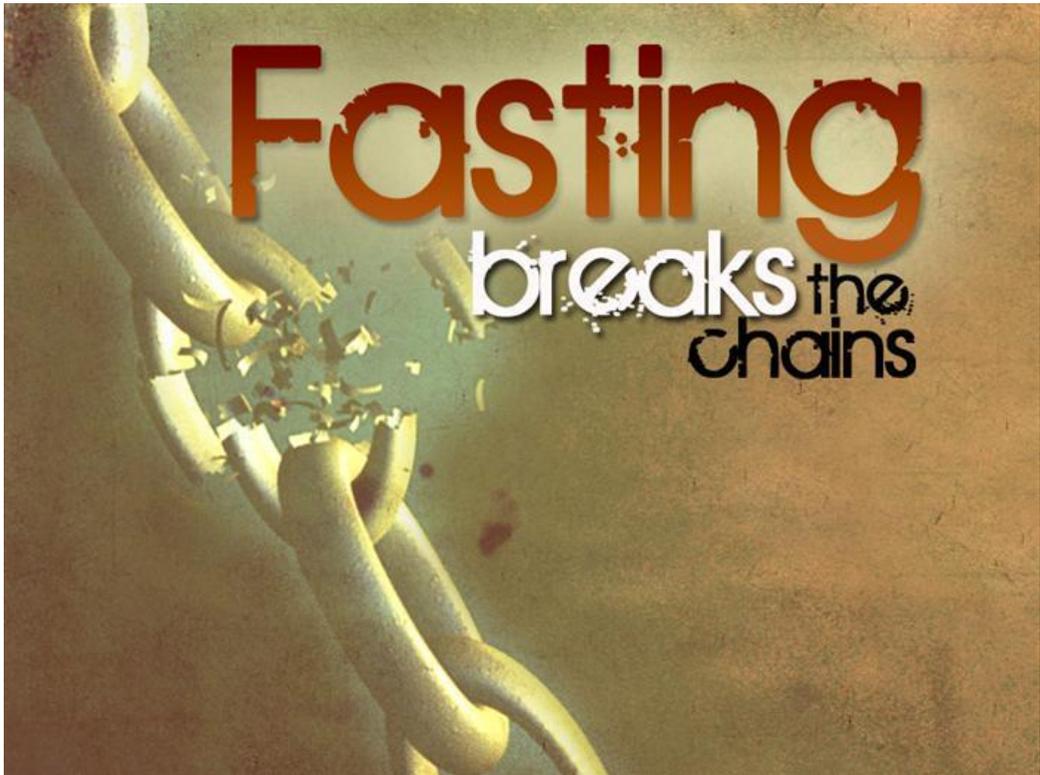


Drayton Christian Reformed Church

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"Sharing God's Grace and Hope"



April 7, 2019
5th Sunday of Lent

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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 along with printed lyrics of songs not found in the grey Psalter Hymnal** are available.

Please contact an usher if you wish would like to receive these options.

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.

April 7 ~ Today marks the **Fifth Sunday in Lent** and **World Renew: Refugee Sunday**; a season inviting us to ready our hearts for remembering the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ and celebrating his resurrection. Our time of worship is led by **Mr. Frank Folkema** who serves as a licensed exhorter (preacher) within Classis Huron and is a member of Palmerston CRC. We welcome Frank to Drayton and look forward to his ministry among us.

April 14 ~ Next week Sunday is **Palm Sunday** also known as **Passion Sunday**. Even as we prepare to raise our Hosanna's and welcome the participation of **Sunday School children**, we are mindful the events of Palm Sunday have Jesus weeping over the fact that it's easy to misunderstand his suffering as "the only atoning sacrifice setting us free from eternal condemnation" (Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 37). The service will be led, Lord willing, by **Pastor Paul Droogers**.

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



Offerings:

April 7:

1: Budget

2: World Renew (Refugee Sunday)

Today is Refugee Sunday! - Thank you for celebrating 40 years of World Renew's Refugee Program in Canada and for demonstrating the compassion of God by supporting refugees! Your prayers and generous gifts will enable the Refugee Program to continue to assist churches as they respond to the many refugees in urgent need of compassion and protection. To find out more about refugee sponsorship, 40th anniversary events, and additional opportunities, go to worldrenew.net/40yearsofwelcome or contact Rebecca Walker at 905-336-2920.

April 14:

1: Budget

2: Community Christian School Bursary Fund

A Christian education turns mirrors into windows. Our mission is to educate children in a respectful, nurturing Christian community through Christ-centered programs. Please support CCS with your gifts to help provide tuition assistance to those who need it.

