

Drayton Christian Reformed Church

88 Main Street East ~ P.O. Box 129 ~ Drayton, Ontario ~ N0G 1P0

"Sharing God's Grace and Hope"

HAPPY
Thanksgiving
DAY

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

1 CHRONICLES 16:34



October 7, 2018

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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.

A special *welcome* if you are visiting with us! Together we look forward to experiencing the Triune community of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit through our worship and fellowship.

October 7 ~ Today's worship service is team-led by **Pastor Paul Droogers** and **Mr. Nick Kuiper** from Acton, ON. Mr. Kuiper serves as a Licensed Exhorter or Preacher within Classis Huron, and as he returns to Drayton we look forward to his ministry among us.

October 8 ~ Tomorrow (Monday) morning we hope to gather for our **Thanksgiving Day** service starting at 10:00 a.m. Our time together, led by **Pastor Paul Droogers**, will consist of song, readings, prayer and giving. Please be reminded

October 14 ~ Next week Sunday, Lord willing, we have the opportunity to welcome the **Teen Challenge Women's Choir** to Drayton. Members of the choir will lead us in a time of reflection and praise as they share stories of addition, recovery and restoration; stories that image the good news of the gospel of Jesus. Please be encouraged to invite anyone you know who may benefit from this powerful ministry. A **Soup & Bun Luncheon** will follow with a freewill offering for the ministry of Teen Challenge.

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



Offerings:

SECOND OFFERING: Please make cheques payable to "Drayton CRC Charity Fund."

October 7: **1: Budget 2: Community Christian School**

A Christian education turns mirrors into windows. Our mission is to educate children in a respectful, nurturing Christian community through Christ-centered programs. Let us support this school with our gifts today to help provide tuition assistance to those who need it. Please give generously.

October 8 - Thanksgiving Day Offering: Canadian Foodgrains Bank

ALSO, on Thanksgiving Day, the Deacons are once again holding their annual food drive for the local food bank. Examples of items in need are: rice, oatmeal, cereals, school lunch items, puddings, fruit cups and toiletries like toothbrushes, toothpaste and soap bars. Thanks for your generosity.

October 14 ~ **1: Budget 2: Community Christian School**

Also, a **Soup and Bun Luncheon** will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall with a *freewill offering*. **All proceeds go towards Teen Challenge!**

Collections Received: ~ September 30, 2018 ~ Race Relations

Stewardship Thought:

"Bring the best of the firstfruits of your soil to the house of the Lord your God."

~ Exodus 23: 19a

Drayton Christian Reformed Church
Sunday, October 7, 2018
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Worship Leaders: Mr. Nick Kuiper
Pastor Paul Droogers
Music Leader: Susan Foster

*“... all plotted together to come and fight against Jerusalem and stir up trouble against it.
But we prayed to our God and posted a guard day and night to meet this threat.”*

~ Nehemiah 4: 8-9

Gathered

Welcome

- *Gathering Song: *“Sweet Hour of Prayer,”* SongSelect
- *Silent Prayer ending with: *“My Faith Looks Up to Thee,”* GPH #262: 1, 3
- *God’s Greeting
- *Opening Song of Praise: *“This Is My Father’s World,”* GPH #436

Reconciled

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness

Holy Living Instruction

Song of Thanksgiving: *“In Christ Alone,”* LUYH #770

Sunday School Dismissal:

Children: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Prayer of blessings after which children, age 3 – Grade 4, leave for Sunday School

Equipped

Bible Reading: Nehemiah 4

Sermon: **Our Church is Under Attack**

*Song of Response: *“Jesus, with Your Church Abide,”* GPH #508: 1, 3-5

Heard

Prayers of God’s People

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

Sent

Offerings: 1. Drayton CRC Budget 2. Community Christian School

*Closing Song: *“There’s No God as Great,”* GPH #517

*God’s Blessing

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

Church Family

Please remember in your prayers those who are confined to their homes.

