

# Welcome!

This is our 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, Palm Sunday. Before Christ's suffering, the people of God had specific and urgent expectations for the coming Messiah. There was a lot of misery and suffering under Roman oppression and many of their own religious leaders preyed on the poor and weak. There are still empires today that seek to overshadow the rule of the King of kings. And religion still has a bad name for many in our culture, with some good reason too. May we humble ourselves, and our expectations under the Lordship of the King who has come.

## Visitors/Guests Notes

### 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](http://www.bethanycrc.ca)

## 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](http://www.crcna.org)

Devon Van Hoffen serving in Africa. Email Devon at [devon@handsatwork.org](mailto:devon@handsatwork.org)

Follow Devon on his blog at [www.devonvanhoffen.wordpress.com](http://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 7:30pm at Tim & Marlene Medhurst (6 Mayfair Avenue, Fonthill, phone 289-897-8875)

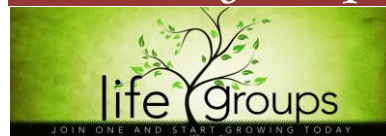
## Upcoming

**Good Friday Service:** 6:00pm—includes the celebration of the Lord's Supper

**Good Friday's offering:** Deacons

**Next Sunday offering:** Deacons

## Get Equipped for Faith Life



### 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 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month



### Faith Instruction (Catechism) every

Tuesday at 7:00pm @ the church for grades 9-12. (not during Spring Break)

### MERGE (youth group) meets

Meets every other Sunday from 7-9 for grades 9-12 at church.