Collections Received: ~ March 31, 2019

~ Resurrection Life Church

Stewardship Thought:

"We should use all our money for the Lord. That is, we should use all our money in a way God would approve. In that sense, all of our money is to be given to the Lord.

Stewardship is to be total, not partial." ~ Wayne Mack

Drayton Christian Reformed Church
Sunday, April 7, 2019
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Worship Leader: Mr. Frank Folkema
Music Leader: Vois
Elder of Service: Doug S.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

“Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and provide the poor wanderer with shelter . . . ?”

~ Isaiah 58: 6-7

Gathered

Welcome

Announcements

*Gathering Song:

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness,” GPH #556

*Silent Prayer ending with:

“Draw Me Close to You,” SongSelect

*God’s Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

*Opening Song of Praise:

“Build Your Kingdom Here,” SongSelect



Renewed

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness

Holy Living Instruction

Song of Dedication:

“And Can It Be,” GPH #267

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:

Isaiah 58

Sermon:

True Fasting

*Song of Response:

“Ten Thousand Reasons,” LUYH #559

Heard

Prayers of God’s People

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

Sent

Offerings:

1. Drayton CRC Budget 2. World Renew: Refugee Sunday

Multi Media Presentation:

“WR 40th Anniversary for Refugee Sponsorship”

*Closing Song:

“When We Walk with the Lord/Trust and Obey,” GPH #548

*God’s Blessing

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

True Fasting ~ Isaiah 58

Questions for Review:

1. How would you define what a fast is?
2. Do all religious faith groups fast? Which group does not?
3. Have you ever participated in a fast? What did you give up?
4. Do you think fasting is effective for getting closer to God?



Church Family

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

This past Tuesday **Teunie L.** underwent mastectomy surgery at Kitchener's Grand River Hospital. Together with the Laros family we give thanks this operation went well and Teunie was able to return home also on Tuesday. Pray for healing from surgery. Pray for patience in waiting for follow up scheduled April 16. Pray for continual medical clarity in preparation for six weeks of radiation treatment.

On Thursday **Hank Z.** moved from the hospital in Palmerston to Arthur's Caressant Care nursing home where he will be able to receive needed care. Pray for patience and encouragement in this time of transition. Pray peace and encouragement for Grace and Z. family as they too adjust to this new normal.

Last Wednesday **Janet G.**, mother to **Jill D.**, learned she has been diagnosed with metastatic endometrial cancer which is considered to be a "limited stage 4 cancer." Doctors describe this to likely have originated from uterine cancer for which Janet was treated a few years ago. Pray for continual healing from surgery. Pray for patience in waiting for doctors to provide Janet details for her chemotherapy treatment plan starting in the near future.

Together with Mary Ann Frei we give thanks to God **Markus F.** was able to travel safely back to Ontario from Haiti this past Tuesday. Plans are already underway for him to return to Haiti late April or early May so ongoing projects can be continued. The congregation is invited to make a special note of the trip to Haiti Markus is planning for October-November of this year. The trip would provide an excellent opportunity for people with mechanical skills such as welding or plumbing to join Markus. It is hoped different buildings or shops can be added to the Saint Michel Agricultural Project to help provide greater sustainability within the community. There will also be opportunity for youth or young adults to join Markus in about a year when accommodations have been built providing opportunity to also help build the church community. Pray for this project and all preparations. Be sure to ask Markus Frei any questions you may have or let him know of your desire to help support him in this ministry.

Celebrations

Happy Birthday to ...

Sunday: Steve K., Averl H., Sabrina D.
Monday: William H.
Wednesday: Hank S.
Thursday: Bertha D.
Friday: Brent M.
Saturday: John D., Bep V.



Happy Anniversary to ...

Tuesday: Albert & Shirley S., Albert & Janice V.
Thursday: Clarence & Arlene P.

From Council and Committees

Deacons -Resonate Global Missions Thank You: Dear Congregation: You are telling the good news that salvation in Jesus is more precious than gold! Thank you for walking with the missionaries, church planters, and campus ministers who work around the world. It is such a privilege to partner with mission-minded people like you in declaring the glory of God! In Psalm 19, David describes how the words of God are precious and sweeter than honey. He reminds us how all creation pours forth praises to God. "Their voice goes out into all the earth," he writes—and that's the same mission you're invited to be a part of. That's why Resonate wants to see all our churches working in concert. When I read this Psalm, I'm reminded of how wonderful it is to be part of the body of Christ. God's Word is refreshing, it gives joy, and it gives light. I hope you experience God refreshing your soul in this new year! And thank you for helping us to spread this light throughout the world! Together with you, we can send the good news of the gospel to echo everywhere like an expanding, amplifying sound. Thank you for joining with Resonate in following our Rock and Redeemer in mission! In Christ, Rev. Zach King, Director

