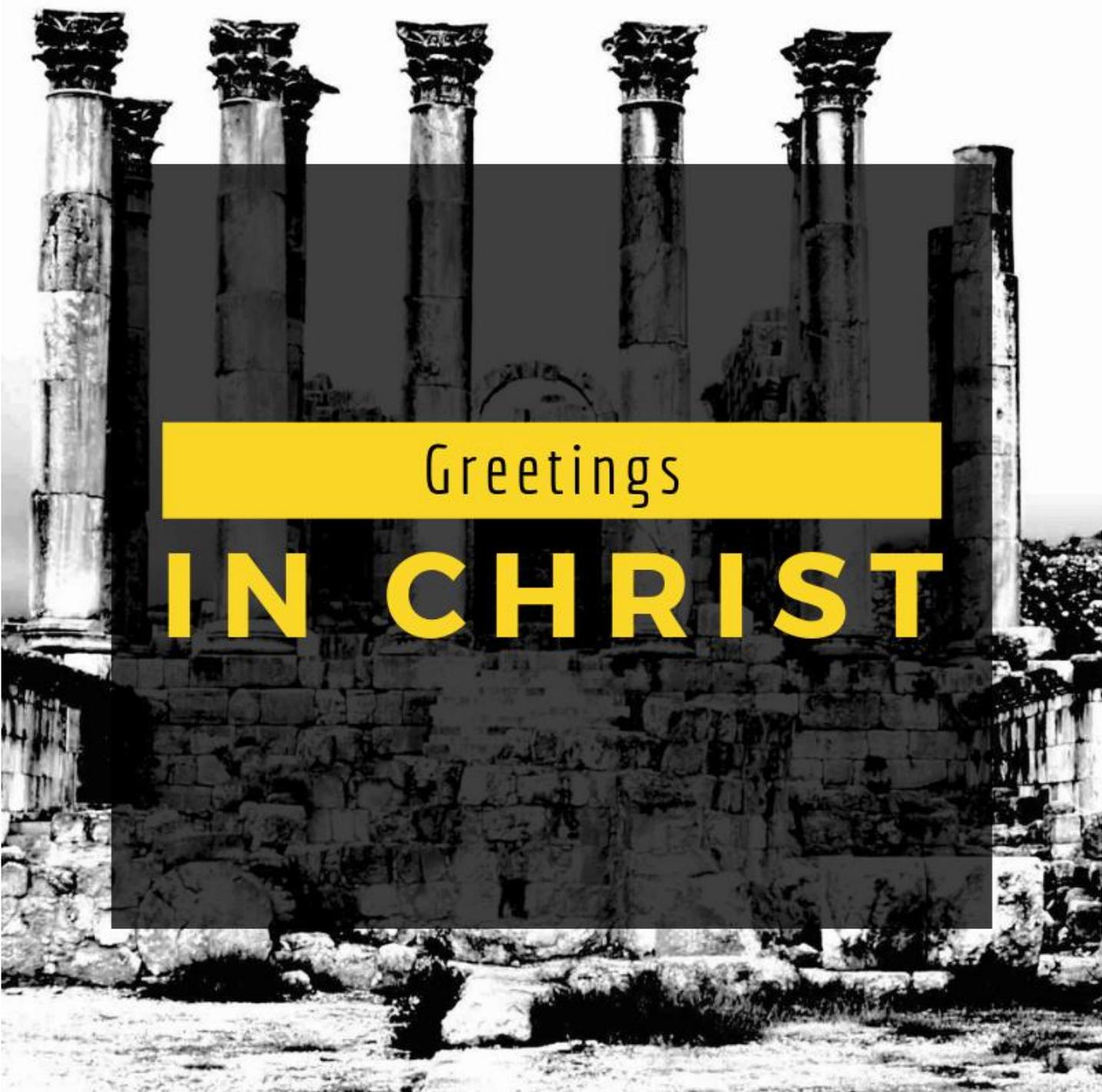


Community Christian Reformed Church
Kitchener, Ontario
August 18, 2019



Greetings

IN CHRIST

August 18, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Pastor John Medendorp

