



Because of  
the Lord's  
GREAT LOVE  
we are not consumed,  
for his compassions  
never fail.

They are  
new every morning;

GREAT  
is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23 (NIV)



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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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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**We have had to make some changes to our phone in access for Sunday mornings.**

Unfortunately we no longer have a toll free number so long distance charges will apply.

Try to call in a few minutes before the service start time, but if you're running late, please still join us - you won't disturb the call.

**The new number to dial is:**

1-647-558-0588 (some of you used this new number on Easter Sunday)

The automated greeting will ask you for your **meeting ID (this has also CHANGED)**

Enter 613-705-3094 on your phone keypad, followed by the # key (which is referred to as the pound key)

It will ask you for your participant number. Enter # (pound) again.

Tanya Geertsema will be there 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 about any background noise disrupting the call.

Looking forward to worshipping with you!

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**Pastor Gregg**

Open

Call To Worship

Greeting

Confession And Assurance

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Sermon

Living Words

1 Thessalonians 2:1-16

Affirmation Of Faith

Blessing

**Prayer items -**

- We give thanks for Taylor Douma, daughter of Thomas and Michelle Douma as she recovers from a successful surgery this week and pray as she may need further surgeries in the coming days.
- We pray for the families and communities of Nova Scotia that are still reeling from the tragic violence that came to their areas.
- We pray for the people of Fort McMurray as they face yet another act of nature. We pray for safety from the flooding

**1 Thessalonians Preaching Series**

Pastor Gregg and Pastor Joe are set to begin on April 26th, a new preaching series on the letter of 1 Thessalonians. The apostle Paul wrote this letter, one of his first, to his beloved friends in Thessalonica to encourage them in the faith and to strengthen their hope in view of Christ's imminent return. And while the letter was written some time ago, and Christ has still not returned, our benefits from this letter are unchanged and still applicable as God empowers productive, Godly lives as believers wait for the Lord's return.

**Book of Acts Reading Plan** Everyone, young and old, is invited to read through the Book of Acts during these next 4 weeks. This book tells the story of the early church, how it grew immensely despite struggles and persecution. The reading plan will be emailed or delivered to you to help you dive deeper into the passages. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastors Gregg or Joe.

**Youth Group - Wednesday, 7:30pm on Zoom**

**Collections during this past week:**

Budget: \$5,840  
Benevolent Fund: \$625

**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, five different options are available: PAR, cheques, e-transfers, giving via the denomination and cash donations. Please see the bulletins of April 12 and 19 for more information or contact the clerk. We thank all those whose giving to God's kingdom work has continued despite Covid-19.

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**Because we loved you so much,  
we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God  
but our lives as well.**

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1 Thessalonians 2:8

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## This Week - May

- 3 Erin De Jong  
Rachel Oosterhof  
Paul Veerman
- 5 Pamela Dean
- 6 Neil Vandermeer
- 8 Elizabeth McInnis
- 9 Kurtis Byers  
Brooke Ponsen

## Next Week -

- 10 Tammy Irvén
- 11 Lindsey DeVries  
Bryan Tibben  
Mark Tibben
- 12 Peyton Pickup
- 13 Naomi Buist
- 14 Brandon  
VanBruinessen  
Mitchell  
VanBruinessen
- 15 Mary Vreman
- 16 Carl Burton  
Chantel Honders

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

Congratulations to:  
Mary Vreman - 87  
Carl Burton - 79

## Did You Know?

Daily devotionals from God's Word - Today Daily Devotional Today is a daily devotional that helps God's people refresh, refocus and renew their faith through Bible reading, reflection, and prayer.

The Today Devotional which we love and trust is available online and can be emailed each day to your inbox, so it is really handy on your devices. [today.reframemedia.com](http://today.reframemedia.com)

Also Reframe Media, publisher of the devotional Today has some great Christian resources that are invaluable to families....

- Family Fire has many articles on parenthood, marriage, anxiety, grandparenting and christian living.

Other resources include:

- Kids Corner
- Think Christian
- Groundwork
- Church Juice

You may want to check out these resources.

[reframemedia.com](http://reframemedia.com)

## CRCNA - COVID-19 Resources

To assist you in responding to the challenges that this crisis brings, the ministries of the Christian Reformed Church in North America are curating resources on key topics, and churches are using The Network to learn from and support each other. Visit The Network to browse all topics, ask any questions, or add your own post to share your experience. Or use the chat tool and we'll try to assist.



Q. How can you make God laugh?

A. Tell him your plans.