

Welcome!



You are probably here this morning for all kinds of reasons yet still, it is the leading of God to come. So every one of us is here by His guiding. New comers or old timers, doesn't matter, we all belong here. My hope is that together in worship and in fellowship, before and after, we grow just a little bit more aware of the God in Christ Jesus who is present among us by His Holy Spirit. Pastor Colin.

Visitors/Guests Notes

COMMUNICATION CARD

We want to get to know you! Feel free to fill out the Visitor/Prayer Card in the bench and drop it in the offering bag.

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

Connecting

General Information

Office Phone	905-892-8980
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We Partner With

Locally

Hannah House, Elisha House, Pro-Life, Harvest Kitchen, Rose City Kids, Open Arms Mission, Pelham Cares, Family Outreach, Shalom Manor, Bible League, Covenant Christian School, Smithville Christian High School, Friendship Club.

Globally

Check out www.crcna.org

Tom & Deb deRuiter who are serving in Mali, West Africa

Email: adiallo_78@hotmail.com – CRC World Missions

Devon Van Hoffen serving in Africa.

Email: devon@handsatwork.org

Check out his blog at www.devonvanhoffen.wordpress.com

Elise Wierenga serving in Utila, Honduras. Visit www.cten.ca/elisewierenga.

Happening Today

Praise Team	Sundays	8:00am – A time of Praise & Prayer
Prayer Time	Sundays	9:15am – Council Pre-Service Prayer
Worship	Sundays	9:30am
Next Week's Offerings:		Back to God Hour

Upcoming Events

December 2nd Konnect 20 Wheelchair Basketball at 6:30pm
 December 4th Cadets/Parents night of bowling. Meet at church at 6:45pm for rides. Cost is \$4.25 per game.
 December 3rd **Seniors Christmas Dinner** - Please join us on Wednesday December 3rd for our Annual Seniors Christmas Dinner hosted by the Bethany CRC Deacons. Please RSVP by November 23. Bethany CRC Deacons.
 December 7th Reflections Bible Study at 7:30pm at John & Heidi TeBrakes. Lesson 6 from the Parables study book. New members welcome.
 December 11th Konnect 20 Christmas Potluck at 6:30pm
 December 24th Christmas Eve Service at 6:00pm
 December 25th Christmas Day Service at 10:00am

Equipping for Faith Life

Students(Grades 4-12)

GEMS	Mondays	7:00-9:00pm
Catechism	Tuesdays	7:00-8:00pm (no Grade 12 this week)
Cadets	Thursdays	7:00-9:00pm

LiFE Groups

Men's Bible Study	Mondays	6:00am
Coffee Break	Tuesdays	9:30am in Welland at Grace CRC
1 Peter Bible Study	Sundays	4:30pm
	Thursdays	7:30pm
Heart to Heart	Fridays	9:30am



<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> November 30	2 Chronicles 23-24; Luke 9:18-36
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> December 1	2 Chronicles 25-27; Luke 9:37-62
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> December 2	2 Chronicles 28-29; Luke 10:1-24
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> December 3	2 Chronicles 30-31; Luke 10:25-42
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> December 4	2 Chronicles 32-33; Luke 11:1-28
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> December 5	2 Chronicles 34-36; Luke 11:29-54
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> December 6	Esther 1-2; Luke 12:1-31



Bethany Christian Reformed Church

November 30, 2014
9:30am



Today in Worship

Advent of Hope

The book of Ruth describes the change that comes about in Naomi. Naomi's husband and two sons have died; she feels hopeless. But there are glimmers of hope: the barley harvest is beginning, and it seems that the people of Bethlehem don't blame Naomi for her problems. Her daughter-in-law Ruth walks beside her in her grief—an example of what Christ himself would do (vv. 16-17). Even the names in this chapter offer glimmers of hope for a Savior: Bethlehem (house of bread), Ephratha (out of you will come Micah 5:2), Elimelech (my God is King), Orpah (raindrop or abundance), Ruth (friendship). God is providing hope, a Savior, a relationship, someone who will walk beside us at all times.

