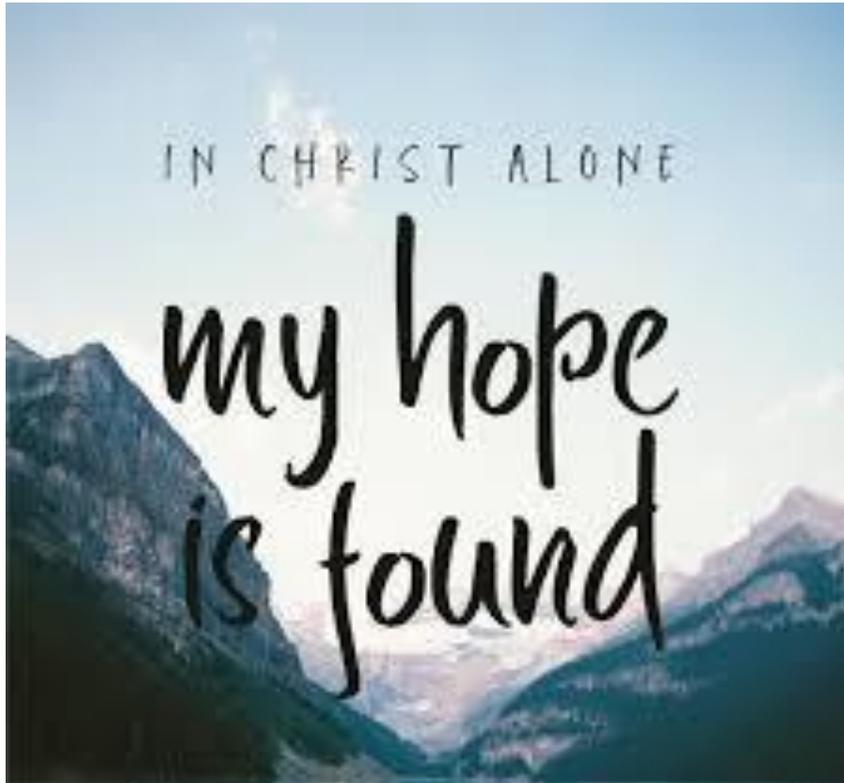


Drayton Christian Reformed Church

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2 Chronicles 36:15-23

November 26, 2017
"Sharing God's Grace and Hope"

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Drayton Christian Reformed Church

NURSERY is available downstairs for children up to 3 years old.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Children, **ages 3 to Grade 4** are welcome to join us downstairs for Sunday School.

SERMON REVIEW: After the congregational prayer, **Grades 5 through 8** leave for a review of the sermon. Questionnaire booklets are found at the back of the sanctuary.

Large Print Psalter Hymnals and **Large Print Order of Worship programs** are available.

Please contact an usher if you wish to use one.

November 26 ~ This morning we conclude our “**Daily Refuorming**” sermon series. One final Reformation theme we’ll highlight is “Jesus Alone” (Solo Christus) is enough for salvation. God has not only revealed himself through Jesus; only through Christ is salvation possible. Our time of worship is led by **Pastor Paul**.

Charlie Brown Christmas Party ~ Everyone is invited to the church at 6:30 p.m. this evening for a Charlie Brown-themed event. Our pastors have put together a Charlie Brown Advent and Christmas sermon series and it is our hope the viewing of this 30-minute, 1965 animated comedy special (based on the “Peanuts” comic strip) will help introduce us to the various characters informing service themes starting next Sunday or the First Sunday in Advent. We will watch the special at 6:30 p.m. and activities/games including refreshments will follow.

December 3 ~ Next week Sunday, the **First Sunday of Advent**, our time of worship will be led, Lord willing, by **Pastor Paul**. We will start our sermon series “A Charlie Brown Christmas” and join character Charlie Brown in thinking about his unhappy problem of not understanding Christmas.

Coffee: Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the worship service this morning.



