

When
God says
Yes
and No

**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
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.

**"Better is one day in your courts
than a thousand elsewhere"
Psalm 84:10.**

This Sunday we welcome Pastor Bernie to lead us in worship. He'll be preaching for the next 3 Sundays.

New Song of the month for January # 370 "My Soul Finds Rest", which is a song of assurance and trust in the Lord.

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.

Gathering Songs

God Calls us to Worship Him

*Call to Worship

*Silent Prayer followed by

503 "As the Deer"

*God's Greeting

*Songs of Praise:

551:1,2,6 "All Creatures of our God and King"

672: 1,2,5 "O Come My Soul Sing Praise to God"

We Renew our Relationship with God

Call to Confession & Assurance of Pardon

Song of Salvation: 676 "Oh, How I Love Jesus"

God's Will for our Lives:

725 "Charge: A Living Sacrifice"

*Song of Dedication: 370 "My Soul Finds Rest"

(Children from 3-5 depart for Sunday School)

We Response with Thanksgiving and Prayer

Offerings:

a. Local & Denominational Ministries

b. Benevolent Fund

Offertory Prayer

Congregational Prayer

*Song of Preparation:

749 "Spirit of the Living God"

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture: Isaiah 35:5-6; 61:1; Luke 7:11-23

Sermon: "When the God says Yes and No"

Prayer of Application

God Sends Us into the World with His Blessing

*Song of Response: M67 "Immanuel"

*Affirmation of Faith: 434 "My Only Comfort"

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology:

946 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

(*indicates please stand if able)

Prayer items

In our church family we pray for:

Early this week Hans Schuler was admitted to Westchester Hospital as he was quite weak with pneumonia. We pray for strength and healing as he seeks to regain his strength.

Frances Mulder, in General Hospital Rehab Centre Ottawa, hopes to be released this week after knee replacement surgery. We pray for a safe place and continued healing.

We give thanks John VanBruinessen is doing well so doctors postponed considering immunotherapy for cancer till February. Marguerite is waiting for more tests before doctors consider her cancer treatment. John Doesburg remains at home experiencing the ups and downs of his cancer. Daily we remember these families in prayer and care.

Let us remember Grietje Joldersma as she is quite weak at this time as she experiences kidney failure. We thank the Lord for His presence.

On Wednesday night, Robert Wubs, son of Nanda and Richard Wubs, who had been battling cancer, passed away. Please keep this family in prayer, as they grieve the loss of a son and brother. Please pray for comfort and peace through this time.

Let all of us remember those who struggle with illness, depression or other concerns that at times cause us to ask questions about our faith in the Lord.

In our Classis we pray for:

Calvin, Ottawa, Pastor Craig Hoekema, Pastor of Youth and Congregational Life Ron Hosmar

In South Dundas we pray for:

St. Mary's - St. Cecilia's Roman Catholic Parish
Father Thomas Thazhappally

Offerings received last Sunday

Budget-2019	\$ 3,323
Redeemer CHS - Transportation	\$ 503
Christian Blind Mission (Jan. 1)	\$ 694
Budget-2018	\$ 1,222

Offering Schedule**January 13 - Benevolent Fund**

This fund is used by the deacons to financially assist those within our church and the community when a need arises or help is requested.

January 20 - Timothy Christian School.

Financial Assistance for Christian Education FACE is a fund that is set aside to help those who desire to send their children to TCS, but find themselves short of having enough to cover the full cost of Christian Education. For more information talk to one of the Deacons.

January 27 - Christian Counselling Ottawa

Christian Counselling Ottawa offers intervention and counselling services in many areas, including: trauma, depression, anxiety, abuse, couple / marriage issues, family issues, child development faith issues, sexual addictions, other addictions, eating disorders, and self-harm issues.

February 3 - Calvinist Cadet Corps

The Calvinist Cadet Corps is an independent (non-denominational) youth ministry organization whose purpose is to provide the local church with a ministry program that will enable them to effectively share Christ's love with boys from their church and community. Founded in 1952, the Corps has more than 600 clubs throughout North America.

WINTER BLUES POTLUCK Sunday Jan 27 is the annual

winter potluck after the morning service and everyone is invited to come and make it an enjoyable lunch. Buns, meat and cheese will be provided and if you could provide either a soup, side/salad or dessert, that would be greatly appreciated.

