

Drayton Christian Reformed Church

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"Sharing God's Grace and Hope"



1st Sunday of Lent

March 10, 2019

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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.

Welcome to worship today! 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.

March 10 ~ Today marks the **First Sunday in Lent**, a season inviting us to make our hearts ready for remembering the sacrifice of Jesus and celebrating his resurrection. Our time of worship is led by **Pastor Paul Droogers**.

March 17 ~ Next week Sunday, the **Second Sunday in Lent**, our worship service will be led, Lord willing, by retired pastor **Rev. Ralph Koops** from St. George, ON. We welcome Pastor Ralph back to Drayton and look forward to his ministry among us.

 **Coffee Fellowship:** Please join us after the service for coffee and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.

Offerings:

March 10:

1: Budget

2: New Life Counselling

March 17:

1: Budget

2: Huron Campus Ministry

Our Vision: Huron Campus Ministry is a Christ-centered fellowship that is celebrating the Lordship of Jesus Christ, growing in faith, building community, and engaging campus, bearing witness to God's love for this world

Collections Received: ~ **March 3, 2019** ~ **Food Grains Bank**

Stewardship Thought:

"Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need.

The remainder is needed by others."

~ St. Augustine

Church Calendar

Sunday:

~ Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. ~ **1st Sunday of Lent**

~ Sunday School ages 3 to Grade 8

~ Daylight Savings ☺

Monday:

~ MARCH BREAK BEGINS

Tuesday:

~ Cadet Gym Night

~ Committee of Stewards meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

~ NO Coffee Break

~ *Annual Day of Prayer*

Thursday:

~ NO Youth Group / Catechism

Sunday:

~ Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. ~ **2nd Sunday of Lent**



Drayton Christian Reformed Church
Sunday, March 10, 2019
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Worship Leader: Pastor Paul Droogers
Music Leader: the branch
First Sunday in Lent

*"The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart,
O God, you will not despise."*

~ Psalm 51: 17

Gathered

Welcome

Announcements

*Gathering Song: *"Blessed Be Your Name,"* LUYH #343

*Silent Prayer ending with: *"Beautiful Saviour,"* GPH #461: 1,2,4

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

*Opening Songs of Praise: *"Hallelujah (Your Love Is Amazing),"* SongSelect
"O Come to the Altar," SongSelect

Renewed

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness

Holy Living Instruction

Song of Thanksgiving: *"The Wonderful Cross,"* LUYH #176

Sunday School Dismissal: Children say - "The peace of Christ be with you."

All others say - "And also with you."

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

Equipped

Bible Reading: Daniel 3: 13-29

Sermon: **Fiery Faith**

*Song of Response: *"When Peace like a River,"* GPH 489

Heard

Prayers of God's People

Youth, Grade 5 to Grade 8, leave for Sermon Learnin'

Sent

Offerings: 1. Drayton CRC Budget 2. New Life Counselling

Offering Music Ministry: *"Love Like This"*

*Closing Song: *"Jesus Messiah,"* SongSelect

*God's Blessing

*Doxology: *"He is Lord,"* GPH #633

***Indicates:** please rise, in body or spirit

Church Family

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

We continue to think of **Jerry H.** and **Jenny M.** who are both at St. Joseph's Health Care Centre in Guelph. May their ongoing therapy and rehabilitation provide them strength and increased mobility.

Continue to pray for **Markus F.** currently serving with Empower Global at the Saint Michel Agricultural Project in Haiti. We give thanks for last week's safe travel update. Pray that plans for a second well may come together and pray that continual education, discipling and modeling may serve to provide greater self-reliance within this community.

This past Friday **Nicole H.** joined a team from Woodland Christian High School to serve with World Renew in Guatemala. World Renew has been in Guatemala since 1976 and works through civil associations (originally diaconal ministries) in Huehutenango, Quetzaltenango, Peten and Alta. Nicole will be gone ten days and work at a medical clinic in addition engaging local residents. Pray the Spirit will lead them in this ministry. May the team be encouraged and grow in their faith.

