

Welcome!



It's inescapable! Once the end of October passes, the stores make the hurried switch to Christmas decorations and themes. Churches tend to hold off on that switch until near the start of Advent (this year: Nov. 29). However, this morning is a bit of primer for Advent. The main focus is on how God keeps His promises, has kept them, and always will keep them. May this coming church season be one in which we can encourage each other in our various situations in life, with the sure promises of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

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

Church Office Denise Glasbergen 905-892-8980
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Youth Director Andrea Veldhuizen 905-975-8484 [call/text]
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Children's Ministry Lorraine Wierenga 905-892-6961
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Worship/LIFE Groups (position vacant—contact Pastor Colin)

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)

Reflections Bible Study meets at John and Heidi TeBrake's home. We plan to discover and study Lesson 3, on Joy, from the Discover the Fruit of the Spirit study guide. If this is

of interest, you are welcome to join us for this evening of bible study and fellowship.

Konnect 20 7:30pm at Boverhofs

Upcoming

Next Week's offering: Hands at Work-Devon VanHoffen

Thursday Tuesday Night Men's Bible Study group will have a social gathering at Ed Roorda's house at 7:30pm. Contact Ed Roorda 905-892-1362

Nov. 25th Congregational meeting at 7:30pm

Nov. 26th Pelham Refugee Response Syria initial meeting. 7PM at Fenwick United Church (1050 Church St. Fenwick)

Dec. 13th Adult Bible Study/Christmas Party will be at Mike and Vicky DenBak's at 6:00. Please bring your favorite finger foods and we will be discussing Session 3.

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)

7:30pm once a month

Potluck/Bible Study Group

4:30pm on 1st Sunday of every month

Bethany Women's Bible Study

The next meeting will be held at Cynthia Vermeer's at 7:30pm.



Faith Instruction (Catechism) every

Tuesday at 7:00pm @ the church for grades 9-12

MERGE (youth group) from 7-9

is for grades 9-12. We are meeting tonight 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

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!

We're glad you joined us!



Bethany Christian Reformed Church

November 22, 2015

9:30am

Today in Worship



The Lord Gathers Us

- *Opening Song
"Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone"
- *God's Word of greeting
- *Greet one another with the peace of Christ
- *Songs of Praise
"Jesus, All For Jesus"
"How Great is Our God"

The Lord Shows Us His Grace

- Prayer of Confession (drawn from "Prone to Wander" by Duguid & Houk)
- God's Word of Assurance: Hebrews 10:19-23 (p. 1056)
- Song of Response
"Blessed Be Your Name"
- God's Call to Faithful Living: Psalm 40:1-11 & 37-40 (p. 488)
- Children's Song of Thankfulness
"Clap Your Hands All You People"
- (Children ages 3-8 invited downstairs for Sunday School)**

- Prayer & Offerings
 1. Ministries here at Bethany & the CRCNA
 2. Back to God Ministries

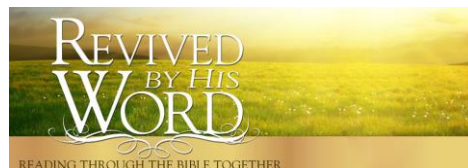
Prayers of God's People

The Lord Speaks to Us through His Word

- Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-13 (p. 1065)
- Message "The King is coming. Jesus Christ has come and will come again"
- Prayer of blessing

The Lord Sends Us Out to Celebrate & Serve

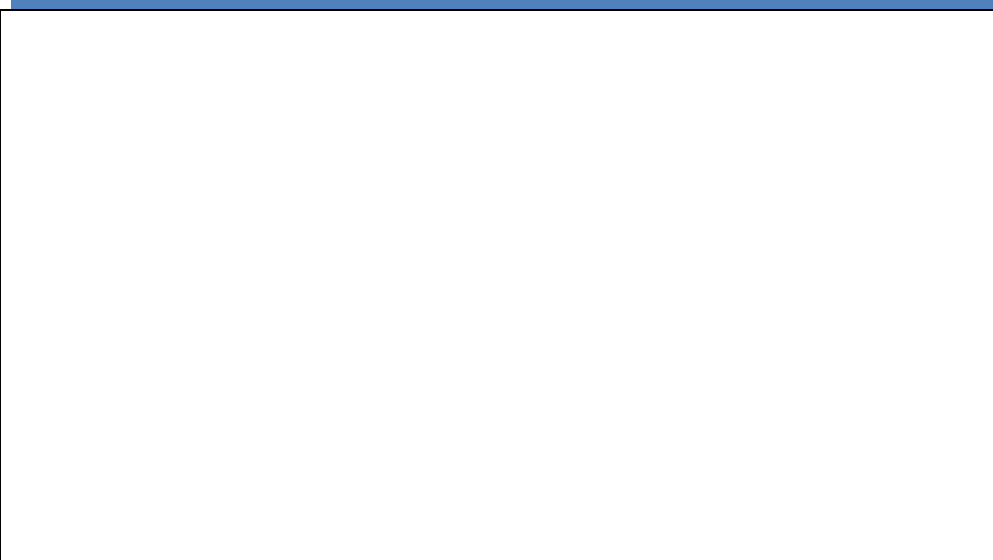
- *Songs of Response "Glorious Christ"
- *God's Word of blessing
- *Closing Song "Not Be Shaken"



