

Welcome to Bethany Christian Reformed Church!

September 28, 2014

**Striving to grow as a God honouring community
witnessing for Christ.**

Join the journey!

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New here? Feel free to fill out the Visitor/Prayer Card in the bench and drop it in any offering bag. ☺

Child-care is available for both infants and toddlers located in the lower level of the church.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & HEARING ASSIST DEVICES AVAILABLE FROM USHERS.

Sermons are on the web www.bethanycrc.ca

➡ **Bethany** is part of the Christian Reformed Church in North America. www.crcna.org

➡ **We partner 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 Highschool, Friendship Club.

➡ **... and globally**

*Tom & Deb deRuiter who are serving in Mali, West Africa
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*Devon Van Hoffen serving in Africa. Check out his blog at

www.devonvanhoffen.wordpress.com

email: devon@handsatwork.org

*Elise Wierenga serving in Utila,

Honduras. Visit www.cten.ca/elisewierenga.

Worship Service

[* = Please stand if able; PH=blue song book]

✠ THE LORD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE

Call to worship:

*God's Word of greeting

*Greeting one another in Jesus' name

(speak words of welcome to those around you)

*Songs of praise.....Come, Now is the Time to Worship

.....PH557 My Jesus, I Love Thee

✠ THE LORD SHOWS US HIS GRACE

Prayer of Confession

*Song of Response.....Shine On Us

God's Word of Assurance

Call to Thankful Living

Song.....Jesus, Thank You

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

Prayers of God's People

Giving in thanks in proportion to God's provision:

1. Ministries here at Bethany & the CRCNA
2. NACE-Covenant Christian School

✠ THE LORD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

Song of Preparation.....Show Us Christ

Prayer that our hearts may be opened to the Word of God

Bible reading: Genesis 4:1-7 (p.4) & Hebrews 11:1-6 (p.1057)

Message title "Intentional Giving Part 1: Review"

Prayer of thanksgiving and blessing

✠ WE RESPOND WITH JOY & COMMITMENT

*Song of response.....PH296 We Give You but Your Own

*God's Word of blessing

*Closing praise.....Praise the Lord

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

Today

8:30am Prayer time before the service. The Prayer Team gathers in Sunday School Rm#3 to intercede for God's people, as they worship in Spirit & in Truth.

9:30am Worship

This Week

Mon. 6:00am Men's Bible Study

7:00pm GEMS

Tues. 9:30am Coffee Break at Grace CRC in Welland

Wed. 7:30pm Elders meeting

Thurs. 7:00pm Cadets

Fri. 9:30am Heart to Heart

Nursery: Joanne Kiers, Mary Bouwers, Diana

DeVries, Maria DeJonge

Toddlers: Coby Bosgraaf, Nellie Scholman

Next Sunday

8:30am Prayer Time downstairs in Sunday School Rm#3

9:30am Worship

Future dates

Oct. 13th - Thanksgiving Service at 10:00am

Oct. 15th - Council meeting at 7:30pm



*God relishes the praises of His people.
"Sing to the Lord a new song."*

Bethany Updates & Prayers

Birthdays: Jordan VanSoelen, Frank Dam, Joyce Peetsma, Noah VanSoelen, Ann Kiers, Jeff Dam, Nate Anjema

Anniversaries: Arnold & Ellen Dykstra, John & Rosie Enzlin, Don & Theresa Terpstra, Darren & Evelyn Hoekstra, Cor & Ina VanSoelen, Mike & Laura Klapwyk

Wedding bells! May the Lord bless **Megan Kiers & Trevor Zwier** in their upcoming wedding. The wedding ceremony will take place on Saturday October 4, 2014. Pastor Steve DeBoer will be officiating.

Wedding bells! May the Lord bless **Brad VanHoffen & Tori Vermeer** in their upcoming wedding. The wedding ceremony will take place at 5:00pm on October 4, 2014 in Ridgeville. Pastor Colin Vander Ploeg will be officiating.

Prayers requested:

-Congratulations to **Kristina & Codie Hoad** who were united in marriage yesterday. May the Lord richly bless your marriage!

-Pray for **Pastor Wesley & Stephanie Collins** (pastor at Riverside CRC, Wellandport) who are recovering from a serious car accident. Both of them continue to make steady progress in healing and recovery. There are many things that have to be put in place for this long journey. Pray for the Lord's gracious hand to guide the family through the health care providing journey. Give thanks to the Lord for this measure of healing and pray the Lord strengthen them daily.

-Pray for **Netty Damm** - due to complications with her pregnancy, Netty has been on bed rest for the past couple weeks and it will continue indefinitely. Pray for patience and peace of spirit during this time, especially with two little active boys!