Offerings:

SECOND OFFERING: Please make cheques payable to “**Drayton CRC Charity Fund.**”

November 26: **1: Budget** **2: Teen Challenge**

Teen Challenge is a residential alcohol and drug faith-based program with centres throughout Canada. We offer help and hope to those struggling with alcoholism and/or addiction to other drugs. Addicts, alcoholics, their families and friends, begin their restoration at Teen Challenge.

December 3: **1: Budget** **2: Huron Campus Ministries**

Our Vision: Campus Ministry is a Christ-centred fellowship that is celebrating the Lordship of Jesus Christ, growing in fath, building community, and engaging campus, bearing witness to God’s love for this world. This bridging Christian community is student-led and unfolds in five ways: Community, Leadership development, worship, hospitality, and justice.

Collections Received: November 19, 2017 ~ Drayton Youth Centre ~ \$ 978.00

Stewardship Thought:

“The fragrance always stays in the hand that gives the rose.”

– Hada Bejar (ca. 1931-2014), Cuban actress

Drayton Christian Reformed Church
Sunday, November 26, 2017
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Worship Leader: Pastor Paul
Music Leader: Family
Daily Reforming: Christ Alone

“Anyone of his people among you – may the Lord his God be with him ...”
~ 2 Chronicles 36: 23

Gathered into Community

Welcome & Announcements

- *Gathering Song: Come, Thou Almighty King, GPH #246
- *Silent Prayer ending with: Be Still, for the Presence, LUYH #532
- *God’s Greeting
- *Opening Song of Praise: Hosanna, SongSelect

Reconciled within Community

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness

Holy Living Instruction

Song of Thanksgiving: I will Sing of My Redeemer, LUYH #568

Children: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Prayer of blessing after which children, Ages 3 to Grade 4, leave for Sunday School

Shaped into Community

Bible Reading: 2 Chronicles 36: 15-23 (read by Julie)

Sermon: Jesus + Nothing

*Song of Response: In Christ Alone, LUYH #770

Heard within Community

Prayers of the People

Youth, Grade 5 to Grade 8, leave for Sermon Review

Sent into Community

Offerings: 1. Church Budget 2. Teen Challenge

Ministry of Music: King of My Heart by John Mark & Sarah McMillan

*Closing Song: You Are My King (Amazing Love), LUYH #360

*God’s Blessing

*Doxology: He Knows My Name, LUYH #339

***Indicates: please stand, if you are able**

Church Family

Please remember in your prayers those who are confined to their homes: Bertha, Janet, Grace, Ben, Margaret, Ben, Doreen, Alice, and Diane.

As a church family we extend our sincere Christian condolences to **Grace & Martin, John & Mary, Alice & John, Ann**, and their families and extended family, with the death of their sister **Patricia**, from Kitchener, this past Wednesday. Patricia had suffered a seizure. The funeral service was held yesterday at Kitchener's Community CRC. Pray God provide comfort and hope to everyone who grieves this loss.

Pray for **Sylvia** as she continues her journey with colon cancer. Pray for daily encouragement, treatment effectiveness and the experience of God's presence.

Following testing on November 14 and 20, the specialist concluded **Pastor Paul** will need some additional testing. One appointment is booked at the Guelph Medical Imaging Centre for this coming Tuesday morning and arrangements for a CT Scan are pending. Pray for timely and clear results.

As a church family we extend our congratulations to **Carolyn & Mark** who were united in Christian marriage yesterday here at the Drayton CRC! Our congratulations extends to both the families. May the Lord bless this newly-wed couple!

As a congregation we also rejoice with the families as **Suzanne** and **Quinton** hope to be married tomorrow, November 27, in Cuba. We pray for traveling mercies and a day of much celebration including the gift of love, Christian marriage and fellowship.

Continue to pray for **Andy & Evelyn** as they are serving with World Renew: Disaster Response Service in Texas following Hurricane Harvey. Pray for daily strength and wisdom as they join a team engaging a hurricane-damaged property re-build.

Happy Birthday to...

Sunday: Diny
Monday: Marg, Elly
Tuesday: Henk
Wednesday: Theresa, Pat
Thursday: Gerard, Rhianna
Friday: Larry, Lucia

Blessings
COUNT THEM ONE BY ONE



Happy Anniversary to...