The Lord Gathers Us

*Opening Song & God's Word of greeting

"Come and Stand Amazed, You People"

"Come People of the Risen King"

"I Will Follow"

The Lord Shows Us His Grace

Confession & Assurance & Songs

Lord's Supper Preparatory

"Shine On Us"

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

Offerings:

1. Ministries here at Bethany & the CRCNA

2. NACE-Covenant Christian School

Prayers of God's People

The Lord Speaks to Us through His Word

"Hope Against Hope"

Ruth 1

Prayer of application

We Respond with Joy & Commitment

*God's Word of blessing & closing songs

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

"Hope Has Come"

Sermon Notes

Ruth 1 - Hope Against Hope

Serving Assignments

Please arrive by 9:15am for Nursery & Toddler

Today

Little Lambs Richard VanLochem, Kelly Slappendel
3 year olds Jody VanderStelt, Tyler Glasbergen
4 year olds Karen Bylsma, Kean Veldhuizen
5 year olds Becky VanLochem, Emma Wubs
Nursery-Babies Anne-Marie Wubs, Jenny DeBoer, Kaitlyn Langendoen
Toddlers Joanne Benson, Cynthia Nauta, James Vander Veen
Ushers Dustin Vantwel, Scott VanDriel
Greeters John Langendoen, Epp DeVries, Gerry & Tena Evers
Coffee Servers John & Rosie Enzlin, Karl & Wilma Vahrmeyer
Email deRuiters Henry & Barb Janssen

Next Sunday

Little Lambs Debbie Prins, Sonya VanDriel
3 year olds Ann Kiers, Haley Glasbergen
4 year olds Jenny DeBoer, Riley Kremer
5 year olds Teacher, Tawnya VanHoorn
Nursery-Babies Wendy Vahrmeyer, Angela Anjema, Arnell Dykstra, Chloe Lapenna
Toddlers Michelle Overbeeke, Coby Bosgraaf, Madison Lapenna
Ushers Brian Prins, Scott VanDriel
Greeters
Coffee Servers Mike & Jessica Dreyer, Tim & Kathy VanHoffen
Email deRuiters Lindsay Janssen

Heart to Heart (this Friday) **Nursery:** Karen Langendoen, Ann Hook, Chris Smit, Diana DeVries
Toddlers: Tina Vahrmeyer, Sharon Hielema
Rover: Nellie Scholman

If you are interested in serving please contact the office

Bethany Family Updates & Prayers

Birthdays this week

Matt Johnston, Matthew Tempelman, Lauren VanHuizen, Brian Kremer, Miranda Langendoen, Jeremy deRoos, Ethan Wubs, John TeBrake, Tracy VanSoelen, Anita Wierenga, Darren Wierenga

Anniversaries this week

Luke & Martha Sikkens(29th), JJ & Colleen Keizer(7th), Harry & Sharon Hielema(11th)

Prayers requested

- ❖ Pray for Dylan VanDriel that the test he underwent this past Friday will give insight to doctors and a path of further help for him in dealing with seizures
- ❖ Dustin & Karissa Vantwel's niece, Suri continues to be treated for her burns and is making some progress. Pray for God's healing hand on this little girl.
- ❖ Continue to pray for ongoing strength for Nancy Manns.
- ❖ Continue to uphold Karel & Nettie Vahrmeyer. Pray for peace and wisdom for this family as they travel this road of suffering and grace.
- ❖ Kevin Vanderlee (Denise Glasbergen's brother) was admitted to hospital yesterday and will be having a large blast of chemo treatment today and tomorrow. Thursday is the scheduled day for his stem cell transplant. Pray for strength and God's healing hand in this process.
- ❖ Wilma VanHuizen (Ray's mother) continues with medical treatments for her cancer.
- ❖ and others in our circles ...
- ❖ We give thanks for the continued support of our Christian Schools. Dunnville Christian School's bazaar raised over \$25,000 in its bazaar last weekend. NACE raised over \$62,000 in its bazaar the weekend before. Smithville Christian High has reached its Capital Campaign goal of \$1.4 million. Praise the Lord!
- ❖ Update from Liz Hessels - I am very happy to say that my last treatment is behind me and I feel very good. My thanks goes out to all of you for keeping me in your prayers and thoughts and most of all we thank the Lord for the way He watches over us, He is an awesome God and worthy of our praise. Thanks again Liz Hessels and family.

*"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."
 Philippians 4:6 ESV*