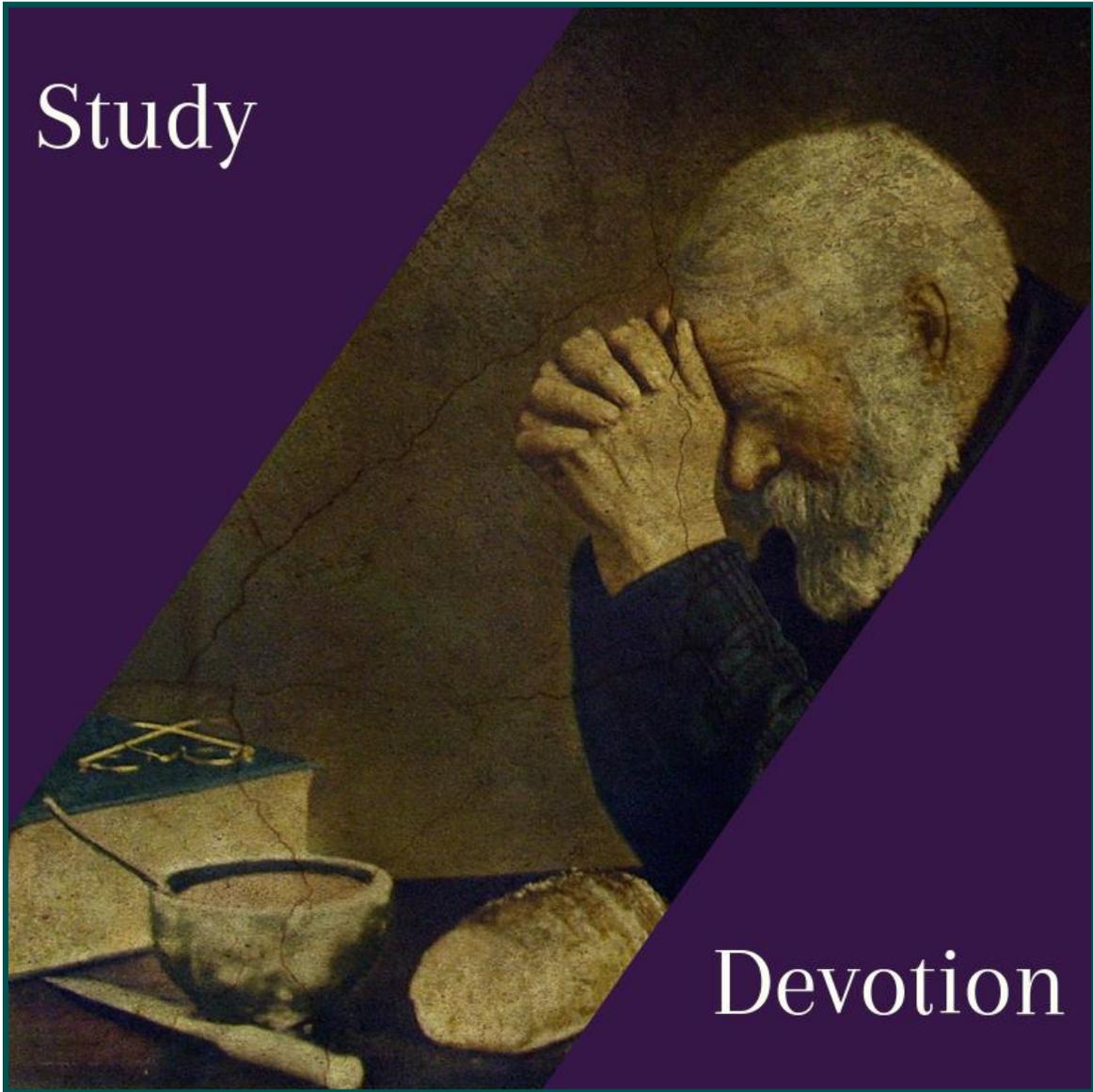


Community Christian Reformed Church
Kitchener, Ontario
April 7, 2019

Study



Devotion

April 7, 2019
5th Sunday of Lent
10:00 a.m.
Pastor Amanda Bakale
Elder-in-Charge: Janette W

[* Please rise, in body or spirit]

Gathering and Greeting

Gathering Song: *"All the Way My Saviour Leads Me"*

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader	As the deer pants for streams of water
Congregation	so my soul pants for you, my God.
Leader	My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.
Congregation	When can I go and meet with God?

moment of silent meditation

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

*Songs of Praise: *"All Who Are Thirsty"*

"Lord, I Need You"

Confession and Assurance

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

*Song: *"Great Are You Lord"*

Children's Blessing

Children ages 3 – Grade 3 are now invited to participate in Sunday School. Children (ages 3-5 only) need to be signed in and out by a parent or guardian.