After learning of a gall bladder and liver cancer diagnosis only two weeks ago, **Janet** entered palliative care at the hospital in Palmerston this past Monday. The Mohle's ask we continue to pray for peace, pain control and healing all in the spirit of Philippians 1: 6 which testifies "... being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on ..."

As a congregation we extend our sincere Christian condolences to **Ed & Peggy**, their children **Courtney and Blake**, including the entire Huberts family, with the death of Ed's father **Ben H.** this past Monday evening. May the "Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort" (1 Corinthians 1: 3) provide comfort and resurrection hope to all who grieve this loss.

This past week the Heidbuurts were informed that **Jerry's** parathyroid surgery will hopefully be fast-tracked. Recent tests confirm Jerry is a good candidate for this procedure which should help lower his calcium levels and lessen his confusion. Pray the date for this operation might soon be determined.

Following a prostate cancer diagnosis four years ago **Henk** learned that as he continually undergoes treatment, cancer has spread to some of his bones. Henk has begun six intravenous radiation bone cancer treatments scheduled for every four weeks. Pray this coming week's blood test results will be favourable for his second intravenous radiation next week. Pray also for treatment effectiveness including manageable side effects.

Even as we prepare to welcome the Teen Challenge Women's Choir we pray for **Zachary**, currently part of the rehabilitation program at London's Teen Challenge Men's Centre. May God provide him daily strength and encouragement as he wishes to overcome addiction struggles.

Celebrations:

Happy Birthday to ...



Sunday: Irene S.
Monday: Jolene H.
Wednesday: Brandy R.
Saturday: Harold S., Henk T.



Happy Anniversary ...

Sunday: Andy & Evelyn
Monday: Hank & Clara
Tuesday: Elden & Julie
Wednesday: Steve & Judy, Tyson & Lauren



Church Calendar

- Sunday:** ~ Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.
~ Sunday School ages 3 to Grade 8
- Monday:** ~ **Thanksgiving Day Service At 10:00 a.m. & Drayton Food Bank Drive!!!**
- Tuesday:** ~ Cadets 7 to 9:00 p.m.
~ **Council Meeting at 8:00 p.m.**
- Wednesday:** ~ Coffee Break Morning at 9:45 a.m.
- Thursday:** ~ Catechism/Youth Group meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- Next Sunday:** ~ Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. – **Teen Challenge Women's Choir**
~ Sunday School ages 3 to Grade 8

From the Office

October Newsletter: November Newsletter submissions will be due October 23.

Office Note: Denise will be *out of office* during the week of October 8 to 12. Yvonne Vandenberg will be in the church office during that time in her absence.



Please remember to turn **ALL LIGHTS OFF** and **close doors** if you are the last person to leave after group meetings or committee meetings in the evening.

Church Events

Teen Challenge Event: A team from Teen Challenge Women's Centre will be at the **Drayton Christian Reformed Church at 88 Main Street East, Drayton, next Sunday, October 14 at 10:00 a.m.** Teen Challenge students share their stories of addiction, recover and restoration with their families. Bring a friend and be inspired by a message of hope and God's power to change lives!



*A **Soup and Bun Luncheon** will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall with a **freewill offering**. All proceeds go towards Teen Challenge!*

Youth Group / Catechism



Youth Group Fall Retreat: Thank you to everyone for your support and prayers.

Thursday, October 11: Youth in Grade 9 – 12, come join us for youth group from 7:30-9:30!

Saturday, October 13: Reconnect: Restored in Relationship with Jesus 7:00-9:30 ...

Attention All Youth in High School!!!

You are invited to a Reconnect night with Selah Fire Sr Youth on Saturday, October 13 from 7-9:30 at Community Christian School. Come meet and worship with other youth in Drayton, Palmerston and Listowel! Brandon Richardson will be the speaker for the night and the theme will be *Restored in Relationship with Jesus*. It is \$8.00/ youth. Take a friend!!! Please let Sonia know if you plan to attend.

