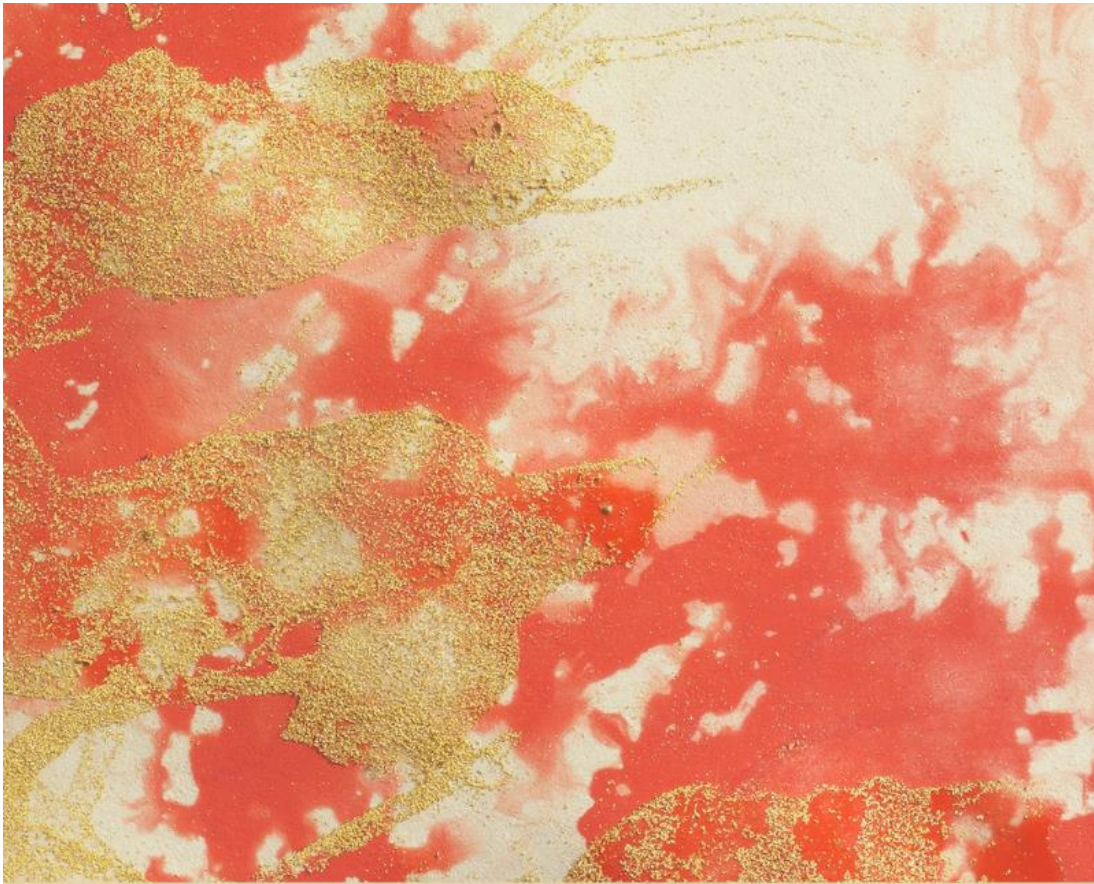


Community Christian Reformed Church
Kitchener, Ontario
May 12, 2019



H O L Y C O M M U N I O N

May 12, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Pastor John Medendorp

Elder-in-Charge: Gary B

[* *Please rise, in body or spirit*]

Gathering and Greeting

Gathering Song: *"Because He Lives (Amen)"*

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

*Song of Praise: *"Come People of the Risen King"*

Prayers of the People

Offering: 1) Ministries of Community Christian Reformed Church

2) World Renew - Disaster Response Services

Offertory: *"All the Way My Saviour Leads Me"*

Sunday School Graduation

Sunday School Graduation Litany

Presentation of Gifts

Song: *"Go, Now in Peace"*

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: *"Salvation Belongs to the Lord"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Revelation 7: 9-17

