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Report on Council Meeting – Monday April 25, 2016

Chairperson George deRoo opened the meeting in prayer and by reading select passages from the Book of Titus. These passages were selected in preparation of our discernment of Office Bearer nominations. Scripture invites us to select Office Bearers who demonstrate God honouring virtues and are committed to the Truth and sound doctrine. Titus also reminds us that we are heirs of eternal life because of what Christ has done for us.

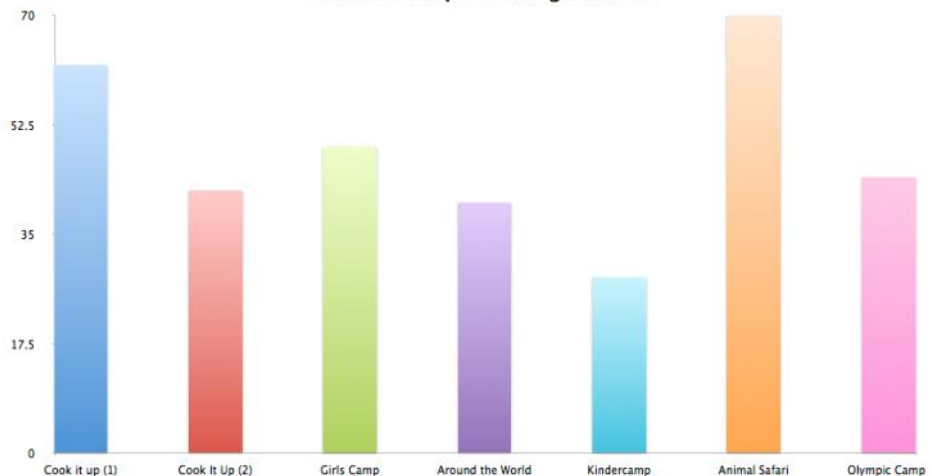
Council spent time discerning God's future leadership for Bethany and developed slates of names for the offices of Elder and Deacon. The District Elders will be following up with the appropriate calls to those nominated by Council. Youth Elder: Elder Pete Glasbergen expressed interest in assuming the Youth Elder role. Council moved and carried the motion to appoint Elder Glasbergen as Youth Elder.

Profession of Faith: following some very positive feedback from Elders Rudy Boverhof and Hans Dam, Council moved and carried the motion to welcome Morgan Glasbergen and Natalie Langendoen into full adult fellowship at Bethany and invite them to make public Profession of Faith on May 15, 2016. This is certainly a time of celebration and we are truly thankful to God for revealing Himself and actively working in the lives of these young people.

In light of the recent decision to cancel the "Generous Spaciousness" meeting, Council determined that clarification on the Denomination's (and Bethany's) view on same-sex attraction would be provided at the May 11, 2016 Congregational Meeting.

Elder Ray VanHuizen closed the meeting in prayer.

Summer Camp 2016 Registrations



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School News

GREAT WOLF LODGE, 2016....It's that time of year again!

A block of rooms has been reserved during the annual Fall PA days for our Christian schools. Discounted rates are available for the dates of Oct. 27th, and 28th. Room rates start at \$174.99/night. Our group booking code is: 1610CHRI_002. To book your room go to: www.greatwolf.com/niagara or call: 1-866-949-9653. Booking deadline is Sept. 27, so reserve early to avoid disappointment! For further information, please ONLY contact Tammy Veld - rtveld96@gmail.com or call/text: 905.745.5609

I'm a Stranger Here Myself

SMITHVILLE CHRISTIAN HIGHSCHOOL

Smithville Christian High School's Annual Main Stage Production

Casey O'Hara, a cool and laid back high school senior, thinks he knows what life is all about. Then Casey's world begins to change when family problems arise, he hangs out with his troubled pal, Mark, and he meets a girl named Lori. Suddenly, he is not so sure of the direction he's going and he begins to wonder if Mark's world is really what he wants for himself. Maybe life is about a little bit more than living for yourself. Maybe life is about bigger things...

May 12, 13, and 14 (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday)

Tickets: \$12.50 in advance, \$15.00 at the door

All performances: 8 p.m.