Thursday, October 18 - Regular Youth Group Night

Thursday, October 25 - Teen Talks

Congregation Please Help! We are looking for some people to host our **Teen Talks** for youth group. These happen once a month where we meet at someone's place and dig into every day issues that youth face. We could have around 30-40 people come out! If you are willing to have us come to your place to meet and eat your food 😊 please let us know! If you would like more information, please contact Sonia (hsbrouwer@tdtech.ca). Our first one is scheduled for October 25 and our second one is November 22. Thanks for considering!

From Council and Committees

Thanksgiving Blessings: The Grade 7 GEMS were busy on Monday evening decorating the church for Thanksgiving Season. Our theme this year is to "Be a Blessing." We pray you as a congregation will be "blessed" by our decorating efforts. God Bless, Grade 7 GEMS.

Church Council will meet this coming **Tuesday evening, October 9, at 8:00 p.m.** Any council member unable to be present is asked to please let Chair Person Alfred Rumph know. .

Worship Committee encourages us to prayerfully consider opportunity for ministry involving both worship service video technology and sound technology. The committee hopes to fill one or two more sound operator positions and two or three video operator positions. If you believe God is calling you to serve him in this way, please contact committee chair person Yvonne. at 519-638-2125 or feel free to speak with any committee member.

Worship Committee has learned that our organ builder will be removing the old organ peddle board in the next couple of weeks. Due to significant delays from US suppliers, parts have been reordered from Canadian suppliers meaning our new organ console should be installed in time for Christmas.

Requested Announcements

Ramoth House Annual Fundraising Dinner: Ramoth House would like to invite you to our fundraising dinner being held on **Friday, October 12 at 6:30pm** at the Mount Forest Recreational Complex. Join us as we raise funds towards Operating Expenses and Ramoth Renovations, and to hear about one of our mom's journey through Step 1 and will be residing in our Step 2 Ramoth Apartments program when she shares her story with you. Individual tickets are \$30 and a table of 8 can be purchased for \$240 – invite friends and make an evening of it, we anticipate a great night! Please contact the Ramoth office at (519) 323-3751 or email Shirley Boonstra at sboonstra@ramoth.ca if you are interested. The deadline to reserve your tickets is Sept. 27, 2018.



Woodland Dessert and Benefit Auction
October 20, 2018
Dinner and admission \$12 at the door.
Everyone welcome!

INVITATION: Edvance Christian Schools Association launch GALA. Christian Education in Ontario is not without its challenges. Christian educators and leaders can often feel isolated, unknown or even threatened. But there is much to celebrate! Christian schools have contributed much to this province and are strongly positioned to contribute going forward. You are invited to celebrate and learn with Edvance Christian Schools Association on Thursday, October 25! Edvance is founded on the strong legacies of three former associations (OACS, Edifide, OCSAA) and is oriented to serving the issues common to all Christian schools. The Edvance launch GALA at the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum in Mount Hope, ON is on October 25, 2018. Doors open 5:30 pm; event begins 6:00 p.m. Buy tickets or sponsor a table for eight and invite others to join you to your table. **Register here by October 14, 2018:** www.edvance.ca/gala

Celebrate Christian educators and catch a glimpse of the exciting future of Christian education in Ontario!

News from North America

HAMMER AND NAILS - Spike has a problem with anger. Grandpa tells him a story about another boy who had the same problem, and how he learned to control it. Subscribe for free at getkidscorner.com. Check out KC's new Mezuzah craft at www.kidscorner.net.

