



**Welcome to in-person worship at Community CRC!** While we are not yet at full capacity we are thankful that we can join together in the church sanctuary to worship and praise the Lord with other members! An invitation was sent to members of Community # 5,6,7, and 8 to join us during the worship service this week.

If your Community is scheduled for worship on a particular Sunday, look for an email with the Eventbrite link to sign up on Monday or Tuesday. If there are extra spaces by Friday, a link will be sent to the entire congregation with the bulletin to fill the extra spaces available for the Sunday service. All attendees are required to wear a mask and maintain a 2-meter physical distancing both in the building and while outside.

Note that the schedule for Communities that was posted in the bulletin last week was incorrect. Please read the information below to know what is happening in the next few weeks.

### **Upcoming Service Details for Sunday June 27**

Next week will be Pastor Betsy's final Sunday with us and there are two services scheduled.

**10 am** – indoor | This service will involve the Ordination of Officebearers. **All Officebearers**, (retiring, currently serving, and those whose names will be drawn in the service this morning) **are invited to this service along with their families.** These families will have the opportunity to sign up for in-person worship from Monday – Wednesday of next week. If there are extra spaces by Thursday morning, a link will be sent to the entire congregation in an email to fill the extra spaces for Sunday's service.

**1 pm** - outdoor | This service will be an outdoor Farewell service for Pastor Betsy. The congregation is invited to attend and sign up will be for the first **100 households** only. This event will be held outside in the parking lot and will be socially distanced. Please bring along a chair to sit on and an umbrella if needed. Look for the link on Monday.

The following week we go back to our "regular" process for sign up with Communities as follows:

**July 4:** 1, 2, 3, 4

**July 11:** 9, 11, 13, 14

**10:00am Worship Service**  
**Worship Participants this week:**  
**Preacher:** Pastor Betsy DeVries

<b>GATHERING AND GREETING</b>	
<b>Gathering Song</b>	“O Worship the King”
<b>Welcome and Announcements</b>	
<b>Call to Worship</b>	
<b>God’s Greeting</b>	
<b>Song of Praise</b>	“Ten Thousand Reasons (Bless the Lord)”
<b>CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE</b>	
<b>Call to Confession</b>	
<b>Prayer of Confession</b>	
<b>Assurance of Pardon</b>	
<b>Song of Assurance</b>	“Living Hope”
<b>Children’s Worship Story</b>	
<b>Children’s Worship Song</b>	“He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands”
<b>PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD</b>	
<b>Prayer for Illumination</b>	
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16
<b>Sermon</b>	“By Faith”
<b>Prayer of Application</b>	
<b>RESPONSE TO THE WORD</b>	
<b>Song of Response</b>	“By Faith”
<b>Drawing of Names</b>	
<b>Offering Announcement</b>	Ministries of Community Christian Reformed Church Indigenous Ministry
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	
<b>God’s Parting Blessing</b>	
<b>Doxology</b>	“My Friends, May You Grow in Grace”

**"Mission of God's People" Reflections** | Check out this week's bulletin email for a newsletter about our congregation's reflections on our last worship series, "The Mission of God's People." Folks have responded to questions about mission, work, and technology. Some hard copies are also available at the Welcome Center. Thank you to everyone who shared your thoughts!

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## COMMUNITY CRC CHURCH FAMILY

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(The bracketed numbers indicate the Community to which these individuals belong)

Today is known as Father's Day, and therefore we give thanks for and salute our fathers. We pray for guidance and wisdom for those who are fathers. We pray for those whose father has passed away or for those who never knew their dad or have a strained relationship with their dad. We pray for those who are waiting to become a dad soon or wanting to become a dad and are facing issues of infertility. May the Lord bless this day and may we feel God's goodness and fatherly love daily.

**Congratulations to Isaac and Kristen B (1)** as they will celebrate their 5<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 25, 2021. May God continue to bless and strengthen their marriage for many years to come!

