Williamsburg Christian Reformed Church February 25, 2018

John 3:16 NIV

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his one and only Yon,

that whoever believes in him

shall not perish but have eternal life.

Interm Pastor - Rev. George Holthof Youth & Young Adults Pastor Rev. Joe Groeneveld 12436 Cty. Rd. 18, Williamsburg, ON 613-535-2227 www.williamsburgcrc.org

Sunday Morning Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Looking at Church History Discussion 7 p.m. Sunday Evening

Child care provided for infants and toddlers during the morning worship service.

Junior Sunday School for children born in 2012, 2013, 2014 Dismissed during the worship service.

Sunday School & Catechism

for children grades 1 -12 After the worship service.

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.

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. This Sunday we welcome the Baden-Powell Scouts to our service. They will assist in a variety of ways as this is an important part of their Scout program.

Next Sunday will include a time of commissioning as the Mission Trip team to South Carolina prepares to learn and serve in that context during March Break.

Pastor George will be leading the services for the next few weeks. Pastor Joe is at First CRC of Montreal this morning serving that congregation for a classical appointment.

This Sunday evening - 7pm Church History Discussion

This evening at 7pm we'll be surveying Monasticism. Where did it come from and why? What's it all about? And is monasticism something we should encourage and support?



Good Friday and Easter Sunday Choir: If you are interested in singing in a choir, please email jessvanderveen@gmail. com. Practice BEGINS TODAY after church .

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

Rev. George Holthof

Gathering Songs

*God Calls us to Worship Him

Call to Worship: Let us worship God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ.

Blessed in Him we are new people – new creations; the old has gone, the new has come! Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors.

Through us and through our worship may we announce and declare the good news of salvation to all.

Let us worship God rejoicing in spirit and in truth. Glory and praise to God! In Christ Jesus we truly are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

-based on John 4:24; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

* Silent Prayer followed by:

537 Open the Eyes of My Heart God's Greeting

Songs of Praise

6 Praise the Lord, Sing Alleluia# 78 Shout to the Lord

Welcome to the Scouts and families

Scout promises

We Renew our Relationship with God

Call to Confession & Assurance of Pardon Song of Salvation:

MAJN # 85 Here Is Love

God's Will for our Lives: from Matthew 22:37-40

The Lord Jesus taught this as the summary of God's will for our lives – declaring how we ought to live:

" 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Song of Dedication:

#859 Be Thou My Vision

children from ages 3-5 depart for Sunday School

Offerings: a. Local & Denominational Ministries b. World Renew / Disaster Relief Offertory Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

* Song of Preparation: # 610 Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Prayer for Illumination Scripture: John 17:1-5 Jesus ... looked toward heaven and prayed: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began."

Sermon: PRAYING FOR GLORY Prayer of Application

God Sends Us into the World with His Blessing

* Song of Response: #590:1,2,8
Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
* Apostles Creed (on screen)

* God's Parting Blessing:

* Doxology: #219 Jesus Shall Reign

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Prayer Items:

In our Church we pray for:

-This Friday/Saturday is the bi-annual meeting of Classis Eastern Canada. Pastor Joe, Mike Luchies and Tony Vanderveen are the delegates representing our church.

-Health concerns for many, both young and old.

-Wisdom for our political leaders, both federal and provincial, as they seek to lead and serve our great country.

In our Classis we pray for:

Classis Meeting March 2-3

In South Dundas we pray for:

Iroquois - Matilda United Church Pastoral Charge Rev. Valerie Vande Wiele

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.

Offerings received last Sunday

\$ 5,475
\$ 866
\$ 23
\$ 20
\$ 10
\$ 1,939
\$ 7,800

Offering Schedule

February 25 - World Renew-Disaster Relief

When disasters strike, World Renew (Disaster Relief) responds to the urgent needs that arise. In North America, this often includes clearing debris, assessing needs, training local leaders, and repairing and rebuilding damaged homes. Internationally, it includes providing and distributing emergency food, water, shelter, and other supplies. It also often involves reconstruction of homes and livelihoods. World Renew's ability to respond to disaster

March 4 - Canadian Foodgrains Bank

The mission of Canadian Foodgrains Bank is to end global hunger. They do this by collecting grain and cash donations for projects in many countries all around the world. They also manage the procurement and supply of food commodities and engage in public policy and education activities related to hunger and food security. The projects they support provide food assistance to people with immediate food needs, help communities to improve food security (provide food for themselves in the longer-term) through improved agricultural techniques, and help families and communities improve their nutrition.