☑ November 22	2 Chronicles 4-6; Luke 5:17-39
☑ November 23	2 Chronicles 7-9; Luke 6:1-26
☑ November 24	2 Chronicles 10-12; Luke 6:27-49
☑ November 25	2 Chronicles 13-14; Luke 7:1-30
☑ November 26	2 Chronicles 15-16; Luke 7:31-50
☑ November 27	2 Chronicles 17-18; Luke 8:1-25

☑ November 28 2 Chronicles 19-20; Luke 8:26-56

Sermon Discussion Starters



Serving Assignments

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

- 3 year olds A** Anita/Jenni Wierenga, Cadence Kiers
- 3 year olds B** Karen Bylisma, Kean Veldhuizen
- 4 year olds** Kelly Dam, Ethan Wubs
- 5 year olds** Colleen Keizer, Gabi VanSoelen
- 6 year olds** Sharon Hielema, Ray Wubs
- 7&8 year old** Lisa Ormel, Joanne Benson
- Courtney** Margaret DeVries
- Dylan** Karissa Vantwel
- Nursery-Babies** Karina Wierenga, Diane Dam, Anne-Marie Wubs
- Toddlers** Pete Wierenga, Sierra Kiers, Connor DenBak
- Ushers** Chris Smit, Mary Bokma
- Coffee Servers** Bill & Tina Vahrmeyer, Dan & Sandra Stam
- Greeters** Cor & Ina VanSoelen, Hans & Hilda Dam, Ans Roorda, Mark Vahrmeyer, Colin de Roos, Joanne Dam

Next Sunday

Sunday School during Advent Season

- Worship Leader:** Karen Bylisma, Sierra Kiers
- Teachers/helpers:** Ray VanHuizen, Wendy Kremer, Andy VanDriel, Deb Prins, Sandra Stam, Karen Bylisma, Kean Veldhuizen, Cadence Kiers
- Courtney** Jen Kiers
- Dylan** Kelly Slappendel
- Nursery-Babies** Aimie VanLochem, Deb Geerlinks, Lauren VanHuizen, Arnell Dykstra
- Toddlers** Mary Bokma, Lauren Dam, Kaleigh Scholman
- Ushers** Dustin Vantwel, Scott VanDriel
- Coffee Servers** John & Heidi TeBrake, Kevin & Betty Twomey
- Greeters** Pete & Karen Veldhuizen, Deb & Rudy Boverhof, James Vander Veen, Emily Vander Veen

Friday-Heart to Heart: Storytime:

- Nursery:** Chris Smit, Sharon Hielema, Nellie Scholman
- Toddlers:** Mary Bouwers, Coby Bosgraaf

If you are interested in serving please contact the office

Bethany Family Updates & Prayers

Birthdays this week

Samantha VanLochem

Anniversaries this week

Byron & Erika Garner, Nathan & Elizabeth Nauta, Jeff & Jody VanderStelt

Prayers requested

- ❖ If for any reason you are in need of support or want to talk to someone, contact Pastor Colin 905-931-5841 or Caregiver Joyce De Roo at 905-386-6719 or SHALEM network 866-347-0041 (confidential, financially supported counselling for Bethany members)
- ❖ Pray for the Lord's blessing on our congregational meeting this week (Wed at 7:30). May we together seek the Lord's will for Bethany as we plan ministry for the next year.
- ❖ Pray for the Lord's blessing on the initial meeting of the Pelham Refugee Response Syria that takes place this week (Thurs at 7:00 at Fenwick United Church). May the Lord lead this town through her churches to respond to the crisis in the Middle East in tangible ways.
- ❖ Pray for those dealing with cancer: **Dalton Jacques** (Shelby Kremer's brother) has been hospitalized as his condition worsens and is no longer medically treatable. Pray for God's gracious presence to surround this family in this very difficult journey and that Dalton may receive all the peace and assurance of God's love that he needs in this time. **Nick Kiers** (grandson of Gerry & Tena Evers) was moved to a hospice care center. His cancer continues to progress. Pray for comfort and courage for Nick and his family. Pray for the power of God's unearned love in Christ to hold them all in His care. Pray for strength and good test results for **Kevin Vanderlee** (Denise Glasbergen's brother). Pray for strength and comfort each day for **Wilma VanHuizen** (Ray's mother) and her family. **Tim Robson** (Mike's father) continues to await further surgery. Pray that the date may be available soon and that Tim may be healthy enough to undergo that treatment.
- ❖ Pray for comfort and encouragement for those who lost loved ones, especially in the recent spate of terrorist attacks. May the Lord grant peace in the Middle East and other areas in conflict.

