

Welcome!

This morning we welcome our CRC Brock Campus Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. Andre Basson to the pulpit. May God the Father through Christ Jesus be praised this morning and His people empowered to serve Him through His Holy Spirit's presence.

Pastor Colin is away today on a Classis (regional church body) appointment to preach in Fruitland CRC, Stoney Creek.

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.

Why Are We Here?

VISION STATEMENT

We are a God Honouring Community Witnessing for Christ!



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

Connecting

Administrator Denise Glasbergen	905-892-8980 info@bethanycrc.ca
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Youth Director Andrea Veldhuizen	905-975-8484 [call/text] andrea@bethanycrc.ca
Children's Ministry Lorraine Wierenga	289-897-8963 lorraine@bethanycrc.ca
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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.

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

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)

TONIGHT @ 7pm at Riverside CRC (74094 Wellandport Rd.)

Konnect 20 (Young Adult Ministry)

Bethany's Konnect 20 and three neighboring Christian Reformed Churches from Wellandport, Smithville and Welland are having a combined Young Adults get-together. Everyone is welcome! If you are attending you are encouraged to bring some "finger food" to share. Come on out for an evening of fellowship and conversation.

Upcoming

Next Week's offering: World Renew

Wednesday January 11th Congregational Meeting 7:30 PM at the church

Sunday January 15th Reflections Bible Study will be meeting on Jan. 15 @ 7:30 at the home of Bill and Ann V. We will be study lesson 2 of "Evangelism without Additives. New members always welcome!

Get Equipped for Faith Life



GEMS: 2016-2017 Theme: 1 Thess.3:12 "Love Overflows"

Meets every Thursday evening from 7-9pm for girls in grades 4-8 from September to April. For more information, contact Diana cell: 289-696-5567 or email: dj.diana.slappendel@gmail.com



Cadets: 2016-2017 Theme: Hebrews 12:1-2 "Get In The Game"

Meets every Thursday evening from 7-9 for boys in grades 4-8 from September to April. For more information, contact Mike D, email: mikedreyer@hotmail.com or cell: 289-687-3105



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) - call Mary 905-892-0529

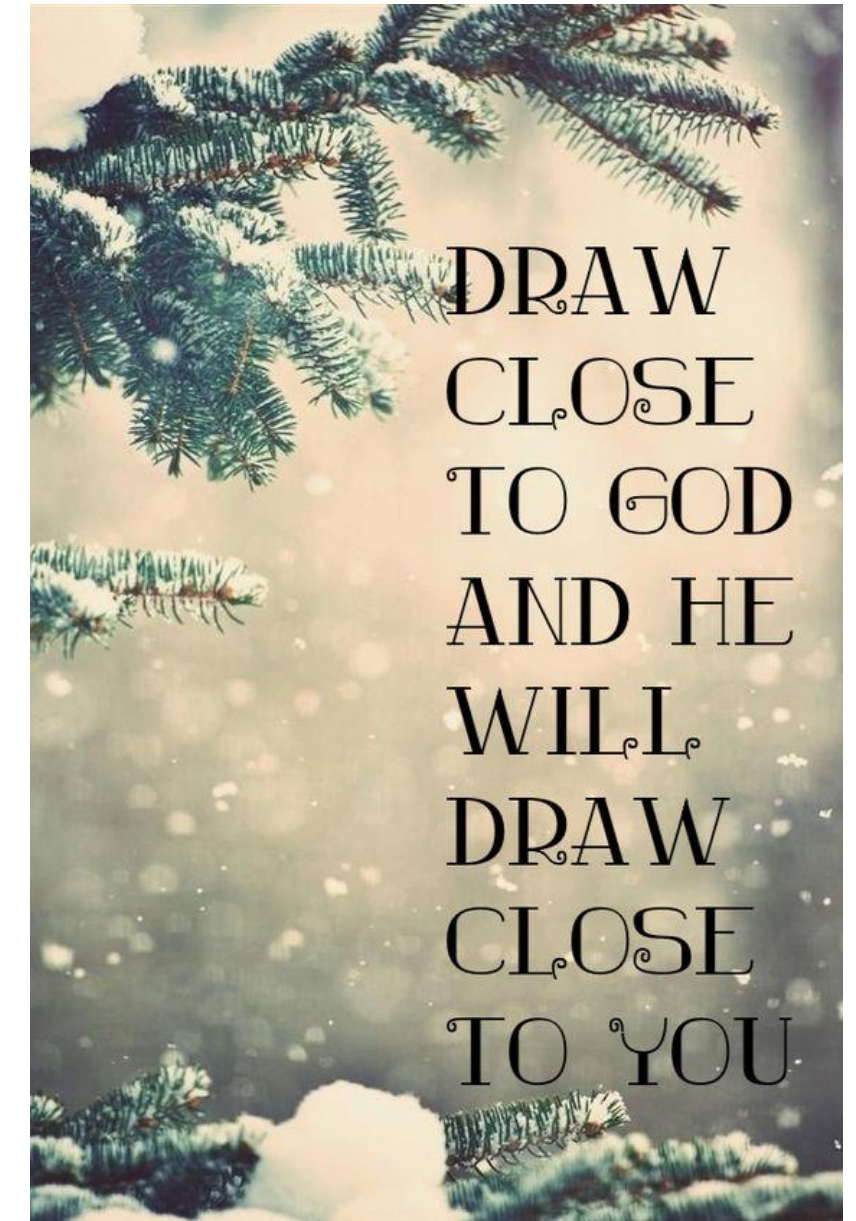
Faith Instruction – Tuesdays 7:00pm for grades 9-12

MERGE (youth group) – for grades 9-12. Meets tonight from 7:00-9:00pm at Bethany

Bethany Ladies Bible Study – Wednesday evenings at Cynthia V's house at 7:00pm

Please note, the weekly newsletter "Bethany Bugle" is being emailed weekly. If you are not receiving it via email, please contact the office with a correct email. If you prefer a hard copy, a few extra copies are available in the fellowship hall.

