

## Welcome to Bethany

This morning we continue our sermon series on the book of Genesis. The account of God's creating work assures us of His loving kindness toward all he has made. And even though humanity in Adam & Eve rebelled against Creator, in Christ Jesus, we are brought back into His love through repentance and faith worked in us by the Holy Spirit. This morning we also receive as new members, **Brandon B and Marco R** who will affirm their faith and commitment to the Lord and His Church here in Bethany. This is part of the story of God's grace in this world. Praise our Redeemer Creator God.

### 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.

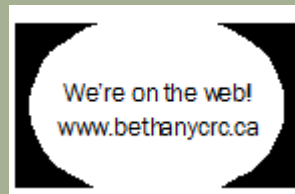
All are welcome to join afterwards for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

### Why Are We Here?

Bethany ministry vision:

**Everyone Growing in Jesus!**

deep connecting—lifelong equipping—compassionate serving



## How to contact Bethany Church

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## 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)

## Upcoming

**Next Sunday's offering: Shalom Manor**

**Next Sunday's Children's Song: "King of Kings and Lord of Lords"**

**Next Sunday: Celebration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper!**

**Jan 15<sup>th</sup>** Elders meeting 7:30pm

**Jan 26<sup>th</sup>** Soup/Chilli Fundraiser for the VD family

**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: [mikedreyer@hotmail.com](mailto:mikedreyer@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** – Meets at Bethany in the Fireside

Room every Tuesday night 7 o'clock. Our next meeting: January 30th, 2018

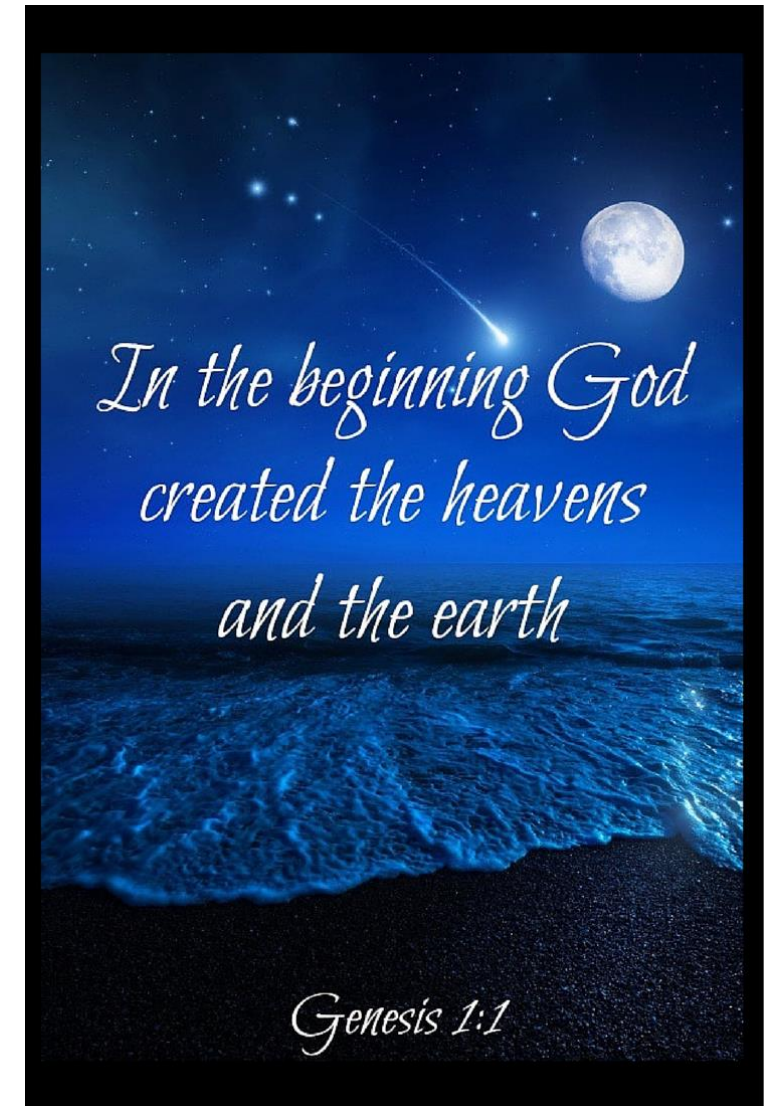


### NIAGARA YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

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.

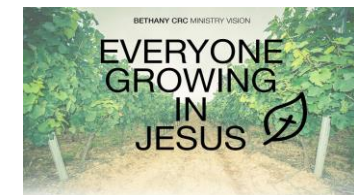
**Hands at Work Mission Trip** – We still have a few spots open if this interests you/believe God is calling you. We will be Zambia Aug.25-Sept.7. Please contact Tim or Kathleen VanHoffen if interested (905-658-8137).

