



# Clinton Christian Reformed Church

## Sunday, January 3, 2021

**We close out 2020 and begin 2021 with the Lord.**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE – DECEMBER 31, 7:00 PM.** We look back through 2020 through the lens of portions of Psalm 23, including summarizing sharing from church family submissions about the grating challenges of the year and gratitude for the good. We'll also be including a slide show roll call of 2020 milestones in the church family.

**NEW YEAR'S DAY – JANUARY 1, 10:00 AM.** We launch into 2021, perhaps weary in being in another pandemic lockdown, with Hebrews 12 to inspire us to run the race of faith in 2021 with fresh motivation and hope.

### **Church Family:**

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**Prayer Needs:** Our Heavenly Father is gracious and has an ever listening ear. Let us be faithful in praying for one another. Some members of our church family are not able to worship with us in person and we ask that you keep them in your prayers: *Jeene Amsing, Alice Bakelaar, Evelyn VanderWal, Annie VandenHeuvel, Martin Geleynse, Wilma Reinink, and Sally Hellinga.*

Other members of our church family are struggling and need God's healing hand and comfort: *Elisabeth Van Tol, Leen and Agatha Van de Ban, Janny Postma, Nellie Hoogendoorn's Mom Jenny Valkenburg, and Kay Feddes.*

Please keep **Leen & Agatha Van de Ban** in your prayers as due to declining health Leen was admitted to the St. Mary's Hospital this week to receive care until a long-term care opportunity locally is available. Please pray for peace and patience, and for provision for a caring place.

Thank you to my church family for the calls, visits and prayers I received this last year. Wishing you all Blessings for the New Year – **Linie Haverkamp**

**Directory Update:** Brian Cudmore lives at 135 James Street, Apt. **109**, Clinton. Please update your directory.

**Pastor Ray Vander Kooij** can be reached at the church 519-482-5264, ext. 1, his cell at 519-993-3303 or by email at [pastor.ccrcc@tcc.on.ca](mailto:pastor.ccrcc@tcc.on.ca).

## **Birthday Congratulations to:**

**January 3:** Neil Ball  
**January 4:** Holly Kroes  
Brandon Vanderhaar  
**January 5:** Brad Kroes  
Isaac Greidanus  
Ann Oskam who is celebrating her 79<sup>th</sup> birthday  
Karin Veenstra  
**January 7:** Dallas Dykstra  
**January 8:** Nick Geleynse  
**January 9:** Robert Tetu who is celebrating his 71<sup>st</sup> birthday



## **Church Its Ministries & Concerns:**

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**NEW YEAR'S EVE:** Back to God Hour  
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**THIS SUNDAY'S OFFERING:** Cadets/Gems (Local Clinton Groups)  
**NEXT SUNDAY'S OFFERING:** Clinton Food Bank (Friends of the Community)

### **Ways to Give:**

**E-Transfer:** Remember that you can donate via e-transfer through your bank. Use [clintoncrctreasurer@tcc.on.ca](mailto:clintoncrctreasurer@tcc.on.ca) as the email and type whether it is for the church budget and/or the weekly offering in the memo. We understand that some banks are charging per e-transfer so if you would like to send your donation once a month you can do so. Please make sure that the memo line specifies budget and/or weekly offering.

You can **MAIL YOUR CHEQUE** to the church. Address is 243 Princess Street East, PO Box 697, Clinton, ON, NOM 1L0.

You can sign up for **PAR** if you haven't done so already. Contact Trudy MacDonald at [trudy.macdonald@sympatico.ca](mailto:trudy.macdonald@sympatico.ca). Pre-authorized remittance is for the church budget only.

**Coupons:** This option can be used for the weekly offering and can be mailed to the church. Please make sure that you specify the weekly collection.

Reminder to those needing reimbursement for items purchased for the church that an **Expense Reimbursement Request Form** needs to be filled out. You can contact the church office to request a form.

**Live Streaming:** To watch the live stream, go to the church website – [www.clintonchristianreformedchurch.ca](http://www.clintonchristianreformedchurch.ca) and click the banner that says “Click here to watch live stream”. You may need to refresh the church webpage. If you’re having trouble or want to view the services but don’t have a computer, please contact Angela and she’ll see how she can help - ([ajanekaptein@tcc.on.ca](mailto:ajanekaptein@tcc.on.ca) 519-440-3011.



**Reading Suggestion:** 3 books by R.J. Larson. PROPHET, JUDGE, and KING. Ela Roeh of Parne doesn’t understand why her beloved Creator, the Infinite, wants her to become His prophet. She’s undignified, bad-tempered, and only seventeen. Yet after experiencing His presence, she can’t imagine living without Him.

### **Other News:**

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**TODAY DAILY DEVOTIONAL** is available online at <https://today.reframemedia.com/devotions>. The January/February booklets are available and can be picked up at the entrance of the church.

**OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONAL** is available online at <https://odb.org/?fbclid=IwAR1dWODx09iMGYCFpRUY6z2YXgW1IOTctehhU34wGr3OTNR9awXTKwwoDsk>

**The Banner:** Get The Banner by Email - Stay connected with our weekly e-newsletter, the Banner

**From Back to God Ministries International:** BEING GOD’S COPYCAT - Check out the new kids’ devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). In Colossians 3:12, God shows us how we can do what he does by acting with “compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.” Listen now at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) and subscribe to KC’s weekly emails for all the new content.

**GROUNDWORK: COMMITMENT AND DISCIPLESHIP** - Following Jesus is not always easy. Join Groundwork as we study Matthew 13:3-23, Luke 14:25-33, and Hebrews 12:1-3 to better understand the spiritual discipline of commitment and learn how we can cultivate the lifelong discipline of following Jesus Christ. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.

**From Calvin University:** Calvin University January Series - Each year Calvin University provides a publicly accessible series of speakers on various topics related to the Christian life and worldview. This year the January Series runs from January 6 through 26, 2021 and because of COVID-19 is offered to us in the safety and comfort of our homes. They are offering an impressive lineup of speakers and topics. The series is free of charge, but you need to register to watch it. More information on the content, speakers list, and REGISTRATION details can be found at [www.calvin.edu/january](http://www.calvin.edu/january).

**From Faith Formation Ministries:** At-Home Faith Formation Tip - The Practice of Engaging Scripture: Eugene Peterson says of Scripture engagement, “Reading is an immense gift, but only if the words are assimilated, taken into the soul—eaten, chewed, gnawed, received in unhurried delight.” Read your favorite Scripture passage that way today. Take time to savor and “gnaw” on it, noticing any new insights that come to mind. (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit [crcna.org/FaithFormation/Practices](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation/Practices).)

**Ramoth House** is urgently seeking a woman (over 21 years of age) who feels called to guide our moms in establishing and maintaining healthy routines, educate in basic life skills, supervise and coach in parenting skills, maintain the home so as to create a place that is healthy and safe, and build relationships that share Christ’s love. This contract is 40 hours per week and is steady 7:30-3:30 day shift from Monday to Friday, however a shared contract will be considered. Additionally, we are seeking women who feel called to join our support team for evening, night, or weekend shifts. Contact Christina at 519-323-3751 or [christina@ramoth.ca](mailto:christina@ramoth.ca) for more information or to apply.