

*Welcome to Bethany* This morning we celebrate the Lord's covenant of grace extended to us in the sacrament of baptism. Infants Fredrick D & Jed V are welcomed this morning into the fellowship as we witness the sign and seal of God's promises in Christ Jesus to all who believe. Kristy V also officially joins Bethany this morning through the re-affirmation of her faith in Christ. And this is good news indeed, especially as we explore in Genesis this morning the fall of humanity into sin and we acknowledge once again our need of God's forgiving grace.

#### 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 Bethany Kids/Jr. Cadets/Jr. GEMS program downstairs. Please sign in your child each Sunday if they are going to attend.

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

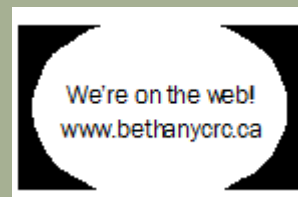
All are welcome to join afterwards for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

#### Why Are We Here?

Bethany ministry vision:

**Everyone Growing in Jesus!**

deep connecting—lifelong equipping—compassionate serving



## Ministries Bethany supports

**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.

**Regionally:** Brock University Chaplaincy (St. Catharines), Shalom Manor Chaplaincy (Grimsby), The Bridge church plant (Niagara Falls)

**Globally** Check out CRC ministry around the world at [www.crcna.org](http://www.crcna.org)

**Devon & Lerato Van Hoffen** in Africa. Email [devon@handsatwork.org](mailto:devon@handsatwork.org)

## Happening Today

**Worship Leaders** 8:30am – time of praise, prayer, & preparation

**Pre-service Prayer** 9:45am – Council & worship leaders (in Multi-use room)

**Nominations for Elders & Deacons:** --during the service

## Upcoming

**Next Sunday's offering: Teen Challenge**

**Next Sunday's Children's Song: none**

**Feb 11<sup>th</sup>:** Teen Challenge service **10:30 AM start time** & potluck afterwards (please sign up online at <https://mealtrain.com/vqoo3g>)

**Jan & Feb: please note worship services start at 10AM** (2 month trial)

## Get Equipped for Faith Life



**GEMS:** Meets Thursday evenings from 7-8:30pm for girls in grades 4-8. For more information, contact Cynthia: 905-892-2217 or email: [bnauta@cogeco.ca](mailto:bnauta@cogeco.ca)

**Theme Verse for 2017/2018** - "Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did (1 John 2:6)"



**Cadets:** Meets Thursday evenings from 7-8:30pm for boys in grades 4-8. For more information, contact Mike, email: [mikecdreyer@hotmail.com](mailto:mikecdreyer@hotmail.com) or cell: 289-687-3105

**Theme Verse for 2017 / 2018** - "For this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them." Ezekiel 34:11

**MERGE (youth group)** – for grades 9-12. Questions? Call Andrea 905-975-8484



**Men's Bible Study** – Tuesdays 6:00am (coffee provided!)

**Women's Coffee Break** – Tuesdays at Grace CRC 9:30am

**Heart to Heart (women)** – Fridays at 9:30am

**Women's Bible Study** –The Bethany Ladies Bible

Study meets at Bethany in the Fireside Room on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm. Questions? Contact Mary Bokma 905-892-0529.