THE FALL - Adam and Eve, a snake, and a tree—the most recognizable elements in the biblical story depicting the origin of sin. Join Groundwork as we study Genesis 3 to explore the Bible's explanation for humanity's ugly side and the world's brokenness; together we'll discover proof of God's love through it all. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Family Faith Formation Tip - Involve kids in the practice of hospitality as often as possible. When you're expecting a guest, invite them to help prepare and serve food, choose flowers for the table, create place cards, and brainstorm conversation ideas or sightseeing destinations. Encourage them to help you create a home where all are welcome. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

LIBERTAS MALE CHOIR IN CONCERT WITH THE URKER MANS FORMATIE IN A JOURNEY TO CHRISTMAS - Director: Martin Mans. Organist: Martin Zonnenberg. Pianist: Mark Brandwijk. Join us at one of four concerts: Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 7:30 pm in Orillia Presbyterian Church St Andrews (99 Peter St N, Orillia, ON, L3V 4Z3); Thursday, November 29, 2018 at 7:30 pm in Knox Presbyterian Church (59 Riddell St, Woodstock, ON, N4S 6M2); Friday, November 30, 2018 at 7:30 pm in Central Presbyterian Church (165 Charlton Ave W, Hamilton, ON, L8P 2C8); and Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 7:30 pm in Knox Presbyterian Church, 142 Ontario St, Stratford, ON, N5A 3H2). Go to www.libertasvoices.com for tickets online. Info@libertasvoices.com Tel: 905 522 0001. Also, tickets sold at the door!

Giving Thanks and Freeing Families from Poverty - Happy Thanksgiving from World Renew! We are so grateful to you and your church for demonstrating God's abundant grace through your prayers and gifts in support of Free A Family®. We praise God that Free A Family® programs in agriculture, health, literacy, and more, are equipping families to use their God-given skills and resources to care well for their families and strengthen their communities. These programs are carried out through

Christian partners that use holistic, faith-based approaches to development and nurture a family's relationship with God as they find long-term solutions to poverty. To find out more about Free A Family® or sign up to become a regular supporter for just \$27 a month, go to freefamily.org.

Words of Encouragement

How does God want us to relate to one another in the Body of Christ?

Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs.

Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord.

~ Ephesians 5:19

Keeping in Touch.... The following are asked to send a note of encouragement to:

Nitin & Ruth Albert & Shirley
 ~ email: nrsardar@gmail.com

Jonathan & Janice Jack & Theresa
 email: jbarnhoom@crnpartners.org

Kathleen Mark & Katie
 email: klauder@worldrenew.net ~ skype: kathleen_lauder


Mark & Heather Rob & Krista
 ~ email: pastormark@reslifenc.org ~ Phone: 919-482-2382

Serving Elders and Deacons for October:	Julie Alfred Andy Grace Jitske		
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October Back West	Ushers	Serving in Foyer	Floating Greeters:
Back East	Albert	Oct 7 – Nanda	Oct 7 – Elden & Julie
Back Centre	Tom	Oct 14 – Sid	Oct 14 – Elden & Julie
Upstairs	Clara	Oct 21 – Phil	Oct 21 – Roelie
	Candace	Oct 28 – Teresa	Oct 28 – Roelie

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Greeters	Hank & Alice	John & Heather
Coffee Servers	Bep Phil & Yvonne	Wes Sid & Arlene
Sound System	Tony	John
Power Point	Tom	Wes
Hall Monitor	Theresa	Mary Ann
Library	Tracy	Sharon
Joel SS Assistant	Janice	Abby
Gr. 5/6 SS	Mike	Corrina
Gr. 7/8 SS	Phil	Francis
Nursery	Mary Brandy Dorothy Kamryn	Corrina Teresa Jitske Shawna
Little Lambs	Rob Madison	Gerri Ainsley
Subs	Amy Jenna	Katie Anna

Thanksgiving Day	Power Point: Nathan D.; Sound: Maynard D. Nursery: Amy V., Justine W., Anny R., Jenna D. LL: Cheryl R., Aidan R.; Subs: Corinna D., Shawna R.	
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Nursery Parents	October: Ray & Janelle; November: Mark & Katie
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Bingo at the Terrace	Oct 17: Yvonne D., Jane H.; Nov. 7: Elly H. & Theresa D.
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Sermon Notes