Proclamation of the Word

Song of Preparation: *"As the Deer"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Luke 10: 38-42

Sermon: **“Listening to Jesus”**

Prayer of Application

Response to the Word

Children in Grades 4-6 are invited to participate in their weekly sermon discussion.

*Song of Response: *“Ancient Words”*

Prayers of the People

Offering: 1) Ministries of Community Christian Reformed Church
2) World Renew – Refugee Program in Canada

Offertory Song: *“Better is One Day”*

*God’s Parting Blessing

*Doxology: PsH #637 *“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

**The congregation is asked to remain in their seats after the service to allow the Pastor and people with special duties or disabilities to exit first.
Please exit when the music begins.**



Following the service, everyone is invited to come together for fellowship and coffee/tea/juice in the gymnasium. Coffee for seniors is served in the Large room off the room.

There is no evening service today

Members have the opportunity to meet in their Communities or Small Groups today. Study material is available in hard copy at the Information Centre or on the church website at www.ccrcc.on.ca (click on the “Communities/Small Groups” tab). If you do not know what “Community” you belong to, please contact the church office or Pastor Carel.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The bracketed numbers indicate the Community to which these individuals belong

Alan D (3) was able to go home from Freeport Hospital this past Thursday. Pray for a full recovery.

Frederika V (13) was able to return home after a brief stay at St. Mary's Hospital.

Olga S (9) health is declining and because of this it is requested that visits should be limited to family members only. Please keep the family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Please continue to pray for:

- those who are shut-in and/or unable to worship with us on a regular basis because of various health issues; **Lynda J** (14); **Mandy B** (7); **Willemina G** (13) **Helen H** (6); **Gine K** (1); **Sandra K** (9); **Jenny W** (6); **Ralph and Willy W** (14);
- those dealing with depression and other forms of mental illness;
- those dealing with cancer, its treatment and effects;
- those dealing with broken relationships;
- those who are unemployed or underemployed;
- **Anthony and Barbara P** with Daystar Ministries on Manitoulin Island;
- the staff and leadership at the Journey
- the persecuted Church;
- the Ministries and the Leadership of our congregation

UPCOMING SERVICES

Apr 14	10 a.m.	Pastor Carel
	6 p.m.	Pastor John
Apr 19	10 a.m.	Good Friday Pastor Amanda Lord's Supper
Apr 21	10 a.m.	Easter Sunday Pastor John
	6 p.m.	No evening service

OFFERING SCHEDULE

Budget Contributions For March 31, 2019

	Actual Contributions Received	Targeted Contributions	Contributions (Shortfall)/ Surplus	
Mar 31	\$10,346	\$14,153	(\$3,807)	
YTD	\$183,513	\$231,993	(\$48,479)	
NewGround (formerly Operation Manna)			\$	2,085
Refugee Fund			\$	50
Laurentian Hills Christian School			\$	50
Woodland Christian High School			\$	25
Missionary Support			\$	20

Our offering today is for World Renew-Refugee Sunday! - Thank you for celebrating 40 years of World Renew's Refugee Program in Canada and for demonstrating the compassion of God by supporting refugees! Your prayers and generous gifts will enable the Refugee Program to continue to assist churches as they respond to the many refugees in urgent need of compassion and

protection. To find out more about refugee sponsorship, 40th anniversary events, and additional opportunities, go to worldrenew.net/40yearsofwelcome or contact Rebecca Walker at 905-336-2920.