Deacons - NewGround (formerly Operation Manna) 2019 Offering: Have you heard the news? As of March 1st, 2019, Operation Manna is now NewGround! God is always at work. He calls churches to follow Him into their communities to share Christ's transformational love with each and every person. Cities and neighbourhoods should be impacted and blessed through the social action and thoughtful, cultural engagement of local Christians. It's time to roll up our sleeves and join Him! On Sunday, May 5, we will join together with CRC's across Canada to take an offering for NewGround (formerly Operation Manna), a program of Diaconal Ministries Canada. Learn more about this program by visiting the DMC website at diaconalministries.com/newground. ~ The Deacons

Council wishes to remind the congregation of our upcoming **Mortgage Reduction Drive**, taking place from **April 15-20, 2019**. Recently a letter was placed in your mail slot; it contains more information about this fundraising opportunity and how it is connected with the Estate Gift received by our congregation in 2016. This drive has the potential to greatly reduce the balance of our mortgage, and we encourage our members to prayerfully consider how they can contribute! **A council member will be contacting you during the drive week, to make arrangements to receive your contribution.** If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact your Council member.

Committee of Stewards: The Committee of Stewards would like to thank **Art N.** for the years he has spent making the **flower beds around the church** look great. Art is stepping down from his volunteer work in keeping up the gardens and therefore the committee is looking for a new volunteer(s) to do the job. If you are interested, or want more information, please call Dave K.

Worship Committee:

- would like to update the congregation on our **organ project**. Builder Leslie Smith has shared he is struggling with his health and admitted this has been ongoing for some time already. It is hoped that following some care and rest he will be able to complete our project over the summer.
- 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 V. know.

Announcements

SORT AND PACK: We will be having a Sort and Pack on **Wednesday, April 10**, from 1 – 4:00 p.m. We also hope to be tying some quilts. Your interest and help are appreciated! We kindly ask anyone who is able to spare an hour or two to come out and help. It is a great time of fellowship and working together to help those in need. Thank you on behalf of Canadian Food for Children.



Easter
Morning
Breakfast

Easter Morning Breakfast: Easter is the most important event on the Christian calendar, we celebrate Christ's victory over sin and the grave giving us comfort and hope. On Easter morning (**April 21**), the Deacons along with the Outreach committee are hosting a potluck breakfast from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. before the service. Service will begin at 10:30 right after breakfast. Please feel free to invite friends and neighbors to celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death.

New Photo Directory: WE NEED EVERYONE! AND EVERYONE IS WELCOME! The Drayton CRC's last photo directory was published in 2014. Were you in the last one? Do you look the same? IPC Photo Canada works with hundreds of churches across Canada every year. They will be coming to our church from **Tuesday, April 30th to Saturday, May 4th.**

Sign up tables have been set up in the fellowship hall. Be first to get the time and date that suits you best. For more information contact Yvonne V. at pyvandenber@gmail.com

Sunday School: Sunday School will be taking up **collections** in the weeks leading up to Easter and into the summer months to purchase from the World Vision gift catalogue. We wish to bless children from developing nations. Thanks for helping the children in their ministry goals. ~ Cynthia D., Sunday School treasurer.

April Newsletter: The *May Newsletter* submissions are due **April 26**.

Youth Group/Catechism

April 11 ~ Regular Youth Group Meeting from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Church Calendar

- Sunday:** ~ Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. ~ **4th Sunday of Lent**
~ Sunday School ages 3 to Grade 8
- Tuesday:** ~ Cadets 7 -9:00 p.m.
- Wednesday:** ~ Coffee Break 9:45 a.m.
- Thursday:** ~ Youth Group 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
- Saturday:** ~ **CCS Bazaar**
- Sunday:** ~ Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. ~ **Palm Sunday**



Community Christian School

Community Christian School is hosting its "Let the SON SHINE" Spring Bazaar and Auction on **April 13, 2019** at the PMD Arena in Drayton from 9:30 am - 3:00 pm. This will include silent auctions, fresh baking, homemade crafts and home decor, games for the whole family and more. As the tradition continues, we will be collection for the Drayton Food Bank as the Admission (or a free will offering). The Pulled Pork Dinner and Dessert will be offered from 5:00 pm till 7:00 pm for "eat in" or the "take out" option. The Live Auction will begin at 7:00 pm. Come help Celebrate SPRING! For more information contact Sheree D. (sheree.devries@gmail.com) or Tryphena D. (btjubiland@gmail.com) Facebook: Community Christian School's Let The SON SHINE Spring Bazaar.