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




*Happy
Birthday*

This Week - January

- 13 Crystal Byers
- 14 Mary Douma
William Savary
- 15 Cheryl Ponsen
- 16 Robert Tibben
- 17 Cadie Geertsema
Charlie Peters
- 18 Tyson Buist

Next Week -

- 20 Michael Dewar
Jackson Munro
 - 23 Donna TerHorst
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Profession of Faith

If anyone is interested in making public profession of your faith feel free to talk to Pastor Joe in the near future. It'd also be helpful to read the form in the Grey Hymnal, pg, 964-65 for greater clarity of what it means.

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;
- b)** 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.

Weekly Calendar January 13 - 19

Monday	7pm	GEMS, Cadets
<p>7pm A Will is on Everyone's To-Do List:. Redeemer Christian High School will host an Estate Planning Seminar. The Christian Stewardship Services (CSS) seminar leader will walk through the basic questions people have about will preparation. Since this event is sponsored by the Christian School Foundation and CSS, attendance is complimentary. E-mail info@rchs.on.ca to confirm your attendance.</p>		
Tuesday	7pm	Friendship / Bill
Wednesday	7pm	Youth Group
Thursday	10am	Ladies Bible Study
Saturday	7am	Men's Bible Study McIntosh Inn

<p>YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE</p> <p>Jan 16 - Regular Night Jan 23 - OFF for exams Jan 30 - Regular Night</p>

Coming Events Calendar

WINTER BLUES POTLUCK

Sunday Jan 27 is the annual winter potluck after the morning service and everyone is invited to come and make it an enjoyable lunch. Buns, meat and cheese will be provided and if you could provide either a soup, side/salad or dessert, that would be greatly appreciated.

Sunday Jan27 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING after worship service *(details on page 4)*

YOUNG ADULT WINTER RETREAT

All young adults (post high school - 30'ish) are invited to a relaxing retreat from **February 8-10** at a cottage on Seeley's Bay. The purpose is simply to enjoy a weekend away with friends - e.g. play some games, eat good food, learn more from the Word - and the cost is only \$40/person. If you have any questions or would like to register, please contact Pastor Ron Hosmar (613-255-7834 ron.youthpastor@gmail.com). Registration deadline is Monday February 4.

DEACON DAY (Sat. April 6, at Kemptville CRC.) is for anyone who has compassion for others. The day's program will strengthen your ability to offer someone a leg up. The Rev. Kevin de Raaf will start the day with a presentation on engaging the power of the Holy Spirit when we are in "the mess" of life. Next on the agenda is a comedy sketch by Sara Weber, entitled 'not enough'. The day concludes with a workshop on the opioid crisis, led by a front-line worker. We encourage deacons, youth leaders, parents and all people drawn to these topics to attend.

	January 13	January 20	January 27	February 3
Elder Hall Monitor	Ype VanderVeen John Guthrie	Jack Van Gilst Andrew van Veen	Harold DeJong Jack Menkhorst	Jason Wagensveld Harold Douma
Deacons	Mark Geertsema	Peter Venema	Andrew Harbers	Mike Dewar
Projector	Devin G.	Chris J.	Tony V.	John M.
Usher Front Door	Tim V. Jason S.	Jack V. Margo V.	Jo-Ann H.	Marge N. Ralph N.
Musician Song Leader	Margo Shirley	Tanya Harold	Jessica group of 4	
Nursery Cuddlers	Christine V. Janet N.	Jessica M. Lindsey D.	Kristin G. Liz M.	
Nursery Adventurers	Alice S. Jeff T. Jason S.	Eva R. Dan S. Megan D.	Karen M. John D. Devin G.	
Jr. SS Teacher Helper	Kristin Jason	Tracey Melanie	Bridget Jess	Emma Amy
Craft Helper	Sarah	Crystal	Sharon	Nicole
Helper	*Brent	*Koryn	*Stacey	*David
Helper	Shannon	Siena	Jordan	Annika
SS Grades 1	Lianne	Dan	Dan	
Grades 2	Jessica	Melissa	Melissa	Children
Grades 3	Marni	Cindy	Cindy	and
Grades 4/5	Derrick	Jenn	Jenn	Worship
Grades 6/7/8	Tanya	Jason	Jason	
Coffee	Neil & Christine Harold & Mary	Ed & Jolanda Theo & Ria	Mike & Jackie Tony & Jessica	Koop & Kathy Gerald & Eva

Woodland Villa: **January 13** D. & A. Howland, J. VanVeen, A. & B. VanVeen, P. Venema
January 27 R. & M. Norg, H. & M. Douma, P. Venema

Letter to the missionary this week - E. & M. Don

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