

## Welcome to Bethany

This Sunday we focus on Disability Awareness as we seek to serve one another and enable everyone to serve. Regardless of ability or disability, in Christ we all are made one Body. This morning the Lord ministers to us in the sacrament of unity with Him and with one another, the Lord's Supper. May we deepen our connections, continue to learn and grow, and serve with compassion in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### 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.

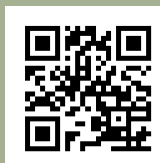
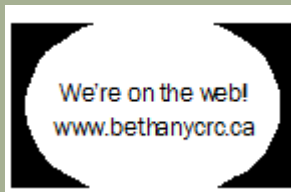
All are welcome to join afterwards for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

### Why Are We Here?

Bethany ministry vision:

**Everyone Growing in Jesus!**

deep connecting—lifelong equipping—compassionate serving



## 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** 8:00am – time of praise, prayer, & preparation

**Pre-service Prayer** 9:15am – Council & worship leaders (in Multi-use room)

**Reflections Bible Study** will meet at 7:30pm at Tim & Marlene M– 289-897-8875

## Upcoming

**Next Sunday's offering: Hands at Work/Devon & Lerato VanHoffen**

**Next Sunday's Children's Song: "He's Got the Whole World"**

**Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>**- Congregational meeting 7:30 pm (see mail slots for details)

## 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 at 905-975-8484



**Men's Bible Study** – Tuesdays at 6:00am (coffee provided!)

**Women's Coffee Break** – Tuesdays at Grace CRC at 9:30am

**Heart to Heart (women)** – Fridays at 9:30am

**Women's Bible Study** – Meets Tuesday evening at 7pm in the Fireside room. We are studying 1 & 2 Peter and Jude (Life Guide Bible Studies). All ladies are welcome!



### NIAGARA YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

The Fenwick Young Adults will be hosting the Niagara Young Adult Fellowship at the Bethany CRC in Fenwick tonight at 7:30 p.m. We will be discussing Francis Chan "Crazy Love". Once we encounter the love of God it should change the way we live our lives. This time of self-examination could be the most important of your life. If you are of college age and beyond please consider joining us. Check out our Facebook page under Niagara Young Adult Fellowship.

# Welcome to Bethany!



"Community is where you are known, noticed, and missed" Cara Milne

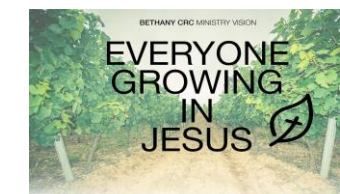
CRC Disability Concerns [www.crcna.org/disability](http://www.crcna.org/disability)

## Connecting

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<b>Worship Director</b> Karina Wierenga	289-686-9461 [text] <a href="mailto:karinawierenga@gmail.com">karinawierenga@gmail.com</a>

## Bethany Christian Reformed Church

**November 19, 2017**  
**9:30am**



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

## Today in Worship



### The Lord Gathers Us

Welcome & Announcements

\*Call to worship: Psalm 139 (video)

\*Opening Song

“You Made Us Your Own”

\*God’s Word of greeting

\*Songs of praise

“Speak, O Lord”

“This Little Light of Mine”

### The Lord Shows Us His Marvelous Grace

Disability Awareness litany

Conversation with our Regional Disability Advocate, Glenda Bouwers

Celebration of Lord’s Supper

“The Power of the Cross”

**(Bethany Kids ages 3-6 & Jr. Cadets/GEMS ages 7-8 are dismissed)**

Prayer & Offerings (& sharing about next week’s offering)

1. Ministries here at Bethany & the CRCNA

2. Shalom Manor

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

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

Bible reading – Proverbs 3:5-6 (p. 551), Matthew 11:25-30 (pg.849)

Message title “God’s Barrier-Free Grace”

Prayer of blessing on the message

### The Lord Sends Us to Celebrate & Serve

\*Song of Response

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” PH 579

\*God’s Word of Blessing

\*Closing song

“Hear the Call of the Kingdom”