March 11 - Gideons International Canada

March 18 - F.A.C.E. Financial Assistance for Christian Education



Joint Refugee Sponsorship Committee Update :

The committee met on Feb 15 with twelve members in attendance. Two new members representing Dixons Corners Community CRC and two new members from Immanuel CRC Cornwall were welcomed. Particulars such as names and ages of the refugee family to be sponsored were discussed. The family is from the Democratic Republic of Congo and is presently living in Malawi Family members consist of father (25); mother (25); daughter (10); son (4) and newborn daughter. Volunteer roles were assigned and a budget was established. Considering funds on hand and government contributions a fundraising goal of \$12,500 was established. Donations may be made by way of regular church collection plate and marked " refugee fund" and will be included in your annual charitable donation receipt .



Thursday, March 1, beginning at 7pm

Benefit Concert for Timothy Christian School: Come and enjoy an evening of music performed by Michael and Daniel Trolly and students from TCS. The concert is Thursday, March 1, beginning at 7pm at the Community CRC in Dixon's Corners. A free will offering for TCS will be taken after the concert.

Kindergarten Camp: Timothy Christian School is excited to offer a Kindergarten Readiness program for children turning 4 in 2018 or children new to Kindergarten. Children will experience learning through devotions and Bible stories, arts and crafts, language and math activities, and stories and singing. The program will run every Thursday morning during the month of **April (April 5, 12, 19 and 26) from 9-11:30.** Cost is \$75. For more information or to register, please contact the school at 613-535-2687 or office@tcswilliamsburg.ca.

Youth Events

All Ontario Youth Convention

This convention for high school students is once again held at Wilfred Laurier University on May 18-21. Will you be one of the nearly 1000 youth in attendance this spring? If so, early bird registration ends on Feb 28. Register now for the best deal at www.allontario.com and talk to Pastor Joe if you have any questions.

What is AOYC 2018 all about?

Our theme is "Here" - taken from God's promise to his people in Isaiah 42.

The concept of Here is spatial. Isaiah 42 reminds us of God's "present-ness", not limited by a certain latitude or longitude, stretching through "unknown country". The images of wilderness remind us that no matter where we find ourselves, God is and was and will be there.

March 8 to March 17

Godspell: The message of Godspell is literally taken from the biblical parables found

in Matthew and Mark and is, of course, family friendly. Our updated interpretation lovingly presents these parables through energetic music, song, and movement that celebrate Christ's resurrection. We are the same Company who brought you the enormously successful productions of Freud's Last Session in 2013 and C.S. Lewis' The Screwtape Letters and Narnia in 2014. In the current atmosphere of "fake news" and false promises, the Christian message is more relevant than ever. Godspell spills over with thoughtfulness, enthusiasm, and optimism! You can find out more about the play or get your tickets at at http://www.9th-hour.ca/the-stories/the-2018- season/godspell/. It is being produced at Centrepointe Theatre from March 8 to March 17. Our production, while uplifting and worthy on its own, is also raising money for the Ottawa Innercity Ministries art program serving homeless and street engaged youth.

HOW DO I FIT IN GOD'S MISSION?

Sometimes the stories we hear about people on mission can seem incredibly intimidating. It makes us wonder and possibly doubt that we could be part of God's mission in a way that could make a difference. If this resonates with you, then Resonate Global Mission Eastern Canada invites you to be part of "How do I fit in God's Mission?"

WHEN: Saturday March 24, 2018 – 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

WHERE: Kemptville CRC – 2455 County Road 18, Kemptville, ON

Speakers for the day include Kevin DeRaaf – Resonate Global Missions leader for Eastern Canada, Ottawa missional community practitioners, Rick Nanninga and Sheila Murphy.

The topics for the day will be: *MISSIONAL CONTINUUM* - unpacking different levels of engaging in mission and inviting us to reflect on where God is leading us and/or our church community to take the next step.

Choice of: *APEST* – based on Ephesians 4 - Apostolic, Prophetic, Evangelistic, Shepherding and Teaching – unpacking what this means for your church and how God invites you to live into your unique calling in His Kingdom.

MISSIONAL COMMUNITIES – what are they and how are they part of God's mission for the Christian Reformed Churches of Classis Eastern Canada?

COST: \$20.00 BEFORE MARCH 11, 2018; \$25.00 afterwards which includes lunch.