Elder-in-Charge: Henry V

[* Please rise, in body or spirit]

Gathering and Greeting

Gathering Song: *"Build My Life"*

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

*Songs of Praise: *"Hope Of The Nations"*

"Be Unto Your Name"

Mission Update: Matthias M

Prayers of the People

Offering: 1) Ministries of Community Christian Reformed Church

2) Christian School Foundation

Offertory Song: *"Who You Say I Am"*

Children's Blessing

There is no Sunday School or Drop-in room today

Proclamation of the Word

*Song of Preparation: PsH #420 *"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Colossians 4:7-18

Sermon: **"Greetings in Christ"**

Prayer of Application

Ordination of Office Bearers

*Song: *"All The Way My Savior Leads Me"*

The Teaching

The Vows

The Ordination

The Charges

Prayer

*Song: *"Lord Make Us Servants"*

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: PsH #454 vs 3 *"Now Thank We All Our God"*

**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.**

6:00 pm

Pastor John Medendorp

Pianist: Katherine D

[* *Please rise, in body or spirit*]

Service Of The Word

Welcome

Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Song of Praise: PsH# 504 vs 1-4 *"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"*

*Confession of Faith:

Joining the mission of God,
the church is sent
with the gospel of the kingdom

to call everyone to know and follow Christ
and to proclaim to all the assurance that in the name of Jesus
there is forgiveness of sin
and new life for all who repent and believe.

The Spirit calls all members
to embrace God's mission
in their neighborhoods and in the world:
to feed the hungry,
bring water to the thirsty,
welcome the stranger,
clothe the naked
care for the sick
and free the prisoner.

We repent of leaving this work to a few,
for this mission is central to our being.

*Song of Response: PsH #502 vs 1-4 *"The Church's One Foundation"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Romans 10:5-15

Sermon: **"As It Is Written"**

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response: PsH #373 vs 1,3,5,7 *"Lift High The Cross"*

Service of Testimony

Sharing by Matthias M

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Song: PsH #530 vs 1-3 *"I Love to Tell the Story"*

Prayers for the Nations of the World

Offering: Christian School Foundation

*Song: PsH #523 vs 1-4 *"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"*

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: PsH #523 vs 5 *"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"*

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The bracketed numbers indicate the Community to which these individuals belong

Congratulations to the four new elders ordained to office this morning: Dorothy V(Pastoral Elder for Community 2), Pete H (one-year term as Pastoral Elder for Community 5); Judy H (Administrative Elder); and Megan W (Youth Elder). All the elders and deacons are now in place.

Congratulations to **Isaac and Kristen B(6)** with the birth of a son. Jacobus W B was born August 9, 2019. All is well with both mom and baby! Praise God for this gift of new life!

Grace H (14) fell this past week and broke her arm. She is in Grand River Hospital and waiting to hear if surgery will be required. Pray for healing, patience and strength to deal with the pain.

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 depression and other forms of mental illness;
- those dealing with cancer, its treatment and effects;
- those dealing with broken relationships;
- those who are unemployed or underemployed;
- **Anthony and Barbara P** with Daystar Ministries on Manitoulin Island; **Hank and Rosario S** volunteering with Resonate Global Mission in Guatemala;
- the staff and leadership at the Journey
- the persecuted Church;
- the Ministries and the Leadership of our

congregation

Congratulations to the following couples who are celebrating milestone anniversaries this coming week:

Brad and Alesha H (6) will celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary on August 22, 2019

John L and Sarah G (7) will celebrate their 5th wedding anniversary on August 23, 2019.

May God continue to bless and strengthen these marriages for many years to come!

STAFF NEWS

Pastor Carel is currently on vacation. He will be back in the office on August 26.

Donna V returns to the office on Tuesday August 20.

