

Welcome!

After a bit of a hiatus, we return this morning for our last installment of the gospel as summarised in the Nicene Creed. We worship the Risen Lord Jesus Christ, whose resurrection from the dead opens the way for us to live a foretaste of this very life today and in full in the world to come after Jesus returns. Let us celebrate God's love in Christ with hearts of thankfulness for His amazing grace.

Pastor Colin.

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



Connecting

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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.

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)

Upcoming

Next Sunday offering: Smithville Christian High School

Next Sunday: Baptism of Taylor Adrianna J (daughter of Chris & Kaitlyn)

May 30th – Elders meeting at 7:30pm

June 1st – Congregational meeting at 7:30pm

June 19—Election of new Elders & Deacons

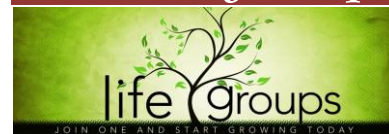
Nominated for elder (3 needed):

Hilbert B, Rob B, Harry H, Ed R

Nominated for deacon (2 needed):

Frank D, Bert N, Jim S, Gerry V

Get Equipped for Faith Life



Men's Bible Study

6:00am Tuesday mornings
(will resume in Sept.2016)

Women's Coffee Break

9:30am Tues at Grace CRC
(will resume in Sept.2016)

Heart to Heart (Women)

9:30am every Friday
(will resume in Sept.2016)
For summer, we will meet at
Centennial park in Fenwick

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



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 K 905-892-3036



Faith Instruction (Catechism) for
grades 9-12. (will resume in Sept.)
MERGE (youth group) meets
Meets every other Sunday from 7-9
for grades 9-12 at church.

Welcome to Bethany!

Let us rejoice in the Lord together!



Bethany Christian Reformed Church

May 29, 2016

9:30am

Today in Worship



The Lord Gathers Us

Welcome

Call to Worship: Psalm 33:1-5, 20-22 (p. 485)

*Opening Songs

“My Hope is Built/The Solid Rock”

*God’s Word of greeting

*Songs of Praise “This is Our God” & “I Will Rise”

The Lord Shows Us His Grace

Prayer of Confession

Song: “Lead Me, Guide Me” – PH544

God’s Word of Assurance: 1Thessalonians 4:13 – 5:11 (p. 1036)

Song of Response

“What a Saviour”

God’s Call to response: Romans 12 (p. 989)

Children’s Song of Thankfulness: “I’ve Got the Joy”

(Bethany Kids ages 3-8 invited downstairs for Sunday School)

Prayer & Offerings

1. Ministries here at Bethany & the CRCNA
2. Family Outreach

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

The Lord Speaks to Us through His Word

Bible reading: 1 Corinthians 15:50-58

*Recite together: Nicene Creed (PH p. 814)

Message: “Living the Future”

Prayer of blessing on the message

The Lord Sends Us Out to Celebrate & Serve

Nursery parents retrieve their children for church group photo

*Song of Response

“By the Sea of Crystal” – PH620:1,2

*God’s Word of blessing

*Closing Song

“By the Sea of Crystal” – PH620:3

Stay for church group photo!!

Sermon discussion questions

1. How does 1Cor. 15:50 affect our view of the trials of life? Think of specific things you might be facing this week.
2. The quote in vs 55 is from Hosea 13:14. In reading Hosea 13, what is striking about these verses being where they are in Hosea? How does that fit with 1Cor 15’s context (see vs 55-57)? Where was ancient Israel’s (called Ephraim) hope of salvation to be found?
3. It seems the church in North America has been permanently sidelined from society. Why should we heed the call of vs 58? Is this just about life after death or is this also about life in this world, in this society today?
4. What was the biggest thing or event in your life that you ever looked forward or are looking forward to? How does looking forward to that affect your days up until that point, what you do and how you act and so forth?
5. What is the scope of the impact of “we look forward to the resurrection of the body and to life in the world to come”? Talk about what this might mean for different aspects of your life (be as specific as you can).

