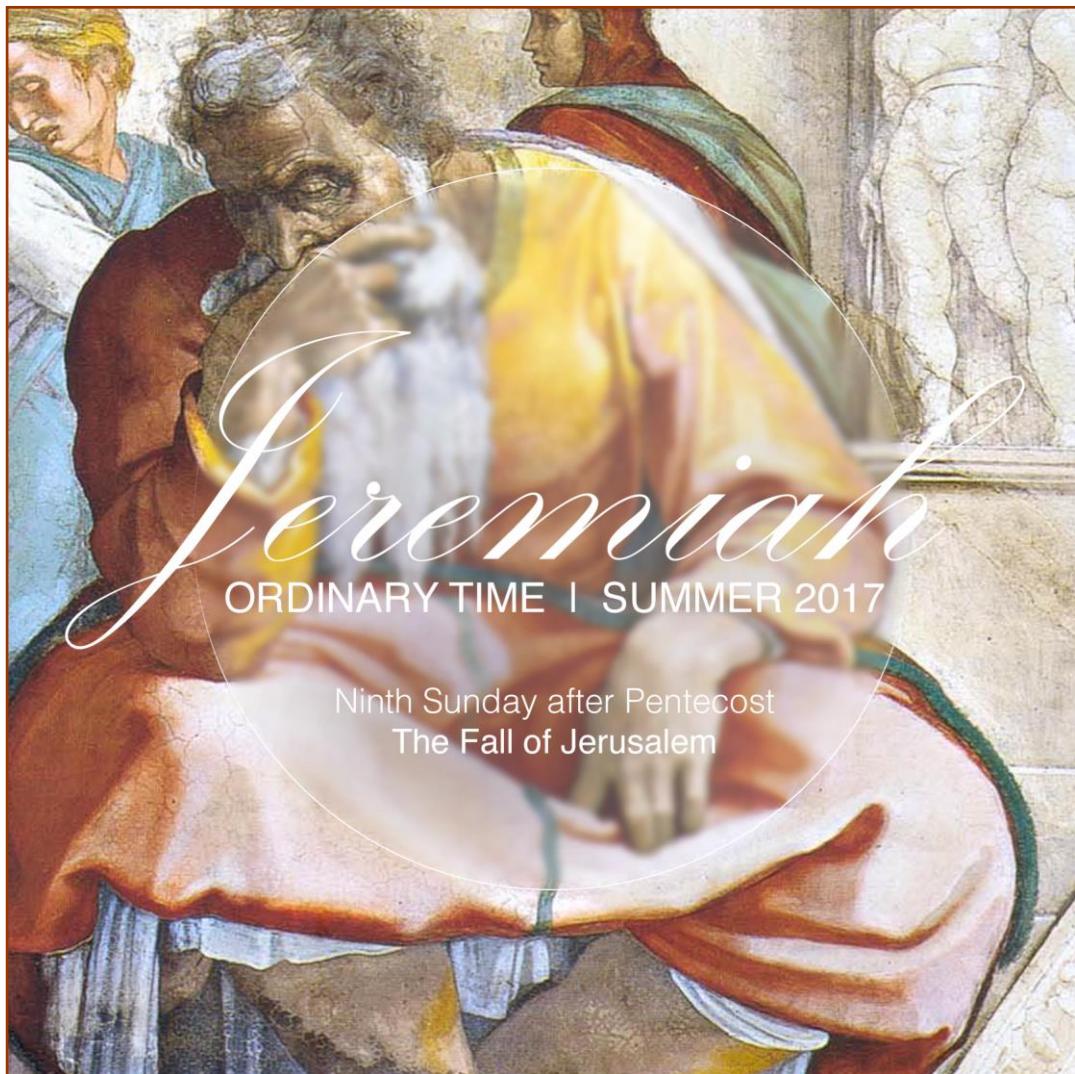


**Community Christian Reformed Church
Kitchener, Ontario
August 6, 2017**



July 30, 2017

10:00 a.m.

Pastor John Medendorp

Elder-in-Charge: Andy dB

[* Please rise, in body or spirit]

Gathering and Greeting

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

*Song of Praise: *"Open The Eyes Of My Heart"*

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Confession and Assurance

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Thanksgiving: *"The Power Of The Cross"*

Confession of Faith

[There is no Sunday School or drop-ins this morning due to the Civic Holiday on Monday.]

Proclamation of the Word

*Song of Preparation: *"Lead Me, Guide Me"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 39:1 – 40:6

Sermon: **"Jerusalem Falls"**

Prayer of Application

Response to the Word

Song of Response: *"Praise The Lord, Sing Hallelujah!"*

Prayers of the People

Offering: 1) Ministries of Community CRC

2) Kim H de M (Guatemala)

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: "We Receive Your Blessing"

**The congregation is asked to remain in their seats after the service to allow the Pastor and people with special duties or disabilities to exit first.
Please exit when the music begins.**



Following the service, everyone is invited to come together for fellowship and coffee/tea/juice in the gymnasium. Coffee for seniors is served in the Multi-Purpose room.