### Matters for Prayer |

- Today we lift up to you **Indigenous peoples in Canada**. We pray for Indigenous communities and families. We pray that God would strengthen, protect, provide for, and encourage First Nations, Metis, and Inuit communities and Indigenous peoples living in urban centres, rural locations and on reserves. We pray for healing for individuals, families, and communities that are still experiencing and struggling with the impacts of the Indian Residential School System and the broader impacts of colonialism.
- Pray for **Pastor Betsy** and her family as they look forward to serving at Bethany CRC in Gallup New Mexico and as enter this time of transition.
- Pray for the **Drayton Reformed Church** community as they mourn the tragic loss

of a young father, **Matt O**. Matt was also a 2005 graduate of Woodland Christian High School. May God strengthen the O family as they mourn and the church community as they support and love this family during this season of grief.

- This week, we especially hold the **Ps in prayer** and their ongoing work to build relationships with and support the Indigenous community on Manitoulin Island.
- We pray for the **safety of our Muslim neighbours**. We especially hold in prayer the family and friends mourning the loss of those they love in an act of violence and hate. May we love our neighbours as ourselves and speak out against hate toward our Muslim neighbours whenever we encounter it - whether in the words and actions of others, or in our own lives and hearts.
- Pray for those new to our community – **new members and attenders** – who have joined us during the pandemic. May they feel the ties that bind us even as we are apart. *\*If there's someone new in your community, reach out with a note or phone call or front porch visit!*
- Prayers of thanks for those who allowed their name stand for nomination
- Prayers for strength for those whose names are called to serve as officebearers as they walk towards ordination in the next week.
- Pray for **Anthony and Barbara P** with Daystar Ministries on Manitoulin Island, **Hank and Rosario S** volunteering in Guatemala, **Pastor Brian B** serving with Waterloo Campus Ministry and **Shannon C** serving as Chaplain at Forest Heights Long term care home.

Dear Church Councils of Classis Huron,  
 The Congregation of Trinity CRC of Goderich proudly invites you to join us as we celebrate the installation of our new Pastor Tim Keep. We will celebrate this blessed occasion through worship and with God's Word on **Saturday, June 26th at 3:00 pm**. Because of COVID restrictions, we invite you to join us via livestream at <http://trinitychurchgoderich.com/>

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### STAFF INFORMATION

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**Pastor Amanda** is preaching at Bethel CRC (Acton) this morning for a classical appointment.

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### UPCOMING SERVICES

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June 27	10 am	Pastor Betsy DeVries Final service at CCRC Ordination of Elders and Deacons
	1 pm	Outdoor Farewell Service for Pastor Betsy
July 4	10 am	Pastor Amanda Bakale

**Upcoming Baptism Sundays** | Are you looking to be baptized or to have your child baptized? The next Baptism Sundays are scheduled for July 18 and August 22. If you are interested in one of these dates, please contact Pastor Amanda.

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### OFFERING SCHEDULE

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**There are two offerings taken on a weekly basis at Community CRC. The first offering is for the Ministries of Community CRC and the second offering is for various causes that our church supports. For more details on how to donate to the church, please see the Resources section on the last page of the bulletin.**

**Next Week our offering is for Indigenous Ministry.** The Indigenous Ministry is made up of a national committee (Canadian Indigenous Ministry Committee), three Urban Indigenous Ministries, and a Justice and Reconciliation Mobilizer, each using their strengths to support healing and reconciliation between Indigenous peoples and non-Indigenous people in Canada. It is rooted in a recognition of our Creator's love for all creation and in the understanding that we all have gifts to offer one another. For more information about the Indigenous Ministry in Canada, please go to <https://www.crcna.org/indigenous>.

**Looking for a way to get involved?** Our denomination has created a learning and action journey designed to equip Reformed Christians to engage with Indigenous people as neighbours called Hearts Exchanged. We encourage you to read all about it and to let us know you're interested at this website: [crcna.org/hearts-exchanged](http://crcna.org/hearts-exchanged)

**Next week the offering is for Laurentian Hills Christian School |** Laurentian Hills Christian School is an independent day school, providing Christian education to students in grades JK-8 since 1967. It is interdenominational, drawing students from over sixty different churches in the Kitchener- Waterloo area.