## Sermon notes

### Serving Assignments

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

**Adventurers** Jenni/Anita W, Jessica O  
**Travelers** Mackenzie K, Austin O  
**Discoverers** Stephanie B, Emma W  
**Explorers** Lisa O, Joanne B, Lauren V  
**Seekers** Sierra K, Karen V, Kylar G  
**Dylan** Betty T  
**Jr. Cadets** Ryan V, Bryan D  
**Jr. GEMS** Rachel S, Rosie E  
**Autism Support Person – Council Room –** Vicky D (Deb P)  
**Nursery** Joanne D, Denise G, Kelly D, Luke V  
**Toddlers** Scott V, Andrea V, Shawn M  
**Ushers** Dustin V, Kevin D  
**Coffee Servers** Bill & Tina V, Hank & Coby B  
**Greeters** Ken & Nell O, Harry & Sharon H, Andrea V, Annie V  
**Sunday School Sign In:** Pete & Denise G

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**Travelers** Mackenzie K, Austin O  
**Discoverers** Stephanie B, Emma W  
**Explorers** Ray & Nicole V, Lauren V  
**Seekers** Cynthia N, Andria B  
**Dylan** Kevin W  
**Jr. Cadets** Mike K, Ryan V  
**Jr. GEMS** Teryl D, Rachel S  
**Autism Support Person – Council Room -** Deb P (Aimie V)  
**Nursery** Becky V, Wendy V, Margaret D, Madison L  
**Toddlers** Andy V, Anita V, Tawnya V  
**Ushers** Chris S, Mary B  
**Coffee Servers** Bill & Ann V, Dan & Sandra S  
**Greeters** Cor V, Hans & Hilda D, Ans R, Joanne D  
**Sunday School Sign In:** Rudy & Debbie B  
**Heart to Heart: Friday – Nursery:** Coby B, Nellie P, Rita F  
**Toddler 1:** Diane D, Marijke V  
**Toddler 2:** Margaret D, Wendy V

## Bethany Church Updates & Prayers

### Birthdays this week

Luke S (19<sup>th</sup>), Steve VH (19<sup>th</sup>), Samantha VL (23<sup>rd</sup>)

### Anniversaries this week

Marco & Kelly R (19<sup>th</sup>), Peter & Sylvia D (20<sup>th</sup>), Byron & Erika G (22<sup>nd</sup>)

### Prayers requested

- ❖ The **King’s University** in Alberta (a Christian University in the Reformed tradition, [www.kingsu.ca](http://www.kingsu.ca)) was recently granted a half million dollar Canada Research Chair grant by the Government of Canada to fund research and work done by Dr. Neal DeRoo for 5 years. Neal is the son of George and Joyce DeRoo here in Bethany and was raised in this church community. His research focuses on providing a philosophical basis for the interplay between religious commitments and how this is expressed in everyday life. Give thanks to the Lord for both Dr. DeRoo and for King’s.
- ❖ Pray for **Faith Alive Christian Resources** (used by the CRC and other denominations for Christian discipling materials) that children and youth would be challenged, adults would be edified and non-believers would come to know Christ through these resources.
- ❖ Pray for **Ann VL** who awaits testing results after her cancer surgery. May the Lord grant her good news.
- ❖ Continue praying for healing for **Anita W** on her cancer journey.
- ❖ **Harry H's son Gregg** continues his treatments. May the Lord grant him healing and strength.
- ❖ Pray for **Catharine S (sister-in-law of Grace V)** who has had cancer return in a very difficult way. Pray for the Lord’s grace for her and husband Simon and their family. The Lord can heal all so we ask for His gracious hand. Above all we ask His comforting and assuring presence in this difficult time.
- ❖ Pray for comfort for **Martha & Luke S** and family as Martha’s niece, **Stacy H** of Woodstock, passed away recently after a long journey with cancer. Praise the Lord for His gift of faith to Stacy that held her firm to the end of her walk in this life.

- **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)



**BIBLE**  
Reading Plan

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