**Due to the civic holiday on Monday there is no evening service today.
Enjoy your long weekend!**

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The bracketed numbers indicate the Community to which these individuals belong

Jane W (14) recently broke her ankle and as a result will be wearing a cast for the next 6-8 weeks. Pray for healing and patience as she recovers.

Dick G (3) is recovering at home following a recent heart attack and subsequent angioplasty procedures. We give thanks for healing granted thus far and are thankful for God's protection over Dick's life.

Olga S (11) continues her stay at Sunnyside Home for rehabilitation for her walking. Pray for patience and strength during this difficult time.

Pastor John Medendorp (5) and **Ashley B** (8) will be married here at Community on Friday, August 11 at 4PM with Pastors Amanda Bakale and Carel Geelyne officiating. Community rejoices in God's union of John and Ashley and we pray that He will richly bless their marriage.

Joel H (4) and **Kristen R** will be united in marriage in our church on Saturday, August 12 with Pastor Ed Jager officiating. We pray that God will fill them with a deep love for him and each other and may have a wonderful day together with family and friends.

Thank you to the congregation for the prayers, visits, cards and flowers during Albert's recuperation and for our 50th wedding anniversary. God has watched over us.


Albert and Johanna O (1)

Please continue to pray for:

- those who are shut-in and/or unable to worship with us on a regular basis
- because of various health issues;
- those dealing with various illness among members of their extended family;
- those dealing with depression and other forms of mental illness;
- those dealing with cancer, its treatment and effects: **Sarah B (8)**, **Jane D (14)**;
- those dealing with broken relationships and lost marriages;
- those who are unemployed or underemployed;
- **John and Jane H** with Samaritan Foundation in the Dominican Republic; **Anthony and Barbara P** with Daystar Ministries on Manitoulin Island; **Kim H de M** with Resonate Global Mission in Guatemala, **Hank and Rosario S** volunteering with Resonate Global Mission in Guatemala; **David and Bethany N (7)** volunteering in West Africa;
- the **Sea to Sea** bicycling mission fighting poverty through fundraising and awareness. The cyclists left Vancouver on June 26 and are on their way across Canada. They have now finished the fourth leg of the ride and are now on Manitoulin Island. Our own **Art T (2)** will join the ride from August 8th to 12th (Tobermory to Ottawa). It's not too late to sponsor Art. Please pray for safety,

stamina, courage and determination. For more information visit seatosea.org.


- the persecuted Church in Sudan and elsewhere in the world;
- the Ministries and the Leadership of our congregation

Congratulations to the following  members of our congregation celebrating a birthday in the coming week:

Aug 8 – Margaret M (13)

Aug 13 – Lynda J (14)

May they experience God's richest blessings in the coming year and as they celebrate their birthday!

Congratulations to the following couple  celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary this coming week. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Shawn and Stephanie M (2) celebrate their 5th wedding anniversary on August 11, 2017.

Staff Information

The church office is closed tomorrow for the Civic Holiday.

Pastor Carel is on vacation and will be back in the office on August 8.

Pastor Amanda returns to the office on August 8. Should a need or concern arise

before that time, please contact Pastor John.

Donna V is on vacation and will be back in the office on August 21. During her time away, Greg L will be looking after things in the church office.

Pastor John will be on vacation starting August 9. He will be back in the office August 31.

Our bookkeeper, **Diana W**, will be on vacation starting Thursday, August 17 and will be back in the office on Tuesday, September 5.

is consistent with previous years. When the Board of Stewards prepares the budget, we forecast revenue as a steady stream over 52 weeks. This is to ensure that our cash flow needs are met. In reality, however, approximately 15 – 20% of revenue is received in December. If able, please consider giving on a regular basis throughout the year. Our PAR program is an ideal and easy way to donate regularly. For more details see the PAR pamphlet at the Information Centre.

Thank you again for your support and we wish you a blessed summer!
Board of Stewards

UPCOMING SERVICES

Aug 13	10 a.m.	Pastor Carel Lord's Supper
	6 p.m.	Cara D (student at Calvin Seminary)
Aug 20	10 a.m.	Pastor Amanda
	6 p.m.	Pastor Carel

OFFERING SCHEDULE

Midyear Financial Update: Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity in continuing to donate to the ministries of Community Christian Reformed Church! Your commitment helps to ensure that the member approved 2017 budget will stay on track.

As of June 30, 2017, overall expenses are on target. At this point, we do not expect any significant savings or shortages.

As noted in the weekly bulletin, our revenue is currently at a shortfall. This is typical for this time of year and the amount

**Budget Contributions
For July 30, 2017**

	Actual Contributions Received	Targeted Contributions	Contributions (Shortfall)/ Surplus	
July 30	\$9,586	\$12,743	(\$3,157)	
YTD	\$433,346	\$503,322	(\$69,976)	
Christian School Foundation			\$	1,848.20
Woodland Christian High School			\$	150.00
Faith's Orphans Fund			\$	50.00

This week our offering is for Kim H de M. Kim and her husband Kevin are serving as Resonate Partner Missionaries in Santa Catarina Pinula, Guatemala. Photos of Kim, Kevin and their son Noah together with new baby Nicolas can be found on the Missionaries bulletin board to the left of the mailboxes.

