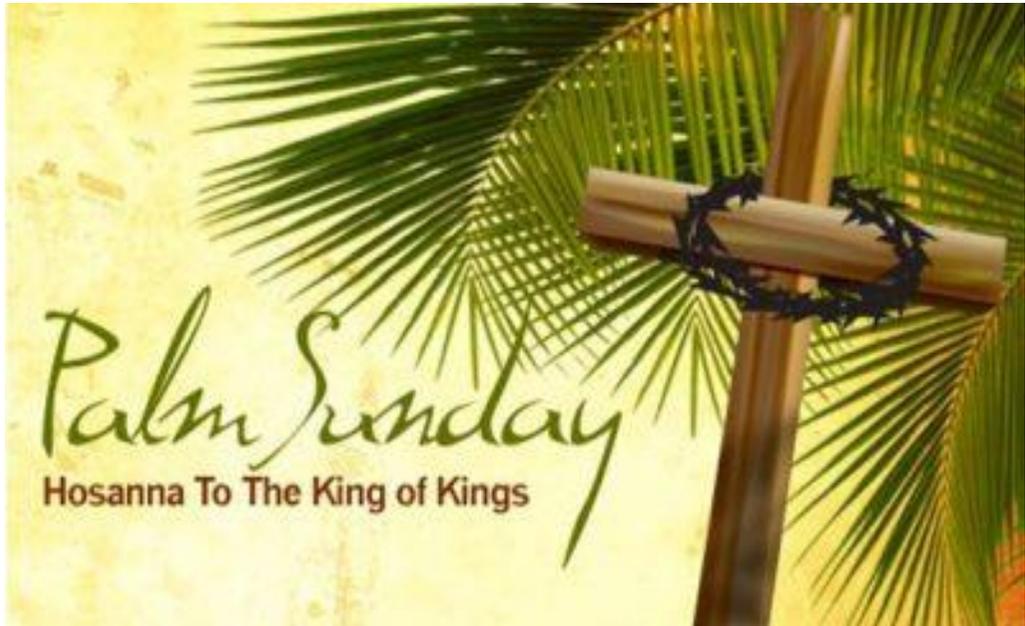


Drayton Christian Reformed Church

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"Sharing God's Grace and Hope"



April 14, 2019

Palm Sunday

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Palm Sunday

*"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"*

~ Luke 19:38



Gathered

Welcome

Announcements

*Gathering Song: *"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna,"* GPH #378

*Children Enter placing palm branches at the front

*Silent Prayer ending with: *"Worthy Is Christ,"* GPH #629

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

*Opening Song of Praise: *"Hosanna/Praise is Rising,"* SongSelect
"All Glory, Laud, and Honour," GPH #376: 1, 2

Renewed

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness

Holy Living Instruction

*Song of Dedication: *"The Power of the Cross,"* LUYH #177

Sunday School Dismissal: Song *"Alive, Alive"*

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: Luke 19: 37-44 & John 11: 32-36

Sermon: A Tearful Entry

*Song of Response: *"How Deep the Father's Love for Us,"* SongSelect

Heard

Prayers of God's People

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

Sent

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

*Closing Song: *"Hear Our Praises,"* LUYH #302

*God's Blessing

*Doxology: *"All Glory, Laud, and Honour,"* GPH #376: 3

*Indicates: please rise, in body or spirit

Sermon Questions & Notes

A Tearful Entry ~ Luke 19: 37 - 44 & John 11: 32 - 36

Questions for Review:

1. What do some of our most powerful tears communicate?
2. Why is Jesus moved to “weeping” in Luke 19: 41?
3. What need in our lives does Jesus identify in Luke 19: 42?
4. Give one or two examples where you are not at peace in your life.
5. How does not being at peace affect us?
6. How does Jesus’ weeping in John 11: 35 point us to peace?



Church Family

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

During our upcoming Good Friday service we will have the opportunity to participate in the Lord's Supper. As we prepare to remember Jesus' sacrificial death, pray the Holy Spirit will create both a deep hunger and deep appreciation for this powerful meal so we can be spiritually fed and encouraged.

As both the Nomination Committee and Church Council continue to engage the nomination process for new elders and deacons, pray the Holy Spirit provide encouragement and direction. Pray God continue to gift his church with leadership even as we seek to faithfully respond to his calling in our lives as individuals and as a congregation.

We have been asked by our denomination's Office of Social Justice to pray for the country of Yemen following last Sunday's bombing in its capital city of Sanaa. Pray the Holy Spirit will move leaders of nations and citizens to more peaceful resolutions everywhere violence or war is present.