**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](mailto:dj.diana.slappendel@gmail.com)

**CADETS: 2015-2016 Theme:**

**Matthew 4:19**

**"Hooked on Christ"**

Meets every Thursday evening from 7-9pm for

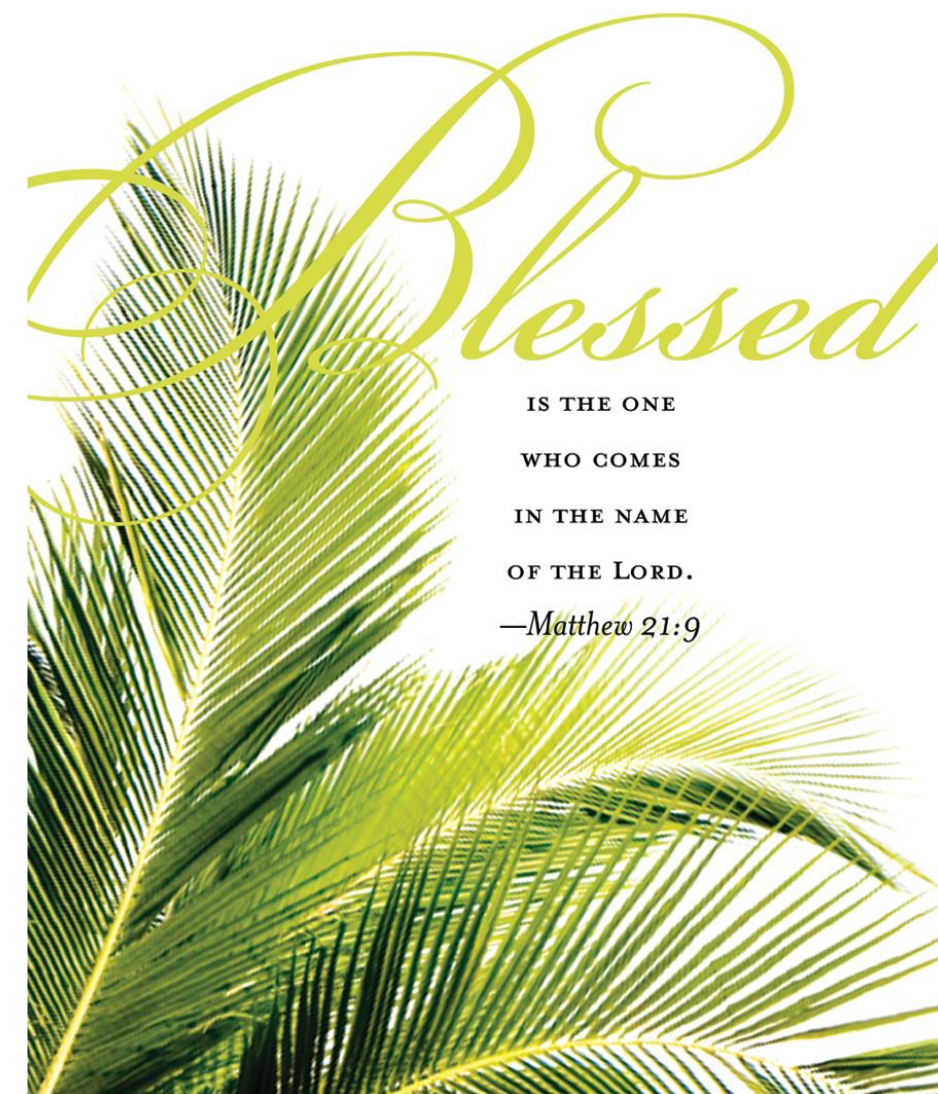
boys in grades 4-8 from

Sept.-Apr. For more information

contact: Mike Klapwyk 905-892-3036

# Welcome to Bethany!

Let us rejoice in the Lord together!



## Connecting

**Church Office** Denise Glasbergen 905-892-8980  
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[andrea@bethanycrc.ca](mailto:andrea@bethanycrc.ca)

**Children's Ministry** Lorraine Wierenga 905-892-6961  
[lorraine@bethanycrc.ca](mailto:lorraine@bethanycrc.ca)

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

**Bethany Christian Reformed Church**

March 20, 2016  
9:30am



## Today in Worship



### The Lord Gathers Us

Welcome

Call to worship: Psalm 118:19-29

\*Opening song

“Come Praise & Glorify”

\*God’s Word of greeting

\*Song of Praise

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

### The Lord Shows Us His Grace

Prayer of Confession

Song of response

“Show Us Christ”

God’s Words of Assurance

Song of Response

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

God’s Call to faithful living

Children’s Song of thankfulness

“Ho, Ho, Ho Hosanna”

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

Prayer & Offerings

1. Ministries here at Bethany & the CRCNA
2. World Renew

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

### The Lord Speaks to Us through His Word

Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11 (p. 859) & Luke 24:19-21 (p. 923)

Message: “Lent 6 – Palm Sunday expectations”

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

“I Will Follow”



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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> March 21 | Job 22-24; 1 Corinthians 8        |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> March 23 | Job 28-29; 1 Corinthians 10:1-18  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> March 24 | Job 30-31; 1 Corinthians 10:19-33 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> March 25 | Job 32-33; 1 Corinthians 11:1-16  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> March 26 | Job 34-35; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34 |

## 1235 Sermon notes

1. If you could ask anything of the Lord right now, and He would do exactly what you asked, what would you ask Him for?
2. What things do you long to see change in your family, in your church, in our towns, on a global scale?
3. Read Zechariah 9:9-13 ... was it wrong for the people going with Jesus to Jerusalem to place these expectations on Him?
4. What do we most often pray for when people are ill or in difficulty? What else could we pray for in such situations that would reflect the hiddenness and way of suffering that is the Kingdom of God come to us?
5. Do you think the western church longs for the return of the King as much as the church in the Middle East right now? What keeps the second coming of the Lord on the back burner for much of North American Christianity?
6. Why did both Zechariah prophecy and Jesus also send for, a *donkey* to ride on as he entered Jerusalem? What does this say about the kind of King Jesus is?
7. As servants of this kind of King, what does this mean for how we are to share the good news of the Kingdom of God? How do we share it? Who do we share it with? What else about how Jesus carried out His ministry should be mirrored in us as His Body on earth today?