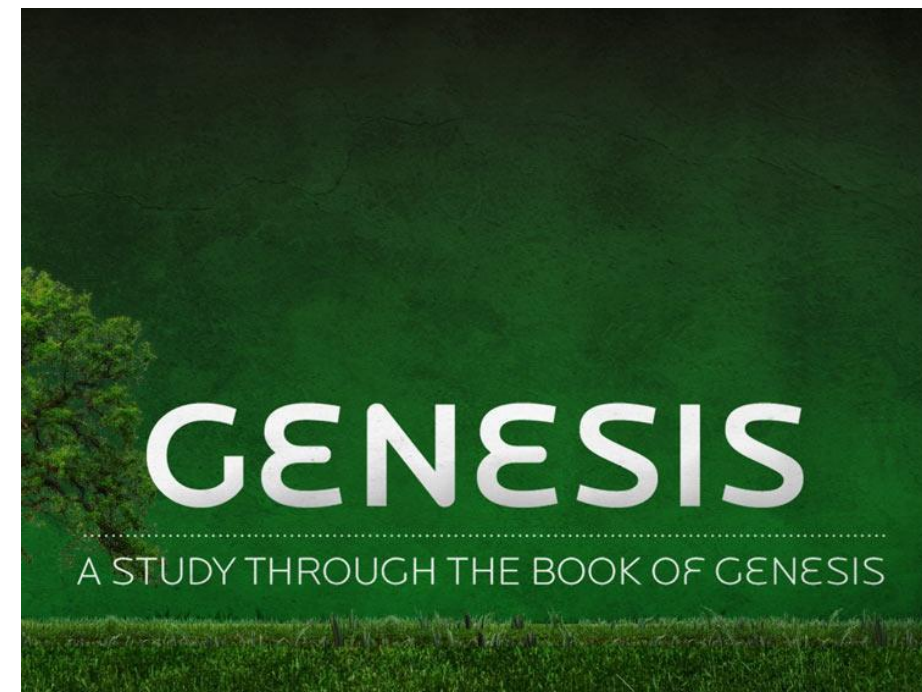


#### NIAGARA YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Meets once a month with the area CRC's taking turns hosting. We are studying the book by Francis Chan

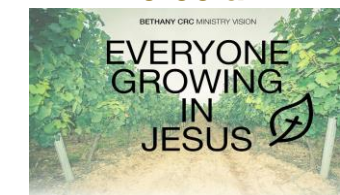
"Crazy Love". Questions? Contact Mary Bokma 905-892-0529.

# Welcome to Bethany!



## Bethany Christian Reformed Church

**February 4, 2018**  
**10:00 am**



**Deep connecting**  
**Lifelong equipping**  
**Compassionate serving**

## How to contact Bethany Church

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## Today in Worship



### The Lord Gathers Us

Welcome & Announcements

\*Opening Song

“Lift High the Name of Jesus”

\*God’s Word of greeting

\*Songs of Praise

“10,000 Reasons”

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

### The Lord Shows Us His Marvelous Grace

Baptism of Fredrick James D & Jed James Peter V

Song of Thankfulness

“Grace & Peace”

Gathered Family Prayer

Children’s Song of Thankfulness

“By Faith”

**(Bethany Kids ages 3-6 & Jr. GEMS/Cadets ages 7-8 are dismissed)**

Prayer for offering

Offerings: 1. Ministries here at Bethany & the CRCNA

2. Redeemer University College

### The Lord Leads Us by His Word & Spirit

Prayer of God’s people & for the proclamation of the Word

Bible reading – Genesis 3:1-7

Message title “The start of our sin.”

### The Lord Moves Us to Celebrate & Serve

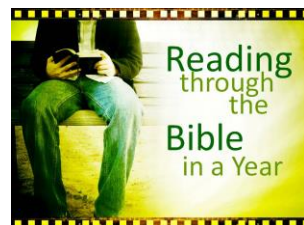
\*Song of Response

“When Peace Like a River” – PH489

\*God’s Word of Blessing

\*Closing song

“Salvation Belongs to Our God”



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Isaiah 34-36; Mark 9:1-29  
 Isaiah 37-38; Mark 9:30-50  
 Isaiah 39-40; Mark 10:1-31  
 Isaiah 41-42; Mark 10:32-52  
 Isaiah 43-44; Mark 11:1-18  
 Isaiah 45-46; Mark 11:19-33  
 Isaiah 47-49; Mark 12:1-27

## Sermon Discussion Questions

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1. Think about a time you sinned in a way that is quite clear to you now. If you are willing, share that event with one another. Can you see similar patterns to that choice to sin with what we read in Genesis 3 here?
2. What is it about the way we view life today in our culture that makes it difficult to accept that Adam & Eve’s sin is in fact what we share in today?
3. What is the attraction of being “like God knowing good and evil” for humanity?
4. Read James 1:1-18. Can you hear echoes of Genesis 3 in this passage? How so? How does this passage in James fit with Genesis 1-3?
5. Does James 1:12 have anything to do with Genesis 3? If Adam & Eve failed the test, how can it be possible for us to persevere?
6. How was Eve seduced by the idea that God was tempting her? How integral are lies to temptations?
7. How does the Fall into sin affect our view of humanity, and our compassion for others?