Saturday: Sijtse & Jitske

ANNIVERSARY:

This past Friday we celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary with our family. God has been our strength through the years. We are very thankful for His many blessings and for a caring Church family.

~ Henk and Linda

WEDDING BANNES:

We are also pleased to announce that **Suzanne** and **Quinton** will be getting married on Monday, November 27 in Cuba (D.V.). Make God bless Suzanne and Quinton with His peace and joy as they too prepare and anticipate their wedding day! We also pray for safety for the couple and for family and friends as the travel to Cuba to witness this wedding celebration.

Church Calendar

- Sunday:** ~ Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.
~ Sunday School for children ages 3 to Grade 8
~ **Charlie Brown Christmas Party from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.**
- Monday:** ~ GEMS Lasagna Fundraising Dinner
- Tuesday:** ~ Elders Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
~ Cadets Gym Night at Community Christian School
~ Choir practice from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
- Wednesday:** ~ Coffee Break at 9:45 a.m. at the Reformed Church
- Thursday:** ~ Youth @ Operation Christmas Child, meet at church at 6:00 p.m.
~ Evening Coffee Break at Grace house at 7:30 p.m.
- Next Sunday:** ~ 1st Sunday of Advent & Lord's Supper Preparatory Service

From Council & Committees

The Worship Committee would like to invite you to a **Charlie Brown Christmas Party!** In anticipation of our Advent sermon series, "Charlie Brown: Resolving Christmas Trouble", the movie, '**A Charlie Brown Christmas**' will be shown in the sanctuary along with games, food and other activities in the fellowship hall. Everyone, young and old, come join us on **Sunday, November 26, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** for an evening of fun and fellowship.



Coffee! Fellowship! Games! Earlier this year, many of you participated in the Building Blocks of Faith" survey conducted by the Education Committee. Through this survey the Committee learned that one of our congregation's strengths is "Belonging". To celebrate that we all belong to God as well as to our church community, a number of games will be set up in the fellowship hall which can be played during coffee after church. Games like Jenga and shuffle board will be set up on some tables beginning on Sunday, November 26 and remain out through the Advent season. We hope that as you - children, youth, parents, and seniors - play these games together you will know that you belong to God and his church community.

Worship Committee is inviting anyone who would like to suggest a favourite hymn to be sung in our services to please forward (1) Hymn Title and (2) Psalter Hymnal Reference to the Worship Committee Mailbox located near the top right side of our mailbox wall. Our pastors will regularly check this mailbox and gladly arrange for suggestions to be included in our Sunday morning worship.

Sanctuary Use: Worship Committee reminds anyone wishing to use the *church sanctuary space* to simply make a note of that on the calendar outside the secretary's office.

Prayer Announcements: Please be reminded items for prayer are always welcome and can be forwarded to the secretary or our pastors. Special or crisis prayer requests will be processed immediately through our Church Prayer Chain via email or by way of phone call. Other prayer requests may be provided by Thursday's bulletin deadline to be included the following Sunday.

From the Office:

December Newsletter: Submissions are due **Tuesday, November 28** at 9:00 a.m. All groups and committees are encouraged to submit Christmas event schedules and details as well as pictures and details of what you've been up to the last two months.

Important Reminder: Be reminded that ALL bulletin announcements must be in to the office by **9:00 a.m., Thursday mornings!**

Church Events & News

Christmas Day Choir practice takes place this **Tuesday evening** from **7:30 – 9:30 p.m.** in the church sanctuary. Anyone interested in joining the choir, especially tenors and bass, is welcome to come and sing! Please contact Susan Foster for details.



Ambassadors Christian Male Chorus will be hosted by our church's Worship Committee here at the Drayton CRC on **Saturday, December 9, 2017** at **7:30 p.m.** They will be performing "*The Winter Rose*" Cantata by Joseph M. Martin and the evening will include singing of some favourite Christmas songs. A free-will offering will be received.

