

Community Christian Reformed Church
Kitchener, Ontario
April 21, 2019



E A S T E R S U N D A Y

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Easter Sunday
April 21, 2019
10:00 a.m.
Pastor John Medendorp
Elder-in-Charge: Randy Z

[* Please rise, in body or spirit]

Gathering and Greeting

Gathering Song: PsH #400 *"Praise the Saviour, Now and Ever"*

Easter Proclamation

*Song: PsH #405 *"I Serve a Risen Saviour"*

*Easter Greeting

*Song: PsH #388 *"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"*

Scripture Reading: Psalm 118: 1-24

Song: PsH #241 *"This is the Day"*

Children's Blessing

Children ages 3&4 are now invited to participate in Sunday School. A drop-in room is open in Classroom #4 for any children who are unable to sit through church today.

Proclamation of the Word

Song of Preparation: *"Cornerstone"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: John 20

Sermon: **"I Have Seen the Lord!"**

Prayer of Application

Response to the Word

*Song of Response: PsH #396 *"Low in the Grave Christ Lay"*

Easter Prayer of Adoration

Offering: 1) Ministries of Community Christian Reformed Church

2) Resonate Global Mission

Offertory: PsH 387 *"Alleluia, Alleluia"* (instrumental)

*Closing Hymn: PsH #391 "The Strife is O'er"

*God's Parting Blessing

Postlude: "Sing Choirs of New Jerusalem"

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 Multi-Purpose room.

There is no evening service today

Have a Blessed Easter!

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The bracketed numbers indicate the Community to which these individuals belong

John D (13) received word from Holland this past week that a brother-in-law passed away after a lengthy illness. This is the 4th death in his family in the last 10 months. In addition to this loss, John's brother, Sietse D, recently underwent a kidney transplant and is doing well. Please remember this family in your prayers.

At the Congregational meeting last Sunday, it was announced that Rachel V (8) has been hired as a part-time interim Worship Coordinator. Welcome, Rachel! She can be contacted at worship@ccrc.on.ca.

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;
- 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 Pennings** with Daystar Ministries on Manitoulin Island;
- the persecuted Church;
- the Ministries and the Leadership of our congregation

Congratulations to **Graham and Darlene B** (3) as they celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary tomorrow, April 22, 2019. May God continue to bless and strengthen their marriage for many years to come!

Staff Information

The **church office will be closed tomorrow**, Monday, April 22, 2019.

Pastor John will be on vacation from April 24 – May 3, 2019.

OFFERING SCHEDULE

**Budget Contributions
For April 14, 2019**

	Actual Contributions Received	Targeted Contributions	Contributions (Shortfall)/ Surplus	
April 14	\$7,965	\$14,1536	(\$6,188)	
YTD	\$212,214	\$260,299	(\$48,085)	
Missionary Support			\$	2,650
Waterloo Campus Ministries			\$	40
World Renew – Cyclone Idai Response			\$	10

Our offering today is for Resonate Global Missions. *“Formed by the joining of Christian Reformed Home Missions and Christian Reformed World Missions, Resonate Global Mission trains missional leaders, guides new churches, and forges partnerships to proclaim and live out the good news of Jesus Christ worldwide.”*

Next week our offering is for the GEMS Girls Club. *“GEMS stands for Girls Everywhere Meeting the Savior. GEMS welcomes girls of all backgrounds into a safe and nurturing*

environment to learn and grow as they discover who God created them to be. Clubs are offered in local churches and Christian organizations throughout the U.S. and Canada and 15 other countries.”

UPCOMING SERVICES

April 28	10 a.m.	Pastor Amanda GEMS Participate
	6 p.m.	Communities Meet
May 5	10 a.m.	Pastor John Friendship Club Participates
	6 p.m.	Pastor Carel

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

Library News! We are excited to announce the Grand Opening of the church library on **Sunday April 28, 2019.** The library will be open before the service from 9:30 to 10:00 and again after the morning service. Please come and check out our new space and all the new books we have available for your reading pleasure. Also, come and fill out a ballet guessing the number of books we have in the library and win a lovely gift!

Chili Dinner! The youth are hosting a chili dinner on Friday, May 10 to raise money for the CCRC Mission Fund which will provide the necessary resources for their upcoming SERVE trip to Muskegon, Michigan in July. The menu for the evening is chili (vegetarian chili will also be available) and there will be an opportunity to bid on some delicious desserts. A fun evening, with some entertainment, is in store for the whole family. The dinner begins at 6:00 pm. Please come out and support the youth!

Vacation Bible School: Registration is now open for "ROAR" VBS 2019 to be held from **July 15-19!** You can go online to ccrc.on.ca to find the registration page. VBS is for children entering JK-Grade 6.



Please also consider being a volunteer this year. The work is easy and the atmosphere is fun. We do have childcare for volunteers who are bringing young children. For any questions or to sign up to volunteer please speak to Melodie S or Kristin G.

Safe Church/Disability Awareness Training: Attention all volunteers who have not yet had the Abuse Prevention/Disability 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: **this coming Wednesday (April 24th) at 7:30pm at the church.** Questions? Contact Paula L.

Dive Into Doctrine: Sign Up Now! This year, for Dive into Doctrine (DID), we'll be exploring a contemporary testimony of the Christian Reformed Church: **Our World Belongs to God.** Join us as we dive into and wrestle with our Reformed faith and what it means for how we live and think and believe today! DID will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. each Wednesday evening of the month of May. **Sign up at the Information Centre or visit ccrc.on.ca to sign-up online.**

Mission Challenge: The Mission Strategy Team is looking for 4 or 5 members of the congregation to take up the challenge to go to Montreal from July 10-14. The purpose of the trip is to visit Mission Montreal and discover how they are making an impact on the Montreal metropolitan area in the name of Jesus. What we learn in Montreal may help us to think about and perhaps strategize as to how our Communities or we as a congregation may make an impact on our region. Melodie B is going as our French interpreter. If you are interested, please speak to Pastor Carel or Larry L.

Manitoulin Island Mission trip. From June 5-10 a team of people from CCRC will be travelling to Manitoulin Island to visit with Anthony and Barbara P and their mission with Daystar Native Outreach. Included in the team are: Laura D, Margaret O, Keith and Joanne O, Art T, Jane V, all from Community 2. They will be joined by two staff members of Resonate Global Mission. The purpose of the trip is to explore what a relationship between CCRC and Daystar or the Pennings might be in the future. Please remember this team in your prayers as they make preparations for their trip.

Knifty Knitters: If you love to knit and/or crochet, please join us at the church on Tuesday, April 23 at 9:30 a.m. for another morning of caring through crafting.



Administrative Council will meet this Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the church.

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.

Impact will be headed to Adventure Rooms for our April social event. Adventure Rooms is an Escape Room format game where your team is placed in a room and must use logic, creativity and teamwork to solve puzzles and codes to find their way out of the room. We will be competing in 2 duels, where you battle head to head to see what team can find their way out of the room the fastest. If you have never tried an escape room before, now is your chance! If you have tried it before, come out and show us your stuff! **Please make note of the change of week night (Friday), April 26 and time 6:00 – 9:00, (earlier than normal). Cost is \$15.**

Where: Adventure rooms - 283 Duke St West Kitchener. For further information or questions, contact Marion Z. Bring a friend, mark your calendars and hope to see you all there!

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.