### Upcoming Offerings:

- July 4 | Centre for Public Dialogue
- July 11 | Raise Up Global Ministries

**Offerings received as at June 13, 2021 including Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) and The Bridge App:**

June 13, 2021	\$	40,979
Year to Date	\$	314,476
Budgeted 2021 Total Contributions	\$	923,460

<b>Second Offerings</b>		
Benevolence Fund	\$	1,575
Missionary Support	\$	950
World Renew	\$	450
Reframe Ministries	\$	300
CCRC Mission Fund	\$	260
Worship Ministries	\$	260
World Renew – India	\$	250
Woodland Christian High School	\$	155
Indigenous Ministry	\$	150
Calvin Seminary	\$	100
World Renew – Maternal/Child Health	\$	100
Laurentian Hills Christian School	\$	55

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## COMMUNITY CRC NEWS

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**Administrative Council** will meet on Tuesday, June 22, at 7:30 via Zoom.

**Today Devotionals** | The July/August edition of the Today Devotional can be picked up while attending the worship service on Sunday or by curbside pickup at the church from Monday-Friday this week from 8:00am – 5:00 pm. The Banner for May and June is also available.

**Digging Deeper into James 5 | Zoom discussion Monday, June 21 from 7:30- 8:30 pm:** Anyone who is interested in digging a little deeper into the challenging passage of James 5:1-6 (which Pastor Betsy preached about on June 6th), through a one-hour Zoom discussion, is invited to join. Here are some of the discussion questions and a link to join.

Discussion questions:

1. What aspects of the "rich oppressors" in this passage are hitting home with you?
2. How would you like to be more aware in your consumption of food and clothing?
3. How does the reference to "silver and gold" apply to North Americans today? Which other words could be substituted in your personal context?

4. How has your understanding of fair wages changed in the past year? What changes in your lifestyle have been prompted by a sense of justice in this area?
5. How can we as believers at CCRC hold each other accountable for what we now know?

Please see an emailed copy of the bulletin for the link.

**Interim Pastor Search Process** | With the ongoing pastoral transition here at CCRC, we are currently in the process of hiring another interim pastor to work alongside Pastor Amanda and Pastor Tom in the coming ministry year. The interim position description is posted on our church website. If you would like to suggest any names to the Search Team, please contact a member of the team: Henry V, Admin Council Chair, Derrick G, Consistory Chair, or Pastor Amanda.

**Thank You, Storytellers!** This week is the last Children's Worship story before a much-deserved summer break for our storytellers: Danielle S, Randy and Diana Z, Mike T, and Mary V. In a time of distance and separation, especially for our youngest members, these folks have worked behind the scenes and in our worship services to provide a place for our little ones to belong and connect. Thank you for all your love of our kids, your exuberant storytelling, and your persistence!

**Coffee Break** | As another ministry year finishes, we want to say thank you to Irene F for her two years of service on the Coffee Break Leadership team! She has greatly blessed the Coffee Break Ministry and the women who attend these past years. As Irene steps down, the Leadership Team is in need of some women to join who are passionate about this ministry. If you are interested in joining the Coffee Break Leadership Team please contact Kirstin B.

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## DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

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**Children's Devotion | We Serve Others** - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). When we think about following Jesus, serving others is at the top of the list. It is a privilege to be able to walk alongside other people and use the gifts that God has given us to share the love of Christ with them as we serve. Listen now at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for all the new content.

**Faith Practices | The Practice of Wonder:** Albert Einstein said, "There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle; the other is as though everything is a miracle." How might you become more attentive to God's miraculous work all around you? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit [crcna.org/FaithFormation/Practices](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation/Practices).)