After undergoing some testing, **Janet G.**, mother of **Jill D.** from Cedar Lake, IN, has been diagnosed with stage 1 lung cancer. This past Thursday Janet had another biopsy done that will hopefully provide greater clarity for possible treatment options. Pray results will soon be available to help determine next steps.

This coming week **Pastor Vic V.**, from Kitchener, will receive another round of chemotherapy for his lymphoma cancer. Following his last treatment, the Vandermolens were informed Vic's lymphoma is terminal meaning the outcome of chemo treatments is quite uncertain. Pray God will bring Pastor Vic through another difficult week. Pray for treatment effectiveness and manageable side effects. Anyone wishing to send a note of encouragement is invited to do so. Vic and Nancy's address is 302-215 Victoria St. S., Kitchener, ON, N2G-4Z7.

As a congregation we extend our congratulations to our previous pastor **Rev. Gary Bomhof & Cathy D.** who were united in Christian marriage yesterday at the First Christian Reformed Church of Red Deer, AB. May the Lord bless and keep Pastor Gary & Cathy as they transition into this new chapter in their lives.

Today, March 10, has been designated by our denomination to be **Justice and Hope Sunday.** The **Centre for Public Dialogue**, located in Ottawa, ON, reminds us "seeking justice with marginalized neighbours begins where Genesis begins: with the conviction that every human being is made in the image of God." Pray for the team at the Centre for Public Dialogue as they deeply desire to speak hope into Canadian public dialogue on key issues of justice and reconciliation.

Celebrations

Happy Birthday to ...



Sunday:	Bruce R.
Monday:	John C., Bob S.
Tuesday:	Ty K., Jackson K.
Thursday:	Grace S.
Friday:	Jonathan S.
Saturday:	Hank R.



From Council and Committees

Personnel Committee: Since the vacancy of our Youth Pastor position, last fall, Church Council has prayerfully been thinking about team ministry here at Drayton CRC. As part of that journey, council discerned a need to review all the job descriptions of our church staff. After much careful thought and consideration of our church ministries and efficiencies, council felt led to combine the current positions of Administrative Assistant and Treasurer into one, new Administrative Assistant position (complete with a new job description) effective April 1st. This new position within the life of our congregation, with new office hours of Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., is open to any individual who believes God is calling them to serve His church in this way. Anyone interested in finding out more details about this new position, anyone interested in providing a resume or set up an interview, please contact Personnel Committee member Jane M. at jnmlr@hotmail.com or call 519-638-5331.

The **Congregational Meeting/Potluck Supper** will be on **Wednesday, March 20 at 7:30 p.m.** The Agenda, minutes and reports are printed in booklet form and are in your mail slot. Please read reports before the meeting and bring along with you to the meeting on March 20.

From the Education Committee: The Sermon Review class has a new name! From a large list of ideas suggested by the Grade 5-8 kids the committee chose the name Sermon Learnin'. Thanks for all the awesome suggestions. Also, due to the size of the Grade5/6 class the group will be split into two smaller groups. Thank you, leaders for your willingness to help out with this change.

Worship Committee:

- would like to remind the congregation that **favourite hymn** or song titles can be requested for use in worship services by dropping a note in the Worship Committee mail box. Please list the song title and possible book reference. Favourites are continually included wherever possible or appropriate.
- is continually seeking to improve the worship service video recording ministry within our church. Our service recordings have been made into **"closed" YouTube links** (not available to the public) and can be provided to those who are not able to come to Sunday morning services. If you would like to receive the link, please let Yvonne Vandenberg know.

2019 Yearbook: The *2019 Yearbook* has come in. There are a few copies in the office for \$14.00 if you would like to buy one.

Lost and Found: A set of car keys on a blue lanyard was found in the parking lot.

April Newsletter: Submissions due March 26.