Welcome to Worship at Bethany!



Bethany Christian Reformed Church

January 8, 2017
9:30am

Today in Worship



The Lord Gathers Us

Welcome & announcements

- *Call to Worship
- *Opening Songs "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"
- *God's Word of greeting
- *Song of Praise
"Great is the Lord Our God" – PH48:1,3,5
"The Lord is Our Salvation"

The Lord Shows Us His Grace

Prayer of Confession

God's Word of Assurance

Song of Response

"Not What My Hands Have Done"- PH260

God's Call to Faithful Living

Children's Song of Thankfulness

"When I Am Afraid"

(Bethany Kids ages 3-8 invited downstairs for Sunday school in fireside room)

Prayer & Offerings

1. Ministries here at Bethany & the CRCNA
2. Deacons

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

The Lord Speaks to Us through His Word

Bible reading – Mark 1:9-15 (p 871)

Message - "The Other Christmas Story"

Prayer of blessing on the message

The Lord Sends Us Out to Celebrate & Serve

- *Song of Response
"Now with Joyful Exultation" – PH95
- *God's Word of blessing
- *Closing Song
"Lift High the Name of Jesus"

Sermon Notes

Serving Assignments

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

3 Year olds	Steph B, Cadence K
4 Year Olds	Andria S, Connor D, Evan V
5 Year Olds	Becky V, Emma W
6 Year Olds	Cynthia N, Sharon H
7&8 Year Olds	Bill T, Kristina B
Autism Support Person:	Annie V (Aimie V)
Dylan	Karissa V
Nursery	Nell O, Elaine V, Teryl D, Jessica O
Toddlers	Sandra S, Ralph T, Jesse V
Ushers	Byron G
Coffee Servers	Chris S, Brian & Debbie P
Greeters	Anita W, Bas & Trudy S, Kurtis B, Andria S, Andy V

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Dylan	Sonya V
Nursery	Christine V, Jenny D, Julia G, Lauren V
Toddlers	Ethan V, Zach B, Deb Geerlinks
Ushers	Dustin V, Kevin D
Coffee Servers	Nathan & Laura J, Bill & Tina V
Greeters	Jerry K, Ken & Nell O, Harry & Sharon H, Andrea V, Annie V

Heart to Heart Nursery: Colleen S, Nellie P, Hennie V

Toddlers#1: Sharon H, Marijke V

Toddlers#2: Marlene M, Tena E

Rover: Nellie S

Bethany Church Updates & Prayers

Birthdays this week

Matt D, Allie D, Jessica D, Elaine V, Pete D, Nathan J

Anniversaries this week

None this week.

New Babies!

Brian & Karina W were blessed with the birth of twins. Born Thursday January 5 were **Sophia Lorraine** at 4lbs and **Clark Darren** at 6lbs 2oz. Mom and the little ones are doing well. The twins are being monitored closely for the time being because of their early birth and small size etc. Praise the Lord for His gracious gifts.

Prayers requested

- ❖ Pray for a blessing on the marriage yesterday of **Brandon & Andria B (nee S)** as they begin their new life as husband and wife. Their new address is: *1010 Canboro Rd. Fenwick LOS 1CO His: 905-932-3574 Hers: 289-687-3024*
- ❖ Pray for the Spirit's guidance for this Wednesday's congregational meeting that the Lord will guide us as we deliberate.
- ❖ Give thanks to the Lord with the congregation of Grace CRC, Welland that **Rev. Mike Vandyk** of Lacombe CRC (AB) has accepted the call to serve as their new pastor. Pastor Mike previously served CRC's in Dunnville and in Taber (AB).
- ❖ **Bertha B** continues to undergo chemo treatments. She is doing fairly well through the treatments. Pray for patience for the long road ahead and for this to be a healing path.
- ❖ **Catherine S** (Grace V's siter-in-law) was admitted to hospital in a weakened condition as the cancer continues to progress. Pray for the Lord to uphold her and Simon and their family. Grace & Anno's son-in-law **Troy A** (Heidi) has a second MRI that showed the tumor is still dormant which is good news. Chemo will be stopped for a few months to see how things go. Pray for healing for Troy as well.
- ❖ Pray for **Cyrus H** (his wife Erica is one of Bethany's Heart to Heart leaders) has made some progress in recovery. He remains very weak in hospital but is responsive and slowly improving. Join Erica and the children in praising the Lord for encouraging answers to prayer and for continued recovery for Cyrus.
- ❖ **From Shalom Manor** - We wanted to notify our partnering community with the news that we are experiencing a respiratory outbreak. We are asking that visitors who are feeling unwell or who have been unwell to **NOT** visit until they have been symptom free. If you do visit, please visit with only one resident and remember to disinfect your hands as you enter and exit Shalom (and in-between as well). We ask that you keep our residents in your prayers that they may return to better health and that the facility may soon return to a full schedule.

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 (mention if you are member/regular attender of Bethany) & **Elisha House Ministries 905-735-9934**.

BIBLE
Reading Plan

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> January 8	Genesis 1-3; Romans 1
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