Sermon: ***"The Lamb Will Be Their Shepherd"***

Prayer of Application

Song of Response: *"Behold the Lamb"*

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The Institution

The Teaching

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Invitation

The Distribution of the Elements - the bread is Udi's gluten, dairy and nut free
- the juice is non-alcoholic

Response of Praise

God's Parting Blessing

Doxology: PsH #627 *"Bless His Holy Name"*

**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 regularly scheduled evening service today

Communities/Small Groups: Today is the last Sunday where there is no regularly scheduled evening worship service allowing instead for Communities and small groups to meet. The material this Sunday asks you to prayerfully reflect on this past season and to anticipate the season to come. The questions for discussion can be found in hard-copy at the Information Centre, or on the church website at ccrc.on.ca under the "Communities" tab. Just because there are no more set aside Sundays for gathering that does not mean that Communities ought to wait for September to meet again, after all the Communities continue even though small group meetings may stop for a bit. Please consider ways to gather throughout the summer.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The bracketed numbers indicate the Community to which these individuals belong

Our condolences are extended to **Jeff and Laura D and their children Andrew and Michaela** (2) with the passing away of Jeff's mother, **Mrs. Bertha D.** Bertha passed away on Wednesday, May 8th in her 80th year. She was a sister-in-law to **Ina D** (1) and an aunt to **Al D** (1), **Rob and Carolyn D** (4), **Dave D** (1), and **Donna and John V** (1). The family will receive friends at the Drayton Christian Reformed Church (88 Main Street East) tomorrow, Monday, May 13, 2019 from 9:30 am to 10:45 a.m. A Celebration of Life service will follow the visitation at 11:00 a.m. May the Lord comfort all who mourn.

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: **Willemina G** (13)
- those dealing with broken relationships;
- those who are unemployed or underemployed;
- **Anthony and Barbara P** with Daystar Ministries on Manitoulin Island; **Hank and Rosario S** volunteering with Resonate Global Mission in Guatemala;
- the staff and leadership at the Journey
- the persecuted Church;
- the Ministries and the Leadership of our congregation

Pastor Carel will be back in the office tomorrow.

Donna V will be out of the office from Monday, May 13 – Wednesday, May 15 of this coming week. She will be attending the Interdenominational Conference for Church Administrators at Crieff Hills just outside of Cambridge. This conference is an opportunity to come together with others from various denominations who share and understand this unique position. There is time set aside for workshops, worship, encouragement and reflection. **Pastor Amanda**, under the authority of our Council will be leading in a worship service at the retreat and serving Lord's Supper on Monday, May 13 in the afternoon. Donna will be back in the office on Thursday morning, May 16 at 9:00 a.m.

Classis Huron (a regional gathering of Christian Reformed congregations) meets this Wednesday (May 15) at the CRC in Clinton. The delegates from CCRC are Pastor Amanda (pastoral delegate and also serving as chair of the meeting), John D (elder delegate), and Jane V (deacon delegate). The agenda is relatively light with updates from various ministries including: the Fergus Church Plant: *The Bridge*; the Mission Catalyst position; as well as an update on River City Church, Cambridge, plans for organization from a church plant to a full-fledged congregation in the CRC. Classis will meet the new President of Redeemer University College, Dr. Robert J. Graham, for the first time. A larger item on the agenda will be the presentation of the 2018 Financial Statements by treasurer John Bell. The statements indicate that

CCRC paid 100% of our classical ministry shares and that Classis was able to pay all of its bills for the year. Pray for safety as the delegates travel from as far away as Owen Sound, Exeter and Cambridge and Acton, and that the Spirit of the Lord will lead the discussions. The meetings are open to the public.

Assessment), to providing training to recovery organizations, to reconstruction and more -- they are dedicated to long-term recovery. They do it all in the Name of the Lord."

Next week our offering is for the Benevolence Fund. This fund is used by the deacons to financially assist those within our church and the community when a need arises or help is requested.