**Groundwork | Only Glorify Jesus |** The Apostle Paul offers a valuable perspective on power, authority, and leadership in the church, and a vital reminder that Christ is the foundation upon which we should build all things. Join Groundwork as we study 1 Corinthians 3 to gain a better understanding of what it means to dwell in Christ and live and work as believers today. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**Book Discussion | How Do We Think About Failure Theologically?** - Join CRC campus ministers Mike Wagenman (Western University, Ontario) and Rick Mast (University of Alberta) for our final book discussion of the academic year! We conclude with a challenging book: "A Theology of Failure" by Marika Rose. This book/discussion will be perfect for philosophy students and others interested in thinking critically about our assumptions about "success" and "failure" in the work of Slavoj

Žižek (affectionately referred to as today's "rock star philosopher"). We will meet on Zoom on Sunday, June 27 at 8pm ET (5pm PT). Register on [www.WesternCampusMinistry.ca](http://www.WesternCampusMinistry.ca)

**Live Dialogue Series - Human Trafficking Prevention |** Join World Renew in our second dialogue about human trafficking prevention on June 23 at 3PM ET with Esther Kuhn from World Renew Senegal. You'll hear stories from the field where World Renew works proactively with communities to stop human trafficking before it starts. Register on Zoom at [bitly.com/livedialogue](https://bitly.com/livedialogue) or join on Facebook at [facebook.com/worldrenew/live](https://facebook.com/worldrenew/live). The first session was held on June 16 about the theology of flourishing with Rev. Roy Berkenbosch and can be accessed on World Renew's Facebook page.

**Online Course | Certificate in Worship Leadership** - Worship Leaders! Start the conversation now with your church to consider signing up for the online Certificate in Worship Leadership course. Interested? Check out this Network post, which includes a link to the form which will give you a reduced price by registering through Worship Ministries. <https://network.crcna.org/worship/online-worship-training-designing-creative-worship> Registration with Samford runs July 15 - August 1. Questions? Email ([worship@crcna.org](mailto:worship@crcna.org)) or call us (877.272.6202) we are happy to chat. More information on this course is available at: [www.samford.edu/worship-arts/online-certificate](http://www.samford.edu/worship-arts/online-certificate).

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## RESOURCES

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The following donation methods are in place to give to Community CRC and its ministries:

1. Use the Bridge App (or this link): <https://crc.etadvance.com/churches/community-crc-kitchener/donate>. You can make donations using your credit card (note there is a

3% admin fee taken by the processing company) or direct to your bank account (no admin fee).

At this time, we offer opportunity to donate to:

1. Church Budget
2. Capital Fund
3. The work of the Deacons locally (Benevolence) or
4. **\*NEW\* An approved second collection. The Bridge APP now includes a listing of upcoming second collections for the next few weeks.**

Note: if you use the link (rather than the APP), the only payment option is credit card. The Bank account option is only available through the Bridge App. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy W, Treasurer.

2. PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) – monthly pre-authorized payment. Fill out form, along with a blank void cheque by email to [treasurer@ccrc.on.ca](mailto:treasurer@ccrc.on.ca)

3. You can mail your donations to the Church. The mailbox is checked regularly.

4. You can drop off your donation in our drop-off mailslot located on the outside of the kitchen door at the church. This is a secured locked box that safely receives your envelope within the building.



**CAP, or Congregational Assistance Plan, is a way for our CCRC to make counselling services available for everyone in the church.** From time to time all of us are faced with difficulties. Usually, we are able to resolve them. But there come times when our usual ways of coping no longer seem to work. This is especially true in this stressful time of lockdown and pandemic that we find ourselves in. If this is happening to you, CAP offers professional Christian counselling support to you as an individual, as couples, and as families.

Through the Shalem Mental Health Network, CCRC is able to offer a solution-focused counselling model of up to 6 free sessions in a year. A professional Christian counsellor will help you to develop a strategy to cope with and resolve a variety of issues, including marriage difficulties, adolescent and children's issues, bereavement, stress, trauma, depression, anxiety, addiction, abuse and others.

### **What's the First Step?**

To use CAP, you do not need to be referred by your doctor, pastor or elder. Simply call Shalem's CAP number **(1-866-347-0041)** and mention that you are a member of CCRC. An intake staff will ask you a few questions to determine the issue about which you are seeking counselling and to note any specific requests, such as wanting a male or female counsellor, evening appointment times, etc. You will then be contacted by the appropriate CAP counsellor, who will set up your first appointment with you.

**More Questions?** Go to [ccrc.on.ca](http://ccrc.on.ca) and follow the links to CAP or talk to Pastor Amanda.