## Serving Assignments

**Today [Please arrive by 9:45am for Nursery & Toddlers]**

<b>Adventurers</b>	Jenni/Anita W, Lauren VH
<b>Travelers</b>	Kelly D, Austin O
<b>Discoverers</b>	Colleen K, Evan VH
<b>Explorers</b>	Clarence & Tracy VS, Cadence K
<b>Seekers</b>	Trevor VH, Julia G
<b>Jr. Cadets</b>	Lloyd W, Ryan VL
<b>Dylan</b>	Kevin T
<b>Jr. GEMS</b>	Jenny D, Annie V
<b>Autism Support Person</b>	Morgan G (Aimie VL)
<b>Nursery</b>	Stephanie B, Riley K, Sandra S, Emily B
<b>Toddlers</b>	Rob B, Alex W, Shawn M
<b>Ushers</b>	Brian P, Scott VD
<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Ben & Joanne B, Karen B
<b>Greeters</b>	Jerry & Jen K, Epp D, Vicky D
<b>Sunday School Sign In:</b>	Bill & Tina V

**Next Sunday [Please arrive by 9:45am for Nursery & Toddlers]**

<b>Adventurers</b>	Jenni/Anita W, Jessica O
<b>Travelers</b>	Kelly D, Austin O
<b>Discoverers</b>	Colleen K, Evan VH
<b>Explorers</b>	Mark & Wendy V, Cadence K
<b>Seekers</b>	Jerry & Jen K
<b>Jr. Cadets</b>	Chris J, Lloyd W
<b>Dylan</b>	Jacqueline S
<b>Jr. GEMS</b>	Rosie E, Jenny D
<b>Autism Support Person</b>	Aimie VL (Vicky D)
<b>Nursery</b>	Diane D, Betty G, Scott VD, Naomi S
<b>Toddlers</b>	Kurtis/Glenda B, Mike D, Noah P
<b>Ushers</b>	Byron G, Louie D
<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Karl & Annie V, JJ & Colleen K
<b>Greeters</b>	Anita W, Kurtis B, Andria B, Andy VD
<b>Sunday School Sign In:</b>	Frank D
<b>Heat to Heart: Nursery:</b>	Diane D, Marlene M
<b>Toddler 1:</b>	Marijke VD, Ans R
<b>Toddler 2:</b>	Rita F, Wendy V
<b>Rover:</b>	Grace V, Nellie S

## Bethany Congregation Updates & Prayers

### Birthdays this week

Kathleen VH (4<sup>th</sup>), Marco R(5<sup>th</sup>), Gus V (5<sup>th</sup>), Mike D (6<sup>th</sup>), Darren V (6<sup>th</sup>), Tyson V (6<sup>th</sup>), Cynthia V (6<sup>th</sup>), Glenda B (8<sup>th</sup>), Bryan D (8<sup>th</sup>), Riet S (8<sup>th</sup>), Bernice S (8<sup>th</sup>), Jayce D (9<sup>th</sup>), Mackenzie K (9<sup>th</sup>)

### Anniversaries this week

None this week

### Prayers requested

- ❖ Pray for a blessing on the selection process for new elders and deacons here in Bethany. May the Lord grant us discernment of His calling in others’ lives.
- ❖ There is a severe outbreak of the H2N3 influenza virus going on in North America. Pray for protection especially for those who are particularly vulnerable to it, for children and elderly and anyone with other complicating health challenges. Pray for healing.
- ❖ Continue to pray for **Devon & Lerato VH** as Lerato’s travel visa process suffered a setback and further delay. Pray for patience for them and their families. Pray that the Lord will open a way for her to come here very soon.
- ❖ **From Scott and Sonya V:** “We would like to extend a huge thank you to the Life group and all of their wonderful helpers that put on the soup/chilli dinner fundraiser on our behalf!!! The money raised will be a huge help towards our upcoming expenses for Dylan’s surgery and rehab stay in Toronto!! Thank you to everyone who came out to support us, it was wonderful to see so many people there having a good time and enjoying the food!! From the bottom of our hearts we thank you, and we thank the Lord (all the time!) for the loving church community we have here!!”

- **Need of support or want to talk to someone?**
- **Contact Pastor Colin 905-931-5841 or Joyce De Roo at 905-386-6719.**
- **Confidential counselling services Bethany supports:**
- **SHALEM network 866-347-0041 & Elisha House Ministries 905-735-9934.** (mention if you are member/regular attender of Bethany)