Youth Group/Catechism

March 14 ~ No Youth Group because of March Break

March 21 ~ Movie Night – To Save A Life

March 24 ~ *Youth Lead Morning Service* and *Soup & Bun Luncheon* to follow ☺

March 28 ~ Regular Youth Group Meeting from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Requested Announcements

I Am Not My Own Tour: Jeremy Benjamin is touring CRC churches across Canada as part of his "I Am Not My Own" tour and he will be at Orangeville CRC (50 Blind Line) on **Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.** for an acoustic concert. The concert will be relaxed and authentic, with Jeremy leading in worship through story and song. A freewill offering will be taken, with 45% of the proceeds going to World Renew and food relief in Nigeria, 45% going to The Lighthouse for food relief in Orangeville, and 10% helping to support Jeremy's worship ministry. Visit iamnotmyown.org for more information.

FINDING HOPE in the midst of ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION with Kimberly Whyte:

(NEW DATE) Wednesday, March 20th, 7:30 pm at Drayton Reformed Church (74 Wellington Street, S. Drayton, across from Drayton Heights Public School). Kimberly Whyte is a Registered Psychotherapist and works as a Christian Counsellor with By Peaceful Waters. She has her undergrad from Emmanuel Bible College and a Master's degree from Laurier University. She serves as an adjunct faculty member in the counselling department at Emmanuel Bible College. Kimberly is passionate about being a support to those who are encountering challenging times in their lives.

On **Sunday, March 24, 2019, Orangeville Christian Reformed Church** will be hosting a **Youth Dinner and Worship Service**. The Orangeville CRC youth have been busy planning a time of worship, fellowship & fun for all youth in Classis Toronto and Huron. The worship service will begin at 4:30 followed by dinner & games. Pastor Andrew will speak on our identity - we can rejoice that being a Child of God frees us from fear and insecurity! Make it a road trip for your entire youth group or just come with a friend or 2. Families are also welcome!

Coffee Break and Small Group Workshop - Join us at Bethel CRC in Listowel, Ont. on **Monday, March 25, 2019 (9:30am - 3pm)**! Marian Lensink of Global Coffee Break (CRCNA) will lead a workshop focused on engaging scripture together, leading a small group well, praying in and for our groups, and having an evangelistic perspective. Cost: \$35. Register online at listowelworkshop.eventbrite.com by Wed. March 20. Anyone involved in a small group of any kind is invited to attend. Lunch and refreshments are provided. For information, contact Lindsey Hiemstra (tliemstra@gmail.com or 1-519-291-8126).

Aging: the Final Frontier is a one day conference held on **Saturday, March 30** at the Gibson Center in Toronto, 5 minutes east of HWY 404 and Steeles Ave. Co-sponsored by CRC Faith Formation Ministries and CRC Disability Concerns, the workshops will address issues faced by the elderly, those who ministry to and with the elderly in our churches, those who have elderly parents, and those who are pondering what life may be like as one ages. There is a 25% discount for those who come with 5 or more from one church. For more information and to register, google "Aging Final Frontier."

Organ Concert: Friday, April 5, 2019 730 pm Grand Valley Canadian Reformed Church. Andre Knevel Organ - Liselotte Rokyta Panflute- Chorus of Praise Male choir and Cornerstone Christian School Band of Guelph. This is a Benefit concert for the Cornerstone band. Free admission- a free will offering will be held for the band. More information www.gvconcert.com

Guelph & Area Right to Life Association alerts us to this year's 40 Days for Life Campaign running from **March 6 until April 14**. All area churches are invited to participate in this season of prayer. This is a great time to focus on the pro-life message, highlight local resources such as pregnancy help ministries and post-abortion healing resources. Most of all, it is a time when we recognize God's power and our need for Him as we are seeking change of hearts and healing. For more information please visit www.guelphforlife.com or call them at 519-836-6311.

Teen Leadership Training is coming to Drayton Reformed Church on **Friday & Saturday, April 12 (7:00 – 10:00 p.m.) & 13 (9 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)**. The last two summers God has blessed the SU (Scripture Union) Sports Camp here in Drayton, and the organizing team has identified emerging young leaders. To help disciple and build up these leaders Jonathan Murray, Training & Outreach Co-ordinator for SU Canada, will come and lead them through team-building activities. Teens ages 14-18 are invited to register for this free event at draytonsportscamp@gmail.com. Lunch will be provided on Saturday.