Attention Congregation!

Our youth group's annual Progressive Dinner is fast approaching! The youth love this opportunity to visit the homes of 3 members for food and to fellowship with people in our congregation. If you are interested in hosting approximately 25-30 youth on Thursday, December 21 for either: appetizers, the main course, or dessert, please let Sonia know! We start around 6:00 p.m. and visit at each home for approximately 45 minutes. If you have any questions or would like more information, feel free to ask any of our Youth Leaders! It is a fun experience and a great way to connect and meet our youth!

Resonate Global Mission: Dear friends at Drayton CRC, thank you for your generous gift towards the ministry of Resonate Global Mission—your congregation is making a difference and building up the global church! We recognize that with these gifts also come the prayers of God's people. Your congregation's giving in the amount of \$2,277.75 is changing lives and communities. We are grateful to have partners in ministry like you. Your partnership with Resonate means that your congregation is joining God on mission. Through missionaries, church planters, and ministry leaders here in Canada and around the world, you are having an eternal impact. The work of missionaries and church planters has grown the church in amazing ways, but this work isn't finished yet! More than 1.5 billion people still have not heard the gospel. Together with you, we are continuing to build up God's church—planting churches and supporting ministry in Canada as well as sending missionaries around the globe to share the good news—to the ends of the earth. Thank you for joining us in living out the gospel.

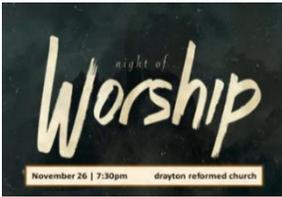
Blessings, Annette Van Soelen, Church & Missionary Support Coordinator [Resonate Global Mission](#)

Young Adults



College/University Care packages: Help encourage our students (there are 12) by filling the care packages in the fellowship hall. Write a note on one of the cards provided, or bring in your own cards. Fill the boxes with treats etc. (See the display in the fellowship hall for suggestions). **TODAY** is the final day to fill the boxes as they will be packaged and sent out this week! Thank you for all your support.

Requested Announcements



Night of Worship: We hope you will join us at the Drayton Reformed Church **TONIGHT** for a special evening of extended powerful worship and praise of our awesome God! Bring a friend, your family, or just come by yourself. Whether you are young or older, we would love to have you! So, come as you are, participate as you like, and leave refreshed and refueled.

CLOTHING DRIVE for Cinderella Boutique in Arthur! Looking at cleaning out your closets? Now is a great time! We will be collecting quality used women's clothing including purses, scarves, hats, gloves, jackets, accessories, new underwear, bras, socks and hygiene products. Please bring your donations to Drayton Reformed Church between Nov 16-26 and drop it off in the Sunset room downstairs adjacent to the nursery. Proceeds from Cinderella's Boutique help fund the Beauty for Ashes Transformation House (BATH). BATH is a home for women exiting human trafficking, the sex trade and addictions. Contact Grace Van Ankum (647-389-7042) if you have any questions.

More than "Welcome"! Are you "included" in the life of church? Does everyone in your congregation "belong"? Join us on Thurs. Nov 30 @ 7 P.M. at Calvary CRC, 265 Middletown Rd, Flamborough for dessert over a presentation and discussion on what it means to be a congregation that not only welcomes people but misses them when they are not there. Using her own story of raising children with disabilities, Sara Pot (sara-pot.squarespace.com/theipotfamily/) will facilitate our evening, giving us time to both listen and interact as we explore ways our faith communities can share the Kingdom expression of belonging. Along with enjoying some fellowship and treats, the night promises meaningful ideas sharing on how we can truly be a community where every single person belongs. For more information, visit www.orchardhome.faith.