## Serving Assignments

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

**3 Year olds-A** Wendy Vahrmeyer, Lauren VanHuizen, Haley Glasbergen

**3 Year olds-B** Christine VanGeest, Connor DenBak

**4 Year olds** Ann Kiers, Jesse VanHoorn

**5 Year olds** Jen/Kevin DeBoer, Gabi VanSoelen

**6 Year olds** Pete Wierenga, Angela Anjema

**7 & 8 Year olds** Mark Vahrmeyer, Lorraine Wierenga

**Courtney** Riley Kremer

**Dylan** Kelly Slappendel

**Nursery** Kathy VanHoffen, Brenda Boverhof, Brittany Dykstra, Jessica Ormel

**Toddlers** Julienne Marr, Anne-Marie Wubs, Madison Lapenna Wierenga

**Ushers** Dustin Vantwel, Kevin DeBoer

**Coffee Servers** Ryan & Andrea Veldhuizen, Karissa & Dustin Vantwel

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

**Good Friday**

**Nursery** Jesse VanHoorn, Tawny VanHoorn, Liz Johnston

**Toddlers** Karson Vahrmeyer, Jessica Dryer, Chris Jorritsma

**Next Sunday**

**3 Year olds-A** Wendy Vahrmeyer, Lauren VanHuizen, Haley Glasbergen

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**4 Year olds** Ann Kiers, Jesse VanHoorn

**5 Year olds** Jen/Kevin DeBoer, Gabi VanSoelen

**6 Year olds** Sharon Hielema, Ray Wubs

**7 & 8 Year olds** Lisa Ormel, Joanne Benson

**Courtney** Rita Forestell

**Dylan** Chris Smit

**Nursery** Tanya Lane, Jody VanHoorn, Karina Wierenga, Ella Nauta

**Toddlers** Jeff VanderStelt, Evan VanHuizen, Laura Klapwyk

**Ushers** Chris Smit, Mary Bokma

**Coffee Servers** Brian & Karina Wierenga, Henry & Barb Janssen

**Greeters** Cor & Ina VanSoelen, Hans & Hilda Dam, Ans Roorda, Mark Vahrmeyer, Colin de Roos, Joanne Dam

**If you are interested in serving please contact the office**

## Bethany Family Updates & Prayers

### Birthdays this week

Chloe Lapenna, George DeRoo, George Gritter, Nick Janssen, Jakob Keizer, Hank Bosgraaf, Bill VanGeest, Charlie VanderStelt

### Anniversaries this week

Mike & Jessica Dreyer

### Prayers requested

- ❖ Thank the Lord for the support raised so far for the **Pelham Syrian Refugee Sponsorship Initiative**. Over \$5300 was collected so far from Bethany congregation. Praise the Lord!
- ❖ Pray for safe travels for the **Smithville Christian Highschool group** that is still in Africa. They are on a service/learning trip and will be returning this week. May the Lord watch over them and make them a blessing in the places they go.
- ❖ Pray for **Lynn Dam** (sister-in-law to Hans, Frank & Louis) and **Stacie Horinga** (Martha Sikkens’ niece), and **Tim Robson** (Mike’s dad) who are all struggling with cancer. Pray for a measure of healing for them. May the peace of the Risen Lord surround them and their families in this difficult time.
- ❖ Pray for comfort for **Shelby & Pat Kremer** in the recent death of Shelby’s brother **Dalton Jacques** at 15 years of age after a battle with cancer. The funeral service was held this past week. Pray for the Lord’s comfort for parents and the rest of the family and friends as they mourn.
- ❖ Pray for the Lord’s comfort & strength for **Ray & Nicole VanHuizen** and their family as they mourn the loss of Ray’s brother in law, **Ben Luttjeboer**. Pray for wife Roberta and their four children and families as they grieve. The funeral was held this past Friday in Bellville.
- ❖ Pray for family & friends of **Gail MacLaurin**, previous Executive Director of Elisha House who entered in the presence of the Lord this past Thursday after a short battle with her illness. We rejoice in the Lord Jesus, who conquered death and gives the assurance of eternal life. “Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.” (Ps.116:15).

*Need of support or want to talk to someone?*

*Contact Pastor Colin 905-931-5841 or Joyce De Roo at 905-386-6719*

*or confidential counselling services Bethany supports: SHALEM network 866-347-0041 (mention if you are member/regular attender of Bethany) or Elisha House Ministries 905-735-9934.*