



*"You will go out in joy
and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and hills
will burst into song before you,
and all the trees of the field
will clap their hands.."*

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Prayers this week

- We lift up John VanBruinessen as he awaits radiation treatments for the tumor on his brain.
- We lift Hans Schuler up in prayer as he is experiencing more pain and more difficulty breathing.
- We think of others struggling with daily aches and pains, loneliness, and the effects of old age.
- We thank the Lord for rain in our region and pray for the continued blessing of rain.
- We pray for our nation and nations around the world as they struggle to fight COVID 19. We pray especially for our neighbours to the south who are experiencing a new wave of infections.

From the deacons

Our benevolent fund is built up and ready for any needs that should arise. Therefore we have decided to restart our second collection schedule. Offerings may be submitted in the following manner.

Service Elder Schedule

July 19 Dan S, Ype V **July 26** Ype V, Harold D,
Aug 2 Harold D, John M **Aug 9** John M. Neil V

Second Collection Schedule:

July 25 Moses and Karen Lubbers-Odel
Aug 1 OCRCC - Ottawa Christian Reformed
Campus Chaplaincy

Collected last week

Counting Committee:

Here are the totals for the last 2 Sundays:

Tim. Chr. School.....	\$ 20.00
Benevolent Fund.....	\$ 61.00
Karen Lubbers.....	\$ 100.00
Budget.....	\$ 3939.00

1. Cheques can be mailed to the church. The mail is picked up regularly and cheques will be recorded and deposited in a secure and healthy way. The cheque must specify which cause the funds are for.
2. Donations can be sent by e-transfer to a dedicated email address, wcrccdonate@gmail.com, which deposits funds directly to the church bank account only. The person sending the e-transfer will be identified on the bank transaction and will receive a donation receipt from the church at the end of the year. Please note the cause to which you are donating in the comment section when sending the e-transfer. Donations with no comment are posted to the church budget
3. If you wish to donate with cash, please contact the clerk. He will arrange pickup and issue a receipt. Please indicate what cause your gift is for. If you have any questions, please contact any member of council.

Pastor Gregg

Call to Worship

We do not wish to inquire with undue curiosity
into what God does that surpasses human
understanding
and is beyond our ability to comprehend.

Greeting

Confession and assurance

But in all humility and reverence
we adore the just judgments of God,
which are hidden from us,
being content to be Christ's disciples,
so as to learn only what God
shows us in the Word,
without going beyond those limits.

Children's Moment

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Sermon

You Asked for it – What are we learning
What is God doing in this pandemic
Genesis 50:15-21

This doctrine gives us unspeakable comfort
since it teaches us
that nothing can happen to us by chance
but only by the arrangement of our gracious
heavenly Father,
who watches over us with fatherly care,
sustaining all creatures under his lordship,
so that not one of the hairs on our heads
(for they are all numbered)
nor even a little bird
can fall to the ground
without the will of our Father.

Affirmation

**Belgic Confession Article 13:
The Doctrine of God's Providence**

We believe that this good God,
after creating all things,
did not abandon them to chance or fortune
but leads and governs them
according to his holy will,
in such a way that nothing happens in this world
without God's orderly arrangement.

In this thought we rest,
knowing that God holds in check
the devils and all our enemies,
who cannot hurt us
without divine permission and will.

Yet God is not the author of,
and cannot be charged with,
the sin that occurs.
For God's power and goodness
are so great and incomprehensible
that God arranges and does his works very well
and justly even when the devils
and the wicked act unjustly.

For that reason we reject
the damnable error of the Epicureans,
who say that God does not get
involved in anything
and leaves everything to chance.

Blessing

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

This Week - July

- 19 Grant Farrow
Frances Mulder
- 22 Harper Dewar
- 23 Leah Hawkins
- 24 Rita Kooistra
- 25 Kaitlyn Kovar

Next Week -

- 28 Kathy Norg
Sarah Staal
- 29 Gregg Lawson
David VanBruinessen

August

- 1 Audrey Bruining
Harold De Jong

We rejoice with those celebrating birthdays over 70 years of age.

Wishing you God's continued blessing as you celebrate.

Congratulations to:

- Frances Mulder 86
- Audrey Bruining 70

Thank You So Much

In spite of the virus and the hot weather, we were able to come together on three different mornings in groups of about 10 persons to celebrate my 85th Birthday. It was wonderful to meet as part of the family of God. Thank you so much for just being there! Also for the many cards I received, the emails and other tokens of love. But above all, thanks be to God for His unspeakable love for all of us! Alice Kooistra

COUNCIL REPORT FOR MAY, JUNE AND JULY 2020:

Council continues to meet monthly via ZOOM to discuss the affairs of the church and to plan for the day when we can worship together again. The following is a summary of the past three meetings:

1. Council prepared a list of nominees and welcomes Chris Johnson, James Kooistra and Mike Luchies to serve as elder and Tim Van Gilst to serve as deacon. The tentative date for their installation is September 13.

2. At every council meeting all members are asked how they are doing during this pandemic. Thankfully all have been doing well but they look forward to the day when we can worship together again, meet together again and visit with friends and family again.

3. Ruth Doesburg has requested that her membership in our church be withdrawn. Council acquiesced with regret and thanks her for many years of faithful attendance and involvement.

4. Council approved the purchase of some equipment to attempt to improve the facebook LIVE worship services. Some of this equipment has finally arrived and will be tested during the broadcast of the services on Sunday, July 19.

5. Since VBS and SERVE have been cancelled because of the pandemic and because these two ministries would normally take much of Pastor Joe's time during the months of June and July, he requested that his workload and remuneration be reduced to 50% from June 15 to July 31. During that time he would pursue his passion for landscaping for members in the congregation and members of the community. Two elders met with Pastor Joe to discuss this request. Council denied his request but gave him their blessing and trust to continue his ministry in all areas of his life, including landscaping. A pastor is on call 24/7 and there is no defined line regarding "company time" and "personal time".

6. Council is also preparing for the re-opening of the worship services to all members of the congregation. Re-opening guidelines will be/have been distributed. The tentative re-opening date is September 13 and we look forward to that special service.

7. Council approved the request from both pastors for vacation time. Pastor Gregg and Laurie plan to be camping the last two weeks of July and returning after the civic holiday. Pastor Joe and his family will be visiting extended family for the first two weeks of August. Since both pastors will be away during the civic holiday, Pastor Joe assured council that he would delay his vacation if an urgent need arose in the congregation. Pastor Joe will prepare the worship service for August 2 and it will be led by two elders.

8. Council thanks both pastors for their extra effort during this time and asks the congregation to keep the pastors and the council in their prayers.