Christian Education Week – April 23 to April 26

In celebration of *Christian Education Week* from **April 23 – 26**, we invite you to come visit our school and check out what we are all about. On **Wednesday, April 24** you are all invited to our Open House. Parents and guests are welcome to visit classrooms anytime during the day between 9:00 and 3:00pm. In the afternoon on Wednesday, and in the morning on Thursday, we will be hosting a "Living Books" Book Fair. Please come and see what is being offered. Fifteen percent of all sales goes back to the school.

Grandparents and Grandfriends are invited to **Grandfriends Day on Thursday, April 25** between 11:00 am and Noon to visit their grandchildren's classrooms. All students and grandfriends will enjoy a soup and bun lunch at the Drayton CRC at 12:30 pm and then watch as the students perform "Nic at Night" for their grandfriends.

To end the week, the students will be celebrating the end of the Jump Rope for Heart campaign by participating in heart healthy activities on Friday afternoon at the school.

Please contact the school for more information or visit our website at www.ccsdrayton.org. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Requested Announcements

Looking for a Room is **Mikaela Adams** from Meaford, ON. Mikaela received a job at the Hensall Co-Op here in Drayton and is looking for a place to stay from **April 22 – August 30**. This would be 4 nights a week as she hopes to travel home to Meaford over the weekend. Mikaela can cook for herself and will also be doing summer school in addition to her work at the Co-Op. If you know of anyone with a room, or if you are able to help out yourself, please connect with Pastor Paul or contact Mikaela directly at mikaelaadams17@gmail.com or 519-477-2447. Thank you!

Shalom Israel, the 'Holy Land' Journey - Pastor Stephen of Trinity Christian Reformed Church in Goderich, Ontario is planning a guided tour of Israel from November 21-December 1, 2019. This tour will allow you to experience firsthand the places of the Bible and the land where Jesus lived. During the tour we will go to Capernaum, Sea of Galilee, Jericho, Jordan River, Masada, Ein Gedi, Dead Sea, Caesarea Philippi, Tel Dan, Nazareth, Megiddo, Jerusalem and the Garden Tomb. At each location we will spend time reading scripture and learning how it applies to our lives. You can find more information

about this tour by visiting <http://gotourisrael.com>. If you are interested or want more information you can contact Pastor Stephen at 519.955.4148 or trinity.pastorstephen@gmail.com.

Classis Huron invites applications for a part-time two-day a week Mission Catalyzer position. If you are a mission minded, motivated, visionary person who is excited to engage in equipping, encouraging and empowering congregations with the resources and training to further develop mission-shaped ministries both locally and globally, this may be your opportunity. For full job description see position posting at <https://network.crcna.org/church-positions> Resumes will be received at churonmissioncatalzyer@gmail.com until April 18/2019.

Teen Leadership Training is coming to Drayton Reformed Church on **Friday, April 12 (7:00 – 10:00 p.m.) & Saturday, April 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.

Discover Joy with Dr. Grant & Kathy Mullen is coming to Community Mennonite Fellowship Church here in Drayton **April 14 and 15**. Come be a part of this transformational mental health weekend. No registration is needed and there is no cost; however, free will offerings will be taken to help cover costs. The schedule and topics are **Sunday, April 14:** "Your Mood Matters" at **2:30 p.m.** and "Freedom From Shame" at **7:00 p.m.** **Monday, April 15:** "The Supernatural Power of Forgiveness" at **7:00 p.m.**

Waterloo Friendship Club invites you to celebrate with them their 30th Anniversary of Friendship Club on Sunday, April 14th at 2:00. It will take place at the Waterloo Christian Reformed Church, 209 Bearinger Rd., Waterloo. The entertainment will be the Crescendo Choir; refreshments to follow.

Inspirational Women's Conference - Join us **Saturday, April 27, 2019** at the Meeting House in Oakville, ON. With demands of work and family, women often juggle many responsibilities and struggle to be 'enough'. The good news is that Jesus is enough! All women are invited for a day of inspiration, worship, and fellowship, with the theme of In You. I Am. Enough. My grace is sufficient. 2 Cor. 12:9. Speaker: Megan Fate Marshman; Worship Leader: Brooke Nicholls; Storyteller: Sara Weber; Improv: Lea Wilkening and Natasha Bromfield. Come and be refreshed and renewed; bring your friends; invite someone who is seeking! For more information, and to register online, go to www.inspirationalwomen.ca or contact Marian at mlensink@crcna.org.