Together with World Renew we pray for all people affected by natural disasters. In particular we pray for the country of Mozambique suffering devastation following Cyclone Idai. Severe flooding has affected many people and properties, including more than 1.7 million acres of farm land. Pray relief efforts will effectively reach those in need; pray for the restoration of land.

Thank you for the support and love shown to Henk in so many ways during his journey with cancer and to our family after his passing. Thank you especially for your prayer support. We are blessed with a caring church family. ~ *Linda T. and family*

Celebrations

Happy Birthday to ...

Sunday: Cory S.
Tuesday: Heather M.
Wednesday: Jerry H.
Thursday: Judy D.
Friday: Hank Z.
Saturday: Becca M.



Happy Anniversary to ...

Tuesday: Jan & Mathilde B.
Thursday: Arnold & Sharon M.

From Council and Committees

Deacons ~ NewGround (formerly Operation Manna) 2019 Offering: Why should our church support NewGround? The NewGround Program of Diaconal Ministries Canada partners with deacons and churches to break new missional ground, nurturing Spirit-led ideas into healthy ministries that bear everlasting fruit. When you give, it's not just another offering to another cause; it's about the people who will be reached through your gift. On **Sunday, May 5**, we'll take an offering for NewGround (formerly Operation Manna). To learn more about this revamped program, visit the Diaconal Ministries' website at diaconalministries.com/newground OR visit their Facebook page (@diaconalministries). -The Deacons

Mortgage Reduction Drive: This is the week! Council wishes to remind the congregation that the **Mortgage Reduction Drive** takes place this coming week, from **April 15-20, 2019**. A council member will be contacting you this week to make arrangements to receive your contribution. Please prayerfully consider how you can contribute to this opportunity to greatly reduce the balance of our mortgage! 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 Koster.

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 Vandenberg know.

Announcements

Drayton Food Bank needs you! We have learned that the food bank shelves are critically low at this time so we would like to ask the congregation to help the food bank. **The Deacons plan to have a Food Drive for the Drayton Food Bank on Easter morning. There will be a basket in the front the church on April 21. Please plan to bring plenty of items to fill the basket.**

These are some of the needs: cereal, canned fruit & veggies, rice, peanut butter, jam, oatmeal, pancake mix, flour, oil, school snacks, crackers, cookies, Kraft Dinner, chick peas, canned tomatoes, pasta and pasta sauce. [#feedyourneighbours](https://www.facebook.com/feedyourneighbours). **Thanks so much! ~ Deacons**



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: How many of you forget a person's name after you meet them? Do you know everyone in church? You might know most in your own age group but what about the rest of your church family? IPC Photo Canada will be coming to our church from **Tuesday, April 30 to Saturday, May 4**. Sign up tables have been set up in the fellowship hall. Get the time and date that suits you best. For more information contact Yvonne V.

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

We will be going **paint balling** this Thursday night (**April 18**)! Please meet at the church at 6pm. The cost is \$25 per person plus if you need more paint balls, they are \$10 for another 100. Please make sure you let us know if you plan to come by Tuesday so we can ensure we have enough drivers. See email for more details! Thanks

- April 25** - no meeting as CCS has their spring musical.
- May 2** - road clean up.
- May 9** - year end get together. We will be meeting at CCS for a game of either baseball or volleyball against council and some snacks! More details to follow.
- May 17-20** - All Ontario!!

Church Calendar

- Sunday:** ~ Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m. ~ **Palm Sunday**
~ Sunday School ages 3 to Grade 8
- Monday:** ~ GEMS from 7 – 9:00 p.m.
- Tuesday:** ~ Elders meeting at 8:00 p.m.
~ Deacons meeting at 8:00 p.m.
~ Cadets 7 -9:00 p.m.
- Wednesday:** ~ Coffee Break 9:45 a.m.
~ Committee of Stewards Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
- Thursday:** ~ Youth Group 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
- Friday:** ~ **Good Friday** Service at 10:00 a.m.
- Sunday:** ~ Easter Morning Breakfast from 9 – 10:00 a.m.
~ Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m. ~ **Easter Sunday**



Community Christian School

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!

Attention Congregation: Please save **Saturday, May 5** for a **pancake breakfast** hosted by the grade 7/8 CCS class at our church. The funds raised will go towards their Ottawa trip. Please look for more details to follow soon!