For tickets: In Person: Office of Smithville Christian High School

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Other News

COFFEE BREAK: This past Tuesday, twenty five ladies joined together at Chippewa Park here in Welland. Also a few children enjoyed the beautiful weather. One guest also joined and we hope you enjoyed yourself too Nicole. Some singing, games and charades made our morning more enjoyable. We also enjoyed the plentiful variety of snacks of all kinds. Thanks to all of you for making it another year to remember. We have shared joys, problems requested prayers, seen prayer answered throughout the season. Thanks for those who led in studies, set up shared devotions, and arranged special morning. Together we are strong. Another get together is planned for Aug 16th at Marjke's home, and a barbeque also planned for August by Theresa and Laney Van Oenen. Will notify you as we know more. Enjoy your summer and hopefully we will see you all back in September

SAVE THE DATE! for our 10th Annual Ladies SWEET Retreat ~ This year our retreat will be held on September 23rd & 24th (Friday @ 7 pm to Sat @ 4 pm) at Jericho House in Port Colborne. Our speaker, Elaine Bickel, a wife, mother, grandmother, author, inspiring speaker and comedian,

will lead us as we laugh, cry and grow in grace. Mark your calendar to "Save the Date!" You'll find a flyer in your mailslot today (or it could say where you have put some flyers??). More details will follow. Questions, email Kim at heersink.kim@gmail.com. (From Mountainview CRC Grimsby.... ALL are WELCOME!!)

Shalom Manor & Gardens May Sale – Saturday, May 28th

It's that time of year again – Annual May Sale time at Shalom Manor & Gardens! You are invited to our Annual May Sale on Saturday, May the 28th from 8:00am-12:00. In great tradition, we will be having a full pancake breakfast; HUGE outdoor plant sale; cut flower sales; food market complete with raisin buns, eggs and croquettes; and marketplace full of interesting vendors! There is sure to be something for everyone! Save the date – Saturday, May 28th! Proceeds of the sale will go towards the purchase of new bedroom furniture for our Manor residents and additional special events and outings. (The day of the sale there will be additional parking available at Mountainview CRC with a shuttle bus service).



Second Annual Golf Tournament- You are invited to Smithville Christian Reformed Church's FOReward in Faith fundraising golf tournament. Join us on July 16th, at Twenty Valley Golf and Country Club. This will be a fun day, filled with great fellowship, prizes and food. The cost per player is \$150, which includes a cart, 18 holes, free lunch and a delicious buffet dinner; if you would just like to come for just the dinner the cost is \$50 (limited spaces). To register a team, enquire about sponsorship opportunities or if you have any questions, please contact Bonnie Ludwig (905-980-1083 jon-bon.ludwig@gmail.com) or Rose Brinkert (905-957-7862 rosaliebrinkert@gmail.com)

Concerts

SPRING CONCERT: Performing Arts @ Mountainview invites you to join them for a **Spring Concert** featuring the Mattaniah Christian Male Choir under the direction of Herman den Hollander with organist Andre Knevel and guest soprano Suzanne Schaafsma.. The concert will take place on Saturday May 14th, 2016 @ 7:30 p.m.. Proceeds from the evening will benefit **The Grimsby Life Centre**. The concert will take place at Mountainview Church, 290 Main St. E. in Grimsby. Tickets: \$15 each, or \$35 per family (w/children 15 & under.) Available at The Dutch Shop in Grimsby, or at the door on the evening of the concert.

Momentum Choir presents...Be Brave

Momentum Choir, an entertaining and vibrant choir comprised of more than 50 adults who live with a disability are performing on May 15 at 3pm and May 18 at 7pm at Bethany Community Church. Momentum Choir continues to blaze a trail in the arts community, presenting powerful performances that leave audiences inspired. We hope to see you there! Tickets are \$10/person \$25/group home and \$7/supported individual. You can buy tickets at the door, online at Eventbrite.ca or reserve your tickets at info@momentumchoir.ca

COME LEND YOUR VOICE!

PRAISE MY SOUL THE KING OF HEAVEN

You are invited to a Hymn-Sing Festival on Saturday May 14 at 7.30 PM in the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 323 Simcoe Street, Niagara-on-the-Lake.

The evening will be filled with old and contemporary psalms, hymns and spiritual songs the church has sung for centuries. Participating are the St. Andrew's choir, the Cantata Singers of St. Catharines, a brass ensemble, all accompanied by organ and directed by Dr. Gerzinus E. Hoekstra.

There will be a freewill offering for the Community Breakfast Program at St. George's Church in St. Catharines.

LIBERTAS MALE CHOIR—With guest, the Urker Mans Formatie (UMF), under the direction of Martin Mans accompanied by Mark Brandwijk & Hendrik Van Veen present a concert near you: UMF with Libertas at Free Reformed Church of Vineland, 3685 King St., Vineland. June 17th at 7:00pm UMF with Libertas & special guests, Momentum Choir directed by Mendelt Hoekstra at Redeemer University College, 777 Garner Rd., Ancaster. June 18th at 7:30pm at Metropolitan Church, 56 Queen St. E., Toronto. Tickets online at libertasvoices.com or at the door. Adult \$20.00 Youth (14 & under) \$10.00 and under 10 are free. For information, email info@libertasvoices.com or call 905-522-0001

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