News from North America

Keep The Banner Going - The annual appeal for The Banner, the monthly magazine of the Christian Reformed Church, is coming to your mailbox this month. Although The Banner is delivered free of charge to every household in the CRC in print and online, our annual donation appeal makes this

possible. To keep the conversation going look for the annual appeal in your mailbox or give online now at www.thebanner.org/donate

Lent Family Faith Formation Tip - As Holy Week approaches, look for opportunities to prepare your kids for what's coming. Talk about the Last Supper and visit tinyurl.com/ChildrenandCommunion for insights into how kids understand communion. In age-appropriate ways, discuss the painful realities of crucifixion. And talk about the miracles described in the Bible as the greatest miracle of all—Christ's resurrection—approaches. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

CRCNA Position Opening - The Christian Reformed Church in North America has a full-time opening for a Communications Team Coordinator in Burlington, Ontario. A detailed description is available at www.crcna.org/jobs. Complete an on-line application attaching a current cover letter and resume by Friday, April 19, 2019, for consideration.

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 atmosphere created by visuals and decor at Inspire 2019, and for those planning this often-overlooked but important part of an event. Pray that presentations visuals, direction signs, and decor help to create an environment where people can listen, converse, worship, and be inspired.

Walking Alongside: Youth and Mental Health Conference - Join us Sat., April 27 (8:15am–3:30pm) at Westdale Reformed Church in Hamilton, ON. Stephen Doucet Campbell will address mental health challenges faced by youth and give practical ideas to walk alongside them. Workshops will address youth and addiction, social media, suicide, and depression. Registration fee: \$38 USD. Groups (2+ from the same church) for \$27 USD per person; student rate: \$19 USD. Registration ends April 17. Get details at bit.ly/walkingalongside or contact Miriam Spies at m spies@crcna.org.

ALL ONTARIO CAMPOREE - Attention, Cadets and Counsellors! Have you heard about the All Ontario Camporee in Dunnville this year? All Cadets and Counselor are welcome to come from August 5 to 10, 2019. We are going to have an AWESOME time there with all kinds of activities. Go to the website www.allontariocamporee.com to register and be sure to check out all activities. Cadets can design a CAMP PATCH and earn the Registration Fee back. If you have any questions give Peter Vandersar a call at 519-536-1200.

CAMP SHALOM SUMMER STAFF - Are you still looking for a summer job? Camp Shalom is hiring! If you love Jesus and like working with kids or individuals with special needs, then this might be for you. Work outdoors with great people, while making a meaningful impact on campers' lives. All positions are paid, and you must be 17 before Dec. 31, 2019. Positions include male counselors, maintenance, kitchen and lifeguards. Visit www.countrysidecamp.com to apply.


 Casting **ALL** your cares
 upon Him,
For He careth for you.
1 Peter 5:7

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

Nitin & Ruth Paula ~ email: nrsardar@gmail.com
Jonathan & Janice Sitsje & Jitske ~ email: jbarnhoorn@crnapartners.org
Kathleen Clarence & Arlene email: klauder@worldrenew.net ~ skype: kathleen_lauder
Mark & Heather Amanda email: pastormark@reslifenc.org ~ Phone: 919-482-2382

Serving Elders for April 2019:	Arnold Julie Alfred Teresa Jitske		
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Ushers Back West Back East Back Centre Upstairs	Albert Ryan Martin Francis	Serving in Foyer April 7 - Andy April 14 – Phil April 21 – Dave April 28- Grace	Floating Greeters: April 7 - Elden & Julie April 14 – Roelie April 21 – Roelie April 28 – Teresa
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	April 7, 2019	April 14, 2019
Greeters	Hank & Alice	John & Heather
Coffee Servers	Ed & Lauren Ed & Jeanette	Mark V Keith & Denise
Sound System	Kees	Maynard
Power Point	Wes	Nathan
Videographer	Rob D	Ryan
Hall Monitor	Arnold R	Randy
Library	Sharon	Jill
Joel SS Assistant	Aidan	Becca G
Gr. 5 & 6	Alfred Bep	Arnold R Corrina
Gr. 7 & 8	Rita	Sid

Nursery	Ann Sharon Leanna Karissa	Tamara Erin E Rachel V Anna
Little Lambs	Sonia Braeden V	Melissa Aidan
Subs	Tamara Anna	Judy Mariah
Nursery Parents	April: Dave & Amanda	
Bingo at the Terrace	April 17: Jane H, Jitske; May 1: Lucy & Theresa D	
Royal Terrace	Apr 7: John Z, Apr 14: Reformed Church	