-**Eb Bokma** continues her recovery at home. She is getting more mobile. It has been slow but steady progress.

-Remember those who are dealing with cancer:

-**Nancy Manns** has had her cancer return. She is scheduled for surgery next week Wednesday. Pray for strength and peace in this time.

-**Wilma VanHuizen (Ray's mother)** has recently been diagnosed with Esophagus cancer. Pray for patience as she awaits further testing and decide what the course of treatment will be.

-**Grace Vander Veen** wishes to thank the people of Bethany for their prayers, meals, cards, phone calls and visits. All the reports have come back this week indicating that no further treatment is

necessary. For this we are extremely thankful. With praise and thanksgiving we especially thank our Heavenly Father for this great news. Anno, Grace, Heidi, Emily & James.

-Harry Hielema's brother **Ralph Hielema** is home and still dealing with multiple health issues. He trusts in the Lord to uphold him.

- **Kevin Vanderlee** (Denise Glasbergen's brother) who is recovering at home from his last round of chemo.

-**Bert Den Hartog** (brother-in-law to Diane Dam) is struggling with a return of cancer.

-**Heather Lapenna** pray for a consistent control of pain for Heather as her cancer progresses. She is ready to enter her heavenly Father's presence whenever He calls her. She is not able to have visitors except those pre-arranged with her and the family. Pray that the Lord may answer her prayers and may surround the family with His grace and peace as they wait on the Lord's will. *John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."*

-Pray for comfort for those who mourn the loss of a loved one. Pray for comfort for the **Geerlinks** family in the recent loss of **Deb's father**. Pray for comfort for the **Dam** family in the recent loss of **Diane's** brother-in-law **Gerrit VanderMeer** of Strathroy ON. Pray for comfort especially for the widows who begin a new journey of life through loss.

Kingdom 'Building' – Ministry Funding / Budget Update

Doing ministry together: report up to August 31st

	PLAN	ACTUAL
Bethany Income	\$258,930.56	\$246,844.05
Bethany Expenses	\$258,930.56	\$258,052.59
Collected for Classis	\$9,827.84	\$9,827.84
Collected for CRC	\$38,953.68	\$38,953.68
2 nd Offering last two weeks (Sept. 14 th & 21 st)		
Smithville Christian Highschool.....		\$377.00
Shalom "Raise the Roof Campaign"		\$2,084.00
Deacons.....		\$25.00
Pelham Cares.....		\$200.00
Rose City Kids.....		\$40.00

Offerings

The 1st offering today will be for the ministries here at Bethany & the CRC and the 2nd: NACE-Covenant Christian School

Next week's 2nd offering: Deacons Benevolent Fund

Is it your turn to serve today? ☺

Children's Church/Sunday School:

Little Lambs-Aimie VanLochem, Holly Robson, Mackenzie Kremer

3 year olds- Sarah Janssen, Tawnya VanHoorn

4 year olds- Vicky DenBak, Lauren VanHuizen

5 year olds- Kevin DeBoer, Owen VanHuizen

****Attention All Sitters: please arrive no later than 9:15am when it is your turn to serve in the Nursery/Toddler Room-thanks****

Nursery-Babies: Laura Klapwyk, Karissa Vantwel, Chloe LaPenna

Toddlers: John Enzlin, Karen Veldhuizen, Emma Wubs

Projection: Kurt

Sound: Mike

Ushers: Chris Smit, Mary Bokma

Greeters: Cor & Ina VanSoelen, Gerry & Cynthia Vermeer, Joanne Dam

Coffee Servers: Len Krygsman, Jeremy & Ellen deRoos

Email / Letter to de Ruiters: Humphrey & Debbie Geerlinks

Address: Mr. Tom and Deb de Ruiters, B.P.2210, Bamako, Mali, West Africa – adiallo_78@hotmail.com

Is it your turn to serve next Sunday? ☺

Children's Church/Sunday School:

Little Lambs-Debbie Prins, Sonya VanDriel

3 year olds- Jenni Wierenga, Anita Wierenga

4 year olds- Andrea Veldhuizen, Cassidy Kiers

5 year olds-Laura Janssen, Ethan VanHuizen

Nursery-Babies: Julienne Marr, Annie Vahrmeyer, Jody VanderStelt

Toddlers: Evelyn Hoekstra, Jen Kiers, Nathan DenBak

Projection: James

Sound: Ed

Ushers: Brian Prins, Scott VanDriel

Greeters: Maria DeJonge, John Langendoen, Epp DeVries, Gerry & Tena Evers

Coffee Servers: John & Karen Langendoen, Hank & Coby Bosgraaf

Email / Letter to de Ruiters: Pete & Denise Glasbergen