News from North America

A Lent Devotional Series - Lent is a season to focus on the hope of Jesus Christ. Receive a free Today devotional email series to help you refresh, refocus, and renew your faith during Lent. Or download the ebook! Subscribe at TodayDevotional.com/Lent.

Biblical Guide to Discipline - Discipline is one of the most important—and challenging—responsibilities of parenting. "Biblical Discipline: A Guide for Christian Parents," an ebook from Family Fire, offers encouragement and answers your questions about child discipline. Get the ebook with your free email subscription at FamilyFire.com/Discipline.

GROUNDWORK: OUR FAILURES AND GOD'S RESCUE - Do you ever feel like you continually struggle with the same sins? Join Groundwork as we examine Judges 2:6-9 to study the pattern of Judges and from it draw encouragement for our faith and confidence God will rescue us if we cry out to him. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

YEAH, WHATEVER - Liz decides to adopt an "I don't care" attitude when he gets a bad grade. What can Grandpa do to help him change his attitude? Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes. Download KC's Lent 2019 devotionals to lead your family's bible study as you prepare for Easter.

Pray for Inspire 2019 - Inspire 2019 is a conference to connect people from across the 1000+ churches in the Christian Reformed Church for three days of worship, workshops, speakers, and conversation. As we plan and prepare for this event, happening August 1-3 in Windsor, Ont., please join us in praying for the event and all who will attend. This week, please pray for the ministries, businesses, and

organizations who will be presenting and interacting in the EXPO at Inspire 2019. Pray for helpful and gracious interactions and conversations that will bless both representatives and those with whom they're sharing.

Lent Family Faith Formation Tip: - Observing Lent with your family can be a very meaningful experience. Check out tinyurl.com/FlameLentActivities for a bunch of creative things to make and do with kids of all ages. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

Make a difference this summer! - You can make a difference in the life of a young person in Hungary this summer! Resonate partner Momo Victor is inviting college-aged students from Canada and the United States to help lead two week-long evangelistic English camps. You'll need a love for kids, a sense of adventure, and a desire to serve God! Learn more and apply at resonateglobalmission.org/summercamp.

Words of Encouragement...

Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up...

~ 1 Thessalonians 5:11

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

- Nitin & Ruth S**..... Ed & Rita
 ~ email: nrsardar@gmail.com
- Jonathan & Janice B**..... Ed & Lauren
 ~ email: jbarnhoorn@crnapartners.org
- Kathleen L**..... Ed & Jeanette
 email: klauder@worldrenew.net ~ skype: kathleen_lauder
- Mark & Heather K**..... Jamie & Rebecca
 ~ email: pastormark@reslifenc.org ~ Phone: 919-482-2382

Serving Elders for March 2019:	Sid Andy Phil Dave Grace		
Ushers Back West Back East Back Centre Upstairs	John Ed Teresa	Serving in Foyer Mar 10 – Doug Mar 17 – Nanda Mar 24 – Jitske Mar 31 – Ryan	Floating Greeters: Mar 10 – Steve Mar 17 -Doug & Sandy Mar 24 - Doug & Sandy Mar 31 – Elden & Julie

	March 10, 2019	March 17, 2019
Greeters	Art & Alice	Harry & Jane
Coffee Servers	Steve & Tamara Al & Jolene	Al & Crystal Ed & Peggy
Sound System	Maynard	Kees
Power Point	Nathan	Wes
Videographer	Brenden	Pat
Hall Monitor	Randy	Teresa
Library	Jill	Julie
Joel SS Assistant	Carolyn	John
Gr. 5 & 6	Alfred & Bep	Arnold Yvonne
Gr. 7 & 8	Francis	Paula
Nursery	Becca Arlene Kelly Julia	Brandy Evelyn Melinda Kaeley
Little Lambs	Cheryl Joel	Brenda Levi
Subs	Brandy Kaeley	Jeanette Meagan
Nursery Parents	March: Herman & Heather; April: Dave & Amanda	
Bingo at the Terrace	Mar 13: Joyce & Rita; March 27: Yvonne & Margaret	
Royal Terrace	February/March: off	