Drayton Ministerial is planning to host a Community Christmas Celebration at the Drayton Arena on Sunday, December 3, starting at 6:30 p.m. This hour of fellowship and worship will include musical talent by the Moore Family, a dessert buffet and hot drinks. Material donations will be received for Mount Forest Ramoth House. Some donation ideas include the following - **for babies:** bibs, baby hooded bath towels, baby bowls, newborn diapers, newborn baby girl clothes, sudocream (for diaper rashes), teethers. **Household Items:** pasta sauce, cookies, juice (bottle/can), paper towels

You are invited to our annual **Dutch Christmas Carol Service** @ Emmanuel Reformed Church, 170 Clarke St. Woodstock, Sunday, **December 3rd at 3:00 p.m.** Rev. Ralph Koops brings us the message Coffee following the service.

Senior Centre for Excellence CONGREGATE DINING PROGRAMS 12:00pm – 2:00pm.

People of all faiths welcome! Presentations are free and begin at 12:30pm; if you would like to come for lunch the cost is \$12. Please register by calling 519-638-1000. **For the winter months if the buses in North Wellington don't run our programs are cancelled.**

Please come to our next program being held at the Drayton Reformed Church on **Friday, December 8 @ 12 pm** and learn about **"Estate Planning"** from Mary-Lou Fletcher of Woods, Clemens, Fletcher & Cronin Professional Corporation, and local Draytonite, who will be discussing Estate Planning and how to ensure that your end of life wishes are adhered to.

Royal Terrace Christmas Gifts: On behalf of the Royal Terrace Volunteer Committee, we are asking churches in the area to kindly consider supporting the residents of the Royal Terrace at Christmas Time. You can do this by sending them a gift of no more than a \$10.00 value to Royal Terrace by Friday, **December 1**. These gifts will be opened by the residents at the volunteer Christmas Party on Friday **December 8**. These donations will help the moral and spirit of the elderly and will be much appreciated. Thank you for your kind support and generosity. Without you we cannot make these events happen. There is a list of residents with gift suggestions that have been appointed to Drayton CRC in the Fellowship Hall on the Events Board. Also, all are welcome to join us on December 8 at 2:15 p.m. for an afternoon of festive treats, entertainments and to see the joy on the residents faces when they open their special gifts.

FREE Community Skate Everyone is invited to lace up their skates for a FREE Community Skate Night sponsored by Community Christian School at the Drayton PMD Arena on Saturday, December 9 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. The theme for the night is Jingle Bells – come dressed up!

KINGDOM BOUND 2018 - Sunday, July 29 – Wednesday, August 1, 2018, Darien Lake, NY
Hey Families from Trillium League, do you have children in grades 4 to 8? This is a great way to get them started on Christian music. Kingdom Bound is a 4-day Christian music festival at Darien Lake amusement park and it is time to start thinking about ordering your tickets. Tickets are \$175 Canadian per person, which includes a 4-day pass into the park, the music festival, and a campsite with hydro and water service. To buy tickets at this fantastic rate, please have orders and payment to Ray Heeres before March 8, 2018. Contact: 170 Wallace Ave. N. Listowel, Phone: 519-291-3649, Cell: 519-492-2042

Youth Group News



Thursday, November 30: We will be going to **Operation Christmas Child** in Kitchener. Please be at the church at 6:00pm.

Thank you to everyone who has filled shoe boxes so far. If you haven't done so, there is still time to get one filled. Please have all filled shoe boxes returned to the church by **Tuesday, November 28**. The Youth Group will bring them to the warehouse and then help sort boxes this week. If you need further instructions, or ideas on what should and shouldn't be included, please visit www.SamaritansPurse.ca

Youth! Save the date! **Thursday, December 21** is our annual Youth Progressive Dinner! This is always a fun evening you won't want to miss! Keep your eyes open for a \$10.00 gift for a game to end the night with!

SERVE 2018 Summer Mission Trip: Our summer SERVE site is booked! We will be travelling to Douglas, Massachusetts to spend a week serving at Children's Havens Camp from August 4-11. There are 17 youth spots available. If you are planning to go, you can reserve your spot with a \$50 deposit. More information on how to register and make full payment will follow shortly.

News from North America

Advent Devotional Series: This Advent, ReFrame Media offers a special email devotional series just for you. With daily devotions and encouragements from Today, Family Fire, Groundwork, and the fun of Kids Corner, we designed it to help your whole family experience the true wonder of Christmas, the coming Christ. Subscribe at reframemedia.com/advent.