Next week our offering is for Pastor Church Relations. Pastor Church Resources supports congregations and their leaders in times of transition and discernment by

providing consultations and resources that foster personal and communal health.

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

Let's go biking. Let's not go biking! There will not be biking this week due to the long weekend. Watch next week's bulletin for the next ride on Monday, August 14th!



VINE (known to some as Verily Improving Natural Encounters) is a group for young adults. We will be meeting on Tuesday from 7-9 p.m. at the Tim Hortons by the church to talk about Ecumenicity. If you are a YA, you are welcome to join us. Hope to see you there!

Coffee Break Moms and Tots will be meeting weekly on Wednesday mornings at approximately 9:30 for a play date in the park! Join us at Country Hills Play Ground at 100 Rittenhouse Road. Bathroom facilities are on site. If transportation is an issue, the playground is walking distance from the Forest Glen bus terminal. This is a perfect opportunity to invite mom friends and neighbours who may be interested in what Coffee Break is all about. Any questions, contact Jen F.

BOB (Bureau of Beautification)

Dear Congregation, the BOB's team could really use some help with our next project. On Monday, August 14, we need some extra hands to tape, trace and cut. If you would be able to help, even for just awhile that day, it would be much appreciated. We will begin working at 9:30 a.m. Please feel

free to just show up but if you have questions please contact Annette S.

Attention All Current and Future Nursery Volunteers! As we prepare to start a new school year and everyone's commitments tend to change, we would like to update our pool of Nursery Volunteers. If you are over the age of 12 and willing to help in our Nurseries please email Shannon B. If there are special requests for family members to be scheduled on the same day, please be sure to bring that to our attention. Thank you to all past and present volunteers for all your help!

Young Adult BBQ + Bonfire! Sat, Aug 19 @ 5pm: Calling all young adults! Come on out for delicious food, a dip in the pool, volleyball, and a good old fashioned bonfire. There will be fun and food and a chance to get to know each other. The BBQ will be at the Hoekstra's home. Please RSVP to Matthias M by Sunday, Aug 13.

Faith and Hops – August 24 @ 5:30-7:30pm. If you're a 20ish to 30-something looking for a place to connect and deepen your faith, come on out to Faith + Hops at Williamsburg Arms. Once a month we get together for engaging discussion, fried goo, and a beverage of your choice. Check out CCRC's Facebook page closer to the dates for the discussion topic!

Nominate a Young Emerging Leader for Leadership Studio: Do you know a young person at CCRC who shows leadership qualities or gifts? Here's your chance to encourage them and help them develop those gifts further! Nominate them for the 2017 Leadership Studio at Muskoka Woods.

CCRC sends 2 young people in Grades 10+11 to Studio the same weekend as Fall Retreat. And CCRC sends 2 young adults (18-26) to Studio in November. Send your nominations to Pastor Amanda by September 3! To learn more about Leadership Studio go to muskoka woods.com.



Fall Retreat Registration is NOW OPEN!

The registration rate is now \$175. This year's theme is Follow for Follow: Romans 6:6-7. Fall Retreat is from September 29 to October 1 in Muskoka Woods. Visit www.fallretreat.ca for more details. CCRC is covering \$50 of the registration fee this year. Sign up online, print the confirmation form, and submit along with a cheque for the registration fee less \$50 payable to CCRC. Place in Pastor Amanda's mailbox.

The next LAFF trip is scheduled for Friday, September 22. The trip will include stops at the Ingersoll Cheese and Agricultural Museum, the pioneer village at Backus Conservation Area near Port Rowan, a coffee break at one of the churches along the way, and a lunch at the Port Rowan Royal Canadian Legion. The cost will be the usual \$60.00 per person. To sign up or have any questions answered, contact Rinze V.

Volleyball is cancelled for the month of August. We look forward to getting together again in September.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

For all of the announcements, employment and volunteer opportunities available through the Denomination and others, please see the listing and posters on the Deacons bulletin board across from the washrooms for information.

Williams Lake Update - Thank you for all the encouragement and prayers for Williams Lake. On July 27, the evacuation order was lifted for the city and some surrounding areas. While an evacuation alert remains in place, people are trickling back home. With the fires not under control, there is still anxiety and uncertainty. It's difficult to give an accurate read on the impact of these fires, but significant loss to the lumber industry, cattle, homes and jobs is a given. Please continue praying for God's wisdom and discernment for the emergency central command, for those grieving the loss of property, and for confidence and hope during these times of growing anxiety. Pray also for the most vulnerable in our community. Thank you from Cariboo Community Church. Pastor Paul Lomavatu, Cariboo Community CRC, Williams Lake, BC

MISCELLANEOUS

There is a new newsletter from John and Grace Van Huizen of the International Seafarers Ministry and new announcements from Redeemer University College on the Deacons bulletin board across from the washrooms.