For further information or to register, please contact Mark Mallette at amarkmallette@gmail.com or call 613-880-1791. REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 18, 2018

April 7, 2018 Brockville

DAY OF ENCOURAGEMENT Soon you will be able to find out the details of our coming DOE. You will finally find out about the captivating workshops and other exciting events that have been planned. Make sure you get one of the pamphlets so you will be able to register for this low-cost but high-quality event.

The Seaway Valley Singers' Student Bursary Program. The bursaries provide direct support to students of music who are currently attending or have enrolled in a post-secondary institution. For more information, please visit the Seaway Valley Singers website.

THIS WEEK - February 25 - March 3

Sunday	7pm	Church History Discussion		
Monday	7pm	GEMS, Cadets	Friday March 2 - (<i>starting about</i>) 7pm Classis Evening Discussion	
Tuesday	7pm 7:30pm	Friendship - Mary Elders mtg.	Have you wondered about the many ways God is working in the different churches of our Classis? You are invited to come	
Wednesday	7pm 7pm 7pm	Youth Group Search Committee FAC meeting	for the Friday evening session of the Classis Eastern Canada meeting on March 2 at Ottawa Calvary where we will have the opportunity to hear from mem- bers of different churches about the ways God is working in their churches and communities. If you are involved in a unique ministry in your church or com- munity and are interested in being part of the conversation, please contact Michelle DePoot- er at michilie@hotmail.com.	
Thursday	10am 10am 7pm	Ladies Bible Study Tots and Tea Benefit Concert for TCS Community CRC in Dixon's Corners		bers of different churches about the ways God is working in their churches and communities. If you are involved in a unique ministry in your church or com-
Friday (al Saturday	bout) 7pm 7am	Classis Evening Discussion Mens Bible Study		

J.W. MacIntosh Senior Support Centre has a *Diners Club* program for seniors and not so senior residents of South Dundas. We hold our Diners Club at various locations. Join us **Thursday, March 8 Iroquois Legion for Beef Stew.** Dinner will be \$8.00 for seniors, \$9.00 for non-seniors. Call J.W. MacIntosh Senior Support Centre at 613-535-2924 to reserve your seat or for more information.



A **BIG** thank you to everyone who came out for the **Pancake Brunch** this past Monday. It was a great success and a good team effort. Thanks for your support.

And a **BIG** thank you to the crew making and serving the delicious Pancake Brunch.

Elder Hall Monitor	February 25 Andrew van Veen Harold De Jong	March 4 Jack Menkhorst Jason Wagensveld	March 11 Mike Luchies Koop Mulder	March 18 Tim Van't Foort John Guthrie		
Deacons	Tony VanderVeen	Mike Dewar	Mark Geertsema	Peter Venema		
Projector	Chris Johnson	Tony VanderVeen	John Menkhorst	Josh Geertsema		
Usher Front Door	Neil V. Bridget D.	Tim V. Jason S.	Jack V. Margo V.	Jo-Anne H. Greg v.		
Nursery Cuddlers	Betty-Ann v. Janet N.	Tanya G. Stacey D.	Crystal B. Bonnie B.	Bridget D. Koryn W.		
Nursery Adventurers	Eva R. Laura Lee D. David T.	Dan S. Amy B.D. Shannon G.	Melanie M. John M. Candence G.	Ruth D. Annika W. Jason S.		
Jr. SS Teacher Helper build succ puild succ Helper * Helper	Sharon Jackie Nicole *Jason Victoria	Koryn Jillian Amy Larissa *Annika	Emma Brenda Sarah S. *Shannon	Tracey Jacqueline Crystal Melanie *Siena		
SS Grades 1 Grades 2 Grades 3/4 Grades 5/6 Grades 7/8	Dan S. Tanya Cindy Jenn Jana	Dan S. Tanya Cindy Jenn Jana	MARCH BREAK	Children and Worship		
Coffee	Mike & Jackie Tony & Jessica	Koop & Katherine Gerald & Eva	Bill & Tina Ralph / Lisa	Will & Bonnie Jack & Margo		
Woodland Villa:Feb. 25J. & J. Wagensnveld, T. & J. VanderVeen, Y. & G. VanderVeen, P. VenemaMar. 11J. & J. Menkhorst, J. & K. Menkhorst, P. Venema						
Letter to the missionary this week - G. & E. Reitsma Temporary Mailing Address - Karen Lubbers, 60 Donkers Drive, St. Thomas ON N5P 4J1 Email: ttklubbers@hotmail.com						
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