Next Week Our Offering is for “Missionary Support”. Our past practice has been to take a single offering for each missionary. However, this year our aim is to raise \$14,000 in quarterly offerings for missionary support (\$10,000 for the Ts and \$4,000 for the Ps). So far we have reached our goal of \$3,500 for the first quarter and look forward to continuing that challenge in the second quarter. We will be getting an update from the Ps at the Congregational Meeting next Sunday. Making “missionary support” intentional helps each of us to become more prayerfully engaged in the mission of God. When giving, please indicate “**Missionary Support**” on weekly offering envelopes.

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

The Spring Congregational Meeting is scheduled for **next Sunday, April 14**, immediately following the morning worship service. Agendas were distributed via the mailboxes last Sunday and extra copies are available at the Information Centre.

Abuse Prevention Training: Attention all volunteers who have not yet had the Abuse Prevention Training in the fall or are looking ahead to Vacation Bible School or other summer programs. Did you know that this training is mandatory in order to serve? The Safe Church Team has recognized that many still have yet to do the training. Therefore, we are offering a training night: **April 24th at**

7:30pm in the Church Sanctuary. Questions? Contact Paula L.

The next LAFF/Seniors' Trip is scheduled for Thursday, May 30, 2019. The tour will include stops at the Windmill Country Market and the Alexander Graham Bell Homestead in Brantford. There will also be a coffee break in the morning and a lunch stop at noon. The cost will be the usual \$60.00 per person. Sign up by sending a cheque to Rinze V. Keep in mind that there will not be a refund for a cancellation unless there is a waiting list. Refer any questions to Rinze V by phone or by e-mail.

Cadets (a club for boys ages 7 – 13) will meet tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. at the church for their closing program.



Knifty Knitters: If you love to knit and/or crochet, please join us at the church on Tuesday, April 9 at 9:30 a.m. for another morning of caring through crafting.



Friendship News: From a fun-filled evening of square dancing, we see our season winding down. This coming week we will have a pizza and lasagna supper. Pastor Bernie will have the story of Ruth and Naomi, plus we'll have prayer and share time. Next week we'll have our practice for Friendship Sunday on May 5.



Consistory meets this Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the large classroom off the gym.

Coffee Break meets this Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. at the church. Women of all ages and stages of life are encouraged to join us for a morning of prayer, inter-generational fellowship and spiritual accountability and renewal. Childcare is provided. Any questions, please contact Jen F.



GEMS (Girls Everywhere Meeting the Saviour a club for girls ages 7-13) will meet this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the church.



AOYC 2019 – The All Ontario Youth Convention is an opportunity for highschool-age youth to connect, worship and serve with other youth from across Ontario. This annual event is a highlight for many, and will be held at Wilfrid Laurier University May 17-20. More info is available at allontario.com.

If you register online by April 15, CCRC will contribute \$50 towards your registration. To receive the \$50 bursary, **do not pay online at the AOYC site**. Instead, select the option to pay by cheque when registering, print out the confirmation form, and submit it with your cheque payable to CCRC for the total amount minus \$50 to Steve or Michelle F. When registering online, consider the options to buy a T-shirt and donate \$5.

We are also looking for a couple of additional small group leaders to join our youth at AOYC. If you are 18 years or older, are available May 17-20 and are interested in spending an amazing weekend with our youth, please let Steve F know. We would like to have all leaders registered by April 15.

If you have any questions, please talk to a Student Impact leader or contact Steve F.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

For all of the announcements, employment and volunteer opportunities available through the Denomination and others, please see the listing and posters on the Deacons bulletin board across from the washrooms for information.

Groundwork: A Grim Reality and A Reason to Hope - The book of Judges contains some pretty gruesome stories. Why are they included in the Bible? Join Groundwork as we examine Judges 3:20-23 and Judges 21 to discover the purpose of Judges and learn important lessons about sin, leadership, and hope. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Biblical Advocacy Workshop - The CRCNA, World Renew, and Canadian Foodgrains Bank are partnering to present Faith in Action: Practicing Biblical Advocacy - a workshop that will help you learn how to advocate to elected officials and have your voice heard by local, provincial, and national leaders. April 27th @ Immanuel CRC in Hamilton, 9:30a.m.-3:30p.m. Register at www.bit.ly/onadvocacy or contact cstover@crcna.org.