Serving Assignments

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

Next Sunday

3 Year olds-A Brenda B, Haley G

3 Year olds-B Julia G, Lauren V

4 Year olds Andrea D, Cassidy K

5 Year olds Emily V, Jesse V

6 Year olds Andy V, Deb P

7 & 8 Year olds Ray V, Wendy K

Autism Support Person: Jen K (Riley K)

Dylan Bernice S

Nursery Liz N, Jessica O, Kaitlyn J, Karen V

Toddlers Mike K, Noah V, Zach B

Ushers Dustin V, Scott V

Coffee Servers Frank & Mary B, Bill & Alice T

Greeters Pete & Karen V, Rudy & Deb B, James V, Emily V

Next Sunday

3 Year olds-A Grace V, Jody V

3 Year olds-B Karen B

4 Year olds Aimie V, Kean V

5 Year olds Stephanie B, Josh d

6 Year olds Diana S, Morgan G

7 & 8 Year olds Jen K, Andria S

Autism Support Person: Riley K (Anita W)

Dylan Jacqueline S

Nursery Jessica D, Heidi T, Teryl D, Liz J

Toddlers Rob B, Deb P, Nathan D

Ushers Brian P, Scott V

Coffee Servers Scott & Sonya V, Mike & Holly R

Greeters John L, Epp D, Vicky D, Nellie S

If you are interested in serving please contact the office

Bethany Family Updates & Prayers

Birthdays this week

Colton P, Jeff V, Marika V, Kari-Ann B, Connor D, Tyler F, Nell O, Olu K, Luke S, Karissa V, Pete V, Joanne Z, Trudy S

Anniversaries this week

Matt & Kelly D, Jerry & Jen K

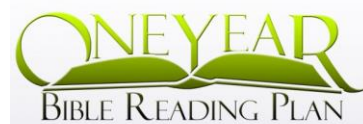
Prayers requested

- ❖ Yesterday, **Jeff & Kyleigh D** were united in marriage. May the Lord bless them richly as they grow in life together as husband and wife before their Lord and Saviour.
- ❖ Pray for the **congregational meeting** this Wednesday, for a spirit of unity among ourselves as we seek to serve the Lord as He would have us serve. Pray also for discernment in our **upcoming voting** on new elders and deacons (see “*Upcoming*” section of this bulletin)
- ❖ Pray for the **drought crisis in East Africa**. This year Hands at Work faces an extreme drought crisis in Africa, which has gripped a huge part of the population, specifically those described as ‘the poorest of the poor’. Within these people exists a layer – vulnerable children and grandmothers – who will not survive unless there is an intervention.
- ❖ **Evert P** saw his surgeon again this past Thursday and is pleased with healing process. The P’s are very thankful for all the prayers/concerns but most of all to our Heavenly Father for the good outcome. There will be more follow-up appointments in the future.
- ❖ **Bob V’s** hip surgery went well. He is home and walking with a walker. Pray that the pain can be managed. May the Lord grant him healing.
- ❖ Continue to pray for **Ans R** who awaits her surgery on June 10th to remove the tumour in her abdomen. Pray for protection and healing, courage and strength and patience as they wait for the day of surgery.
- ❖ We continue to keep Grace & Anno V’s son-in-law **Troy A** in prayer as Troy goes through brain cancer treatments.
- ❖ There has been slow improvement for **Epp D**. He continues to wait for further test results. Pray for patience and peace for this journey for Epp & Diana.
- ❖ Remember those who are dealing with cancer, **Catherine S** (Grace V’s sister-in-law), **Lynn D** (sister-in-law to Hans, Frank & Louis), **Stacie H** (Martha S’ niece), **Tim R** (Mike’s dad), & **Wilma V** (Ray’s mother). May the power of the Risen Lord surround them and their families in this difficult time.
- ❖ Pray for **3 year old Jed** from here in Fenwick who suffered a serious lawn mower accident. The Lord spared his life to this point and he is improving. Give thanks for that and pray for the long road of healing ahead, for grace for little Jed and comfort and peace for his parents Rob & Christine (they are neighbors to some of our members).

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.



- ☑ May 29
- ☑ May 30
- ☑ May 31
- ☑ June 1
- ☑ June 2
- ☑ June 3
- ☑ June 4

- 2 Kings 19-21; Matthew 15:21-39
- 2 Kings 22-23; Matthew 16
- 2 Kings 24-25; Matthew 17
- Hosea 1-4; Matthew 18:1-20
- Hosea 5-8; Matthew 18:21-35
- Hosea 9-11; Matthew 19
- Hosea 12-14; Matthew 20:1-16