Requested Announcements

Waterloo Friendship Club is 30 years old! Come join us on **Sunday, April 14 (TODAY!) at 2 p.m.** at the Waterloo Christian Reformed Church (209 Bearinger Road, Waterloo) to help us celebrate! We have invited the Crescendo Choir (the Special Education Choir of the Waterloo Region District School Board) as our special guests. Crescendo Choir is comprised of Special Education students and alumni from across the Region of Waterloo. The choir is led by Jim Penner, Nancy Tilt, and Heather Ackersviller. The choir has been a part of the WRDSB for over 30 years in various forms and sings locally at schools, seniors’ homes and a variety of special events. Refreshments will be served after the program. We hope to see you there!

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.

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.**

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. For more information, and to register online, go to www.inspirationalwomen.ca or contact Marian at mlensink@crcna.org.

News from North America

Seeking News Writers From Your Region - Every week and every month Christian Reformed congregations are celebrating milestones, launching new programs, recognizing amazing members, and finding solutions to struggles of doing ministry in our 21-century context. The Banner aims to communicate those stories and we need writers. Are you one? Our news editor would love to work with you to find and tell the stories from your region to the wider church. Inquire at news@thebanner.org today!

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.

GROUNDWORK: GOOD FRIDAY: THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS CHRIST. - The Gospel of Matthew gives us the opportunity to dwell and reflect on the cursedness of the cross. Join Groundwork as we examine Matthew 27:32-66 to focus on the great significance of Jesus’ death that indeed makes his sacrifice good for our eternal life with God. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

TONGUE-ZILLA - What happens when Liz mixes his bad mood with a tongue that just won't quit talking? Trouble. Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC’s weekly emails for future episodes. Download this month’s Kids Corner Easter puzzle and game giveaway The Bible Challenge Activity Book 5.

Help is Only a Call, Click, or Chat Away - We're making it easier for you and your church to access CRC resources. If you're involved in a church ministry and wonder if your denomination can help with something, just CALL (800-272-5125), CLICK (www.crcna.org/Resources), or CHAT (from any page on www.crcna.org). We're here to serve and would love to connect you with people and resources to support your ministry.

Good Friday Family Faith Formation Tip - Without experiencing the darkness of Good Friday, we can’t fully appreciate the joy of Easter. Let kids know that it’s appropriate to be sad this week as we remember Jesus’ suffering and sacrifice but remind them that death does not have the last word in God’s salvation story! (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

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

- Nitin & Ruth S.....** Steve P
 ~ email: nrsardar@gmail.com
- Jonathan & Janice Bn.....** Ryan & Rachel R
 ~ email: jbarnhoorn@crnapartners.org
- Kathleen L** Albert & Martha
 email: klauder@worldrenew.net ~ skype: kathleen_lauder
- Mark & Heather K.....** Alfred & Helen
 ~ email: pastormark@reslifenc.org ~ Phone: 919-482-2382

Serving Elders & Deacons for April 2019:	Arnold Julie Alfred Teresa Jitske	May Elders & Deacons:	Ryan Clara Andy Dave
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Ushers Back West Back East Back Centre Upstairs	Albert Ryan Martin Francis	Serving in Foyer April 14 – Phil April 21 – Dave April 28- Grace	Floating Greeters: April 14 – Roelie April 21 – Roelie April 28 – Teresa W
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	April 14, 2019	Good Friday	April 21, 2019
Greeters	John & Heather	--	Hank & Betty
Coffee Servers	Mark V Keith & Denise	--	Jamie & Becca Ray & Janelle
Sound System	Maynard	John Katerberg	Tony
Power Point	Nathan	Mandy Mulder	Tom
Videographer	Ryan	Steve & Josh DeWeerd	Pat
Hall Monitor	Randy	--	Jane
Library	Jill	--	Julie
Joel SS Assistant	Becca G	--	Carolyn G
Gr. 5 & 6	Arnold R Corrina	--	Yvonne & Phil
Gr. 7 & 8	Sid	--	Francis C
Nursery	Tamara Erin Rachel V Anna R	Judy D Justine W Yvonne D Mariah	Katie S Tanya Alanna Madison R
Little Lambs	Melissa Aidan	Amy Hunter	Becca M Brayden R
Subs	Judy Mariah R	Katie S Madison	Mandy Aniek
Good Friday	April: Dave & Amanda Kr; May: Eddy & Lauren K		
Bingo at the Terrace	April 17: Jane H, Jitske D; May 1: Lucy v & Theresa D		
Royal Terrace	Apr 7: John Zwart, Apr 14: Reformed Church		