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## Bethany Christian Reformed Church

**January 14, 2018**  
**10:00 am**



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

## Today in Worship



### The Lord Gathers Us

Welcome & Announcements

Call to worship – Psalm 104:1-5, 31-34

\*Opening Song

“O Worship the King” – PH428:1,3,4

\*God’s Word of greeting

\*Songs of Praise

“Across the Lands”

“This is My Father’s World” – LUYH21

### The Lord Shows Us His Marvelous Grace

Prayer of Confession

God’s Word of Assurance – Ephesians 2:1-10

Song of Response

“Your Name is Matchless”

God’s Call to Faithful Living

Re-Affirmation of Faith of Brandon B & Marco R

Children’s Song of Thankfulness

“The Butterfly Song”

**(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. World Renew

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

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

Bible reading – Genesis 1:1-31

Message title “God’s Beautiful Word of Order from Chaos”

### The Lord Moves Us to Celebrate & Serve

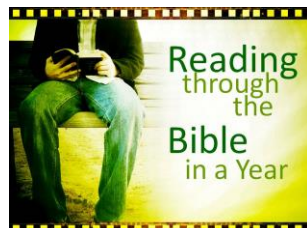
\*Song of Response

“All Creatures of Our God & King”

\*God’s Word of Blessing

\*Closing song

“Behold Our God”



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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> January 15	Genesis 36-38; Romans 12
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> January 18	Genesis 43-45; Romans 15:1-13
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## Sermon Notes

### Serving Assignments

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

<b>Adventurers</b>	Vicky D, Austin O
<b>Travelers</b>	Jody V, Nathan D
<b>Discoverers</b>	Becky VL, Jody VH
<b>Explorers</b>	Christine VG, Kristina B, helper
<b>Seekers</b>	Jerry & Jen K
<b>Jr. Cadets</b>	Richard VL, Mike B
<b>Dylan</b>	Karissa V
<b>Jr. GEMS</b>	Annie V, Sonya VD
<b>Autism Support Person</b>	Karen B (Deb P)
<b>Nursery</b>	Deb B, Shelby K, Anita V, Emma W
<b>Toddlers</b>	Kurtis/Glenda B, John E, Karson V
<b>Ushers</b>	Byron G, Louie D
<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Nathan & Laura J, Mark & Wendy V
<b>Greeters</b>	Anita W, Kurtis B, Andria B, Andy VD
<b>Sunday School Sign In:</b>	Frank D

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<b>Adventurers</b>	Vicky D, Austin O
<b>Travelers</b>	Jody V, Nathan D
<b>Discoverers</b>	Becky VL, Jessica O
<b>Explorers</b>	Lisa O, Joanne B
<b>Seekers</b>	Sierra K, Karen V, Kylar G
<b>Jr. Cadets</b>	Dan VG, Mike B
<b>Dylan</b>	Betty T
<b>Jr. GEMS</b>	Erica G, Annie V
<b>Autism Support Person</b>	Deb P (Cassidy K)
<b>Nursery</b>	Jessica, Colleen S, Chloe L, Avery W
<b>Toddlers</b>	Pat K, Julianne M, Ayden G
<b>Ushers</b>	Dustin V, Kevin D
<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Nate & Tanya L, Bill & Tina V
<b>Greeters</b>	Ken & Nell O, Harry & Sharon H, Andrea V, Annie V
<b>Sunday School Sign In:</b>	Pete & Denise G
<b>Heat to Heart: Nursery:</b>	Hennie V, Sylvia D
<b>Toddler 1:</b>	Chris S, Tina V
<b>Toddler 2:</b>	Colleen S, Hilda D
<b>Rover:</b>	Nellie S, Grace V

## Bethany Congregation Updates & Prayers

### Birthdays this week

Nathan J (14<sup>th</sup>), Shelby K (15<sup>th</sup>), Don T (15<sup>th</sup>), Brian W (15<sup>th</sup>), Evert P (16<sup>th</sup>), Joyce D (17<sup>th</sup>), Barb J (17<sup>th</sup>), Mike K (17<sup>th</sup>), Bert N (17<sup>th</sup>), Steve VL (17<sup>th</sup>), Emily V (18<sup>th</sup>), Allison VL (18<sup>th</sup>), Karl V (19<sup>th</sup>), Spencer VL (20<sup>th</sup>), Lloyd W (20<sup>th</sup>)

### Anniversaries this week

Gerry & Cynthia V (17<sup>th</sup>)

### Prayers requested

- ❖ **The Canadian government** has added to the Summer Jobs Canada subsidy program the requirement of signing off on an attestation of Canadian Human Rights in order to qualify for funding. The Ministry of Employment office has added to that their interpretation of what those rights mean and they are fairly clearly against any pro-life stance on abortion among other things. Christian churches like Bethany, many non-profit organizations, as well as many employers, who have used this program to support hiring students for summer jobs are now required to agree to the present federal government’s interpretation of Canadian Human Rights in order to access funding that all Canadian tax payers pay into with their taxes. This is being responded to by a groundswell of organizations and business this affects. Bethany Council also is in the process of drafting a response to attach to our yearly application for funding for our Summer Day Camp workers that we hire. Please pray for listening ears in the government and for gracious and clear communications from all those responding to this development. Pray for Christian leaders in our land to use their roles and voices with boldness to call the government to account for this discriminatory action.
- ❖ Keep in prayer **Devon & Lerato VH** as they continue to work on Lerato being able to travel to Canada and re-join her husband.
- ❖ **Anita V’s father, John R** (of Abbotsford BC) was admitted to hospital again with a recurrence of illness. He is stable and being treated for his infections. Pray for healing and peace for him and the family.
- ❖ **Nell O** is laying low right now resting at home and in the process of more tests and medical appointments. Pray for continued strengthening for her. Please call before any visiting.
- ❖ **Dylan V**, 6yr old son of **Scott & Sonya**, was unable to undergo his surgery at this time because he was not feeling well. It has been postponed to sometime in March/April. Pray for patience for the family as they wait for the new surgery date and for continued protection and good health for little Dylan.
- **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)