

Welcome!

This is the second Sunday of Lent. As the Lord was made known to the two travellers to Emmaus in Luke 24, so this morning as we celebrate the Lord's Supper, may the Spirit who is the Lord, make known once again His unfailing love to us all. As we reflect on the mercy of God in Christ for each of our lives, may it turns us to one another as we discover once again that we need one another in our brokenness together travelling the healing journey which is finding forgiveness and wholeness in the grace, mercy and peace of God in Christ by the work of the Holy Spirit.

Pastor Colin.

Visitors/Guests Notes

Welcome! This morning's service will include the sacrament of the Lord's Supper (also called Communion or Eucharist). The Lord's Supper is a sacrament that points us to the fact that we are part of Christ's Body (the Church) by the once and for all sacrifice He made for us in dying on the cross for our sins. The congregation is invited on the basis of this grace in Christ to celebrate in faith God's gift of salvation.

If you are new here or visiting with us today and you are a baptized member of Christ's Church, believing in Jesus as your Saviour and Lord, you are invited to join us in this sign and seal of God's promise of forgiveness in Christ. If you are here and you have never been welcomed into the Church through baptism, we encourage you to contact the pastor to talk about God's call in your life and explore the joyful meaning of being baptized.

CONTACT CARD

We want to get to know you! Feel free to fill out the Contact/Prayer Card in the bench and drop it in the offering bag or slide it under the pastor's office door.

CHILD CARE

Child-care is available for both infants and toddlers located in the lower level of the church.

BETHANY KIDS

Children ages 3-8 leave during the service to attend Children's Church downstairs.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & HEARING ASSIST DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE USHERS.

All are welcome to join afterwards for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

Connecting

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Worship/LIFE Groups (position vacant—contact Pastor Colin)

We Partner With

Locally

Bible League, Elisha House, Family Outreach, Friendship Club, Hannah House, Harvest Kitchen, Open Arms Mission, Pelham Cares, Pro-Life, Rose City Kids, Shalom Manor, Covenant Christian School, Smithville Christian High School.

Globally Check out www.crcna.org

Devon Van Hoffen serving in Africa. Email Devon at devon@handsatwork.org

Follow Devon on his blog at www.devonvanhoffen.wordpress.com

Happening Today

Worship Leaders 8:00am – time of praise, prayer, & preparation

Pre-service Prayer 9:15am – Council & worship leaders (in Council room)

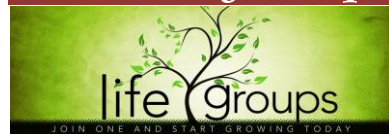
Reflections Bible Study meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at John and Heidi TeBrake's.

The next lesson is lesson 5 from the Fruit of the Spirit study guide.

Upcoming

Next Sunday offering: World Renew-Canadian Foodgrains Bank

Get Equipped for Faith Life



GEMS: 2015-2016 Theme:

Psalm 119:105 "Choose Truth"

Meets every Thursday evening from 7-9pm for girls in grades 4-8 from Sept.-Apr. For more

information contact Diana at Cell: 289-696-5567 or email:

dj.diana.slappendel@gmail.com

CADETS: 2015-2016 Theme:

Matthew 4:19 "Hooked on Christ"

Meets every Thursday evening from 7-9pm for

boys in grades 4-8 from

Sept.-Apr. For more information

contact: Mike Klapwyk 905-892-3036

Men's Bible Study

6:00am Tuesday mornings

Women's Coffee Break

9:30am Tues at Grace CRC

Heart to Heart (Women)

9:30am every Friday

Konnect 20 (Young Adults)

One eve/month (call/text

Andria 289-687-3024)

Potluck/Bible Study Group

4:30pm on 1st Sunday of every month

Authentic Manhood Study

Wed's 7:30 PM at church

Bethany Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday at 7:30pm at Cynthia

Vermeer's home.

"Living Crazy Love" By Francis Chan



Faith Instruction (Catechism) every

Tuesday at 7:00pm @ the church for grades 9-12.

MERGE (youth group) meets

Tonight from 7-9 for grades 9-12

At church.

Please note that Andrea Veldhuizen will be away from Feb.20-27th. If you have any youth related matters, please contact the Youth Elder Ray VanHuizen.



We're on the web!
www.bethanycrc.ca

Welcome to Bethany!

Let us rejoice in the Lord together!



Bethany Christian Reformed Church

February 21, 2016
9:30am

Today in Worship



The Lord Gathers Us

Call to worship - 2Corinthians 4:5-6

*Opening songs

“Open the Eyes of my Heart”

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

*God’s Word of greeting

*Songs of Praise

“You are Worthy of my Praise”

The Lord Shows Us His Grace

Celebration of Lord’s Supper

Song during passing of elements: “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Song of Thankfulness

“Jesus Loves the Little Children”

(Children ages 3-8 invited downstairs for Sunday School)

Prayer & Offerings

1. Ministries here at Bethany & the CRCNA

2. Rose City Kids

Prayers of God’s People & for the proclamation of the Word

The Lord Speaks to Us through His Word

Scripture: Luke 24:25-32 (p. 923)

Message: Lent#2 “Scripture”

Prayer of blessing on the message

The Lord Sends Us Out to Celebrate & Serve

*Song of Response

“When We Walk With the Lord”

*God’s Word of blessing

*Closing Song

“Salvation Belongs to Our God”



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Exodus 12-13; 1 Thessalonians 2
 Exodus 14-15; 1 Thessalonians 3
 Exodus 16-18; 1 Thessalonians 4
 Exodus 19-20; 1 Thessalonians 5
 Exodus 21-22; 2 Thessalonians 1
 Exodus 23-24; 2 Thessalonians 2
 Exodus 25-26; 2 Thessalonians 3

Sermon follow up starters ...

