg.ca.

**JW MacIntosh Senior Support Centre Diners Club** –Roast Chicken dinner –Feb 7; Seniors \$7; non-seniors \$8. Dinner served at 12. Call 613-535-2924 to reserve your seat.

	February 3	February 10	February 17	February 24
Elder Hall Monitor Deacon	Jason Wagensveld Harold Douma Mike Dewar	Dan Schuler Ype VanderVeen Mark Geertsema	John Guthrie Jack VanGilst Peter Venema	Andrew VanVeen Harold DeJong Andrew Harbers
Projector	John M.	Josh G.	Devin G.	Chris J.
Usher Front Door	Marge N. Ralph N.	Devin G. Brent G.	Betty-Ann V. Anjo N.	Lindsey & Alie D.
Musician Song Leader	Pam Shannon/Sienna	Margo Mike	Tanya Group of 3	Jessica Shirley
Nursery Cuddlers Nursery Adventurers	Tanya G. Crystal B. Nancy D. Laura Lee D. David T.	Amy B. Melanie M. Stacey D. Bonnie B. Shannon G.	Bridget D. Koryn W. Ruth D. Sarah G. Brent G.	Jessica V. Jolanda D. Jenn W. Bridgette D. Cadie G.
Jr. SS Teacher Helper Craft Helper Helper *- indicates – bro	Emma Amy Nichole *David Annika <i>ing snack</i>	Sarah Brent Kristin *Jason Shannon	Crystal Koryn Tracey *Melanie Siena	Sharon Stacey Bridget *Jess Jordan
SS Grade 1 Grade 2 Grade 3 Grade 4-5 Grade 6-8	Children and Worship	Lianne Jessica Marni Derrick Tanya	Lianne Jessica Marni Derrick Tanya	Dan Melissa Cindy Jenn Jason
Coffee	Koop & Kathy Gerald & Eva	Will & Bonnie Ralph; Lisa	Dave & Brenda Jack & Margo	George & Robin Ype &Gail

**Woodland Villa: February 10:** T&J VanderVeen, Y&G VanderVeen, P Venema **24:** J&J Menkhorst, J&K Menkhorst

Letter to the Missionary this week: T Doesburg

Mailing address: Karen Lubbers, PO Box 423, Soroti, Uganda Email: ttklubbers@hotmail.com

Custodian / Church Hall Rental: Bill & Joanne Hoftyzer, 613-652-1211; jwhoftyzer@hotmail.com Bulletin Deadline is Thursday noon: 613-774-2435; fax: 613-774-3695; wcrcbulletin@gmail.com

Ottawa Christian Counselling Service: Dundas County Divisional office. Please call Ottawa office at 613-729-8454 to contact Elizabeth. All new clients must dial 0 for general inquiries.