

# Welcome to Bethany Christian Reformed Church!

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**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](http://www.bethanycrc.ca)

➡ **Bethany** is part of the Christian Reformed Church in North America. [www.crcna.org](http://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**

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## 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.....Heart of Worship & Grace Alone

Program Year Acknowledgement and Commissioning

Song.....LUYH 519 God We Sing Your Glorious Praises

### ✠ THE LORD SHOWS US HIS GRACE

Baptism of Skylar Dam

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Thanksgiving.....Take Us to the River

Gathered prayer of blessing

(Children ages 3-5 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. Deacons

Prayer for the offering

Song.....God is Our Refuge

### ✠ THE LORD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

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

Bible reading: Psalm 33

Message title "What does it mean to be 'Reformed'? Part 1"

Prayer of thanksgiving and blessing

### ✠ WE RESPOND WITH JOY & COMMITMENT

\*Song of response

.....PH430 We Sing the Mighty Power of God

\*God's Word of blessing

\*Closing praise..... As You Go

*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

**Please note, there will be no Sunday School for ages 6-8.**

**They will start on September 14th.**

## This Week

Mon. 6:00am Men's Bible Study

Thurs. 7:30pm Discipleship Team meeting

Thurs. 7:30pm Finance Committee meeting

## Next Sunday

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

9:30am Worship

2:30pm Movie @ Rose City Kids "God's Not Dead" next

Sunday for all the congregation of Bethany CRC. The film is set to start at 2:30 pm with popcorn, candy and other refreshments offered for your enjoyment. A free will offering will be collected to help cover some of the costs and babysitting will be available. Hope to see you at there! From the Fellowship Committee

## Future dates

Sept.15<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm GEMS starts

Sept.16<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm Catechism begins

Sept.18<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm Cadets Kick Off

7:30pm Council meeting

Sept.19<sup>th</sup> 9:30am Heart 2 Heart Opening Morning

Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> Fundraiser Wheels for VanDriels (see Bugle)

Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Konnect 20 camping

## Bethany Updates & Prayers

**Birthdays:** Brenda Boverhof, Richard Ormel, Luke VanLochem, Brian Burke, Wilma Vahrmeyer, Ray VanHuizen, Bill Thies, Jessica Ormel, Melanie Tempelman,

**Anniversaries:** Dave & Teryl Dam, Kevin & Betty Twomey, Andy & Maryke VanDriel

### Prayers requested:

--Pray a blessing on Mike & Holly Robson (nee Sikkens) who were united in marriage yesterday. Their new address is, 1177 Sunset Dr. Fenwick

--Pray for those who are struggling with relationships that are difficult. May the Lord grant grace, wisdom and healing and supportive people to surround you.

-Pray for **Pastor Wesley & Stephanie Collins** (pastor at Riverside CRC, Wellandport) who were in a serious car accident just over a week ago. Wes is in ICU and has had some slight progress. They are thankful that Wes will not need spinal surgery. Stephanie is doing well in her recovery, having been able to go see Wes via wheelchair. She has begun some physiotherapy. Pray that the Lord may uphold them in healing and also guide the Wellandport congregation in the months ahead.

-**Eb Bokma** continues her recovery at home.

-**Luke Smit** continues to wrestle with the challenges of his stroke. He resides in Shalom in Grimsby.

-Remember those who are dealing with cancer:

-**Grace Vander Veen** was scheduled for cancer surgery this week to remove a growth from her tongue. Pray for healing for her and strength through the recovery journey.

-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)

-**Heather Lapenna** update: Heather is more tired lately and struggles to manage aches and pains at times. Pray for good days for her at home and a deep sense of peace with this difficult journey. May the Lord surround Heather, Chloe & Madison, her parents Bill & Mary Koudys, Heather's brothers and the rest of her family. 1Peter 5:7 "Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you."

### Is it your turn to serve today? 😊

#### Children's Church/Sunday School:

**Little Lambs**-Stephanie Beldman, Sonya VanDriel

**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:** Coby Bosgraaf, Mary Bokma, Betty Gritter

**Toddlers:** Glenda Bouwers, Wendy Kremer, Ethan Wubs

**Projection:** Darren W

**Sound:** Mike

**Ushers:** Brian Prins, Scott VanDriel

**Coffee Servers:** Dan & Kristina Braun, Bob & Jane Andree

**Email / Letter to de Ruiter's:** Mike & Rita Forestell

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### Is it your turn to serve next Sunday? 😊

#### Children's Church/Sunday School:

**Little Lambs**-Colleen Slappendel, Marijke VanDriel, Julia Glasbergen

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**Nursery-Babies:** Grace VanderVeen, Debbie Boverhof, Elaine VanHoorn

**Toddlers:** Jeff VanderStelt, Bernice Slappendel, Madison LaPenna

**Projection:** Darren H

**Sound:** Tim

**Ushers:** Byron Garner, Dan Scholman

**Coffee Servers:** Steve & Elaine VanHoorn, Humphrey & Deb Geerlinks

**Email / Letter to de Ruiter's:** Tyler Forestell & Michelle Overbeeke

## Kingdom 'Building' – Ministry Funding / Budget Update

Doing ministry together: report up to August 31<sup>st</sup>

	PLAN	ACTUAL
Bethany Income	\$258,930.56	\$233,528.05
Bethany Expenses	\$258,930.56	\$257,583.25
Collected for Classis	\$9,827.84	\$9,827.84
Collected for CRC	\$38,953.68	\$38,953.68
2 <sup>nd</sup> Offering last two weeks (Aug 17 <sup>th</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> )		
Family Outreach.....		\$284.00
Open Arms Mission.....		\$315.00

### Offerings

The 1<sup>st</sup> offering today will be for the ministries here at Bethany & the CRC and the 2<sup>nd</sup>: Deacons Benevolent Fund

**Next week's 2<sup>nd</sup> offering: Smithville Christian Highschool**



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