1. Read again Luke 24:25 ... With what tone and expression do you think Jesus said these words? When our own foolishness and slowness of heart show itself, how do you feel the Lord is expressing Himself to you?

2. Is what Jesus does in vs 27, something that only He could do because He is the Lord? Or is it something we can do? What parts of the Bible would you go to in order to show someone who Jesus is?

3. In vs 28-29, we see demonstrated something very similar to Genesis 18 vs 1-8. Read that passage and then Matthew 25 vs 31-40 (highlight vs 35). Discuss where our culture is with respect to welcoming the stranger into our midst. How do you personally feel about your own home and that of your neighbors as to inviting strangers into your own space?

4. If Matthew 25 vs 31-40 is really true, where do we see Jesus with us today?

5. What is it about a meal together, that teaches us about how close the Lord desires to fellowship with us? Does our way of celebrating the Lord’s Supper communicate that? Why or why not? Should the Lord’s Supper be restricted only to a church worship service setting?

Serving Assignments

Today [Please arrive by 9:15am for Nursery & Toddlers]

3 Year olds-A Anita/Jenni Wierenga, Ethan Wubs

3 Year olds-B Jody VanderStelt, Jody VanHoorn

4 Year olds Andrea DeVries, Nathan DenBak

5 Year olds Colleen Keizer, Kaitlyn Langendoen

6 Year olds Pete Wierenga, Angela Anjema

7 & 8 Year olds Mark Vahrmeyer, Lorraine Wierenga

Courtney Jen Kiers

Dylan Kelly Slappendel

Nursery Ans Roorda, Kaleigh Scholman, Richard VanLochem, Karina Wierenga

Toddlers Braden Marr, Daniel VanGeest, Aimie VanLochem

Ushers Dustin Vantwel, Kevin DeBoer

Coffee Servers Nate & Angela Anjema, Ken & Nell Overbeeke

Greeters Jerry Kiers, Ken & Nell Overbeeke, Harry & Sharon Hielema, Andrea Veldhuizen, Annie Vahrmeyer

Heart to Heart: Storytime: Lauren Dam, Karen Langendoen

Nursery: Sylvia Damm, Rita Forestell, Gwenda VandenBogert

Toddlers: Diane Dam, Tina Vahrmeyer

Next Sunday

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6 Year olds Sharon Hielema, Ray Wubs

7 & 8 Year olds Lisa Ormel, Joanne Benson

Courtney Anne-Marie Wubs

Dylan Sonya VanDriel

Nursery Laura Klapwyk, Kaitlyn Langendoen, Liz Nauta, Tawnya VanHoorn

Toddlers Colleen Slappendel, Steve VanLochem, Gabi VanSoelen

Ushers Chris Smit, Mary Bokma

Coffee Servers Devin Boverhof, Ryan VanLochem, Bert & Cynthia Nauta

Greeters Hans & Hilda Dam, Ans Roorda, Mark Vahrmeyer, Colin deRoos, Joanne Dam

Heart to Heart: Storytime: Lauren Dam

Nursery: Chris Smit, Hennie Vellenga, Rachel Scholman

Toddlers: Margaret DeVries, Caroline Janssens

If you are interested in serving please contact the office

Bethany Family Updates & Prayers

Birthdays this week

Diane Dam, Cadence Kiers, Alice Thies, Simon VanLochem, Landon Janssen, Grace Vander Been, Byron Garner, Ed Slappendel, Kevin Twomey, Derek Wierenga, Louis Dam, Paige DeBoer, Ina VanSoelen, Courtney Vahrmeyer, Mikayla Vahrmeyer, Arianna Veldhuizen

Anniversaries this week

Mike & Vicky DenBak

Prayers requested

- ❖ Pray for a blessing on the Pelham Syrian Refugee Sponsorship Initiative, that the Lord may guide our community to the persons/families of His choosing to support and help get settled in a new life here.
- ❖ **Peter Damm turned 80 this past week.** There is an Open House today from 2-5pm at the Fire Hall in Fenwick
- ❖ Pray for **Hermien Korten** remains in Port Colbourne hospital undergoing physical therapy. The Lord continues to grant her patience and peace in the process.
- ❖ **George Kowalski** is in Villa de Rose Retirement Residence (Room 418, 370 Hellems Ave, Welland). He will be there for a month or so until a long term care facility is available for him to move to. Pray for comfort and strength for George is facing these changes.
- ❖ Pray for **Noah & Malachi Damm** (children of Pete & Netty) who were both taken to St. Catharine’s Hospital this past week with respiratory illnesses. There is some infection and pneumonia involved. At the time of this writing, Noah has shown some improvement while Malachi continues to be pretty sick. Pray the Lord hold these little ones in His arms and bless them with healing. Pray also for strength for Peter & Netty and the rest of the family as they care for each other.
- ❖ Pray for **Lynn Dam** (sister-in-law to Hans) who is suffering from cancer that is worsening. Pray for healing mercies and grace and peace to endure for her and her family.
- ❖ Martha Sikkens’ niece, **Stacie Horinga** is suffering from cancer which has spread. Please keep this young woman and her family in your prayers for healing, courage and ongoing trust in the Lord.
- ❖ **Dalton Jacques** (Shelby Kremer’s brother) is nearing the end of his earthly journey because of his cancer. Pray for him, his family including Pat & Shelby as they walk this difficult journey. May the Lord of grace and mercy surround them with His love and peace.
- ❖ Pray for comfort for those who mourn to the one who is the Resurrection and the Life.

Need of support or want to talk to someone? Contact Pastor Colin 905-931-5841 or Joyce De Roo at 905-386-6719 or SHALEM network 866-347-0041 (mention Bethany CRC if you are a part of it).