Prepare Your Heart: - Starting December 4, 2017, World Renew and the CRC Office of Social Justice will distribute a free email devotional to your inbox during Advent. Don't let Christmas presents overtake the Christmas Presence. Sign up to receive reflections on Christ's incarnation and daily presence in our lives with Immanuel, Incarnate, every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday through Christmas Day. Go to crcna.org/advent to sign up today!

A Theology of Star Wars - Are you excited about Star Wars: The Last Jedi? Some of the sharpest thinkers on theology and pop culture explore key themes in the preceding films in "A Theology of Star Wars," an ebook from Think Christian. Sign up to receive Think Christian articles by email and the ebook is yours! Learn more at thinkchristian.net/starwars.

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FAMILY FIRE - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

GOD'S WORK GOES ON - Many of us struggle with over-scheduling and repeatedly find ourselves over-committed. Yet we often wonder, "If I'm not around to do it, who will?" Join Groundwork in studying 2 Kings 2:1-18 to learn more about our servant participation in God's kingdom work. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

KIDS CORNER - MVP - In this classic episode Lucille starts her program for broadcast on WLZR, Liz's radio station. One of her callers is Colleen, a basketball player, who is sick of her parent's attention. But Rita O'Dell, a famous player, helps Colleen to see that having supportive parents is really a blessing. Check out KC's Gifts of Kindness Advent Calendar and Devotional and invite your whole family to join you in giving daily gifts of kindness. www.kidscorner.net

Tour the Biblical Lands of Israel - February 12 – 23, 2018. Experience a renewal of your faith and a deeper understanding of the Bible, as you tour Israel with teaching host Pastor Peter Tuininga, and Sindbad Tours. See many biblical places (Jerusalem, Galilee, Caesarea, Jericho and more), and gain spiritual and historical insights that will make the Bible come alive for you. For information, cost, and registration, go to toursofisrael.wordpress.com, call Peter Tuininga (289 877-8433), or e-mail peter.tuininga@gmail.com.

Free Workshop on International Disaster Response - Are you moved to help those affected by disasters around the world, but unsure how? Please join World Renew's International Disaster Response team at Clearview Christian Reformed Church in Oakville this evening at 7:00 PM for a free workshop. You'll learn about how you can use your project management experience and volunteer with World Renew to help families in dozens of countries around the world as they recover from disasters!

Keeping in Touch.... The following are asked to send a card, letter or email to:

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Mark & Heather Knetsch..... Bill & Pat
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Serving Elders & Deacons for November:	Arnold Nanda Phil Tyson	Serving Elders & Deacons for December:	Julie Alfred Albert Randy Adam Grace
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November Back West Back East Back Centre Upstairs	Ushers John Ed Teresa	Serving in Foyer Nov 26 - Rita Dec 3 - Arnold Dec 10 - Nanda Dec 17 - Phil	Floating Greeters: Nov 26 - Doug & Sandy Dec 3 - Doug & Sandy Dec 10 - Roelie Dec 17 - Roelie
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	November 26, 2017	December 3, 2017
Greeters	Ed & Jeanette	Bep
Coffee Servers	Tony & Jane Albert & Martha	Art & Mary Alfred & Helen
Sound System	Tony Til	John
Power Point	Mandy	Sid
Hall Monitor	Teresa	Martha
Library	Sharon	Jill
SS Assistant	Abby	Aidan
Grade 5 & 6 SS	Bep	Yvonne
Grade 7 & 8 SS	Phil	Francis
Nursery	Sonia Lauren Leanna Mikayla	Sandy Brandy Dorothy Karissa
Little Lambs	Cheryl Lauren	Rob Brayden
Subs	Sandy Karissa	Tracy Abby
Bingo at the Terrace	Dec 6: Margaret & Lucy; Dec 20: Jane	
Royal Terrace	Dec 3: Jane; Dec 10: Drayton RC; Dec 17: Mary	