UPCOMING SERVICES

May 19	10 a.m.	Pastor John
	6 p.m.	No evening service
May 26	10 a.m.	Pastor Carel Woodland Christian High School Choir
	6 p.m.	Pastor John

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

Apartment/Housing for the K family: Our committee is continuing its search for an apartment for the K family. We have been given many good leads and have viewed several apartments recently which would work well for the K's. Our challenge is that because we do not yet have a firm arrival date, we are cautious to commit to a rental contract. With that in mind we are asking for your help in two aspects.

1. Short term housing for the family – we might receive as little as a week's notice that the K's are coming and then would need a temporary place for them to stay. This would be only if their arrival and the rental date do not coincide. Would you be willing to host this family in the short term if needed?
2. Our preferred permanent location for the family is in the Fairway Mall area of Kitchener - as it would be close to the D's who have language and culture in common with the K's. In addition to leads from our real estate support, if you should hear of any private accommodation possibilities close to Fairway or indeed anywhere in

OFFERING SCHEDULE

**Budget Contributions
For May 5, 2019**

	Actual Contributions Received	Targeted Contributions	Contributions (Shortfall)/ Surplus
May 5	\$12,029	\$14,153	(\$2,124)
YTD	\$264,631	\$318,759	(\$54,128)
Friendship Ministries			\$ 2,225
Ray of Hope			\$ 50
GEMS			\$ 55
Missionary Support Fund			\$ 30
Benevolence			\$ 20

Our offering today is for World Renew Disaster Response Services (DRS). *"World Renew DRS responds to natural disasters across the United States and Canada. Volunteers generously donate hours and hours of their time to help disaster survivors return home. From clean-up, to identifying those in need (They call this program Needs*

Kitchener please let us know. Contact Darlene B if you can help.

Knifty Knitters: If you love to knit and/or crochet, please join us at the church on Tuesday, May 14 at 9:30 a.m. for another morning of caring through crafting.



The Consistory and Diaconate will meet this Tuesday, May 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the church.

Dive Into Doctrine: This Week...On Wednesday night, **we're inviting the Centre for Public Dialogue** to lead us in an equipping session on how to "call on governments to do public justice" (Art 53) and hearing from CCRC members how they honour the "gift of life" (Art 44) in their work in end-of-life care, disability support, and a local pregnancy centre. If you haven't joined us yet, you're more than welcome! Come for snacks at 7pm and stay for engaging discussion at 7:30pm. There's a seat waiting for you!

Kitchen Auxillary Update: Thanks to those who have stepped into action with the Kitchen Auxillary team! Our committee is growing but fear not...We still have ROOM FOR YOU to join us. 😊 We are still looking for another couple of people to join us and if you are considering at all, please join us THURSDAY AT 7pm (16th) at the church as we familiarize ourselves with our newest member and solidify our scheduling plan. Structured a little differently than in the past, we will be implementing a 'buddy system' for those of us who have changing work schedules. The current committed

members are Ben & Marjo M, Amy d, Dorothy V and Tina B. Feel free to call Dorothy if you want more information or show up on **Thursday at 7pm** to meet the crew! Thanks for all the prayers that have brought us together as a group to serve you in this way.

Faith and Hops - Thursday, May 16 @ 6-8pm: If you're a 20ish to 30-something looking for a place to connect and deepen your faith, come on out to Faith + Hops now at the Malt + Barley Public House - around the corner from the church. The third Thursday of every month we get together for engaging discussion, fried food, and a beverage of your choice. Check out CCRC's Facebook page closer to the date for the discussion topic!

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

Spring into Action for Christian Education: **Woodland Christian High School** invites you to participate in our annual ***Nurture the Vision – Spring Fund Drive***. During **May 1 – 18** volunteers from your community will be contacting friends of Woodland to ask for financial support.

If you have any questions or wish to make a donation, please contact **Brian & Lisa E**, The Fund Drive Coordinator in Kitchener/Waterloo or visit our school website for online giving options: www.woodland.on.ca. Thank you for your prayerful support.