UPCOMING SERVICES

August 25	10 a.m.	Pastor John
	6 p.m.	Pastor John
Sept 1	10 a.m.	Pastor Amanda
	6 p.m.	No evening service due to the long weekend

OFFERING SCHEDULE

**Budget Contributions
For August 11, 2019**

	Actual Contributions Received	Targeted Contributions	Contributions (Shortfall)/ Surplus
Aug 11	\$9,050	\$14,153	(\$5,103)
YTD	\$454,709	\$564,905	(\$110,196)
Pastor Church Resources			\$ 1,053
Redeemer University			\$ 30
Disability Concerns			\$ 175
LHCS			\$ 200

Our offering today is for the Christian School Foundation. This foundation draws Christian schools and donors together to expand the influence of Christ in our culture. Currently they have nearly 70 member schools from Ontario, Quebec and PEI.

Next week our offering is for Faith Formation Ministries. Faith Formation Ministries encourages and equips local Christian Reformed ministry leaders in their calling to shape lifelong faith formation so that all generations have an intentional and resilient faith. They recognize that each congregation has a unique identity, history, context, and calling. To that end, they listen, dialogue, and then suggest ideas and develop resources to strengthen these ministries.

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

NEW! Backpack Blessing - September 1
 Are you headed to school this September? Whether it's kindergarten or university, you're invited to bring your backpack to church. During the service, we'll be celebrating with and blessing all those who are headed to school this September. (Teachers and professors, bring your

briefcases or laptop cases, we'd love to bless you too!)

Are you entering your first year of university or college next month? Then you're invited to dinner at Pastor Amanda's house on Thursday, August 22 from 6-8pm! Come on out and get together with other first year students from Waterloo CRC and Community CRC for good food, conversation, and connections. Whether you're going to UW, Laurier, Conestoga, or somewhere else, we'd love you to join us! RSVP by Wednesday, August 21 to Pastor Amanda by text or email.

Dedication of New Church Building

September 15 has been set aside as the special Sunday in which the building will be dedicated through worship, fellowship and prayer. Stay tuned for further details.

Attention all Ministry Volunteers! A new building, new symbols, new policies... Are you aware of what is new and how it impacts your ministry? Disability awareness training, safe church policy training, and emergency and fire safety training is an annual requirement for volunteering at CCRC. Three duplicate dates have been set aside for such training (**Monday, August 26, Thursday, September 5 and Monday, September 9**). If you are an office bearer or volunteering in any of the ministries at CCRC you are asked to pick **one** of those three dates and come for an evening of awareness training in the areas mentioned. Even if you are not volunteering but are interested in finding out what is new, come on out! If you have any questions you can direct them to

Paula L or any other member of the Safe Church Team.

Upcoming Changes to Church Property: Council would like to make you aware that there will soon be some changes noticed to the church property landscaping as the neighbouring commercial development construction gets underway. The affected areas will be on the west and south sides of the church property and in the storm water management pond area. The Property Committee has worked closely with the developer and the developer is committed to full restoration of the landscaping and replanting of trees as the affected areas are completed. Thank you for your understanding.

Attention High School Students: Fall Retreat registration is open! The cost for the retreat is \$175. Go to fallretreat.ca to sign-up. The annual retreat takes place at Muskoka Woods from October 4-6, 2019. Students entering grades 9-12 are encouraged to attend. Transportation will be provided. Contact Tasha V if you have any questions.

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.

CRCNA Statement: *"We call on all members of the CRCNA...to stand up against racism and acts of white supremacy. We ask them*

to speak up against words of misogyny and of hatred toward immigrants. We ask them to be proactively anti-racist, proactively anti-sexist, and to proactively promote the dignity of all people." - from CRCNA's Statement on Mass Shootings. In response to the mass shootings and continued gun violence in the United States, the CRCNA has issued an official statement calling for prayer and action in the face of rising violence, extremism, and white supremacy. Please take the opportunity to read the full statement and join others in our denomination in prayer and action. The full statement is on the CRCNA's website and copies are available at the Information Centre.

Looking for friendly faces at York University this fall? We are the Classis Toronto's Campus Ministry at York University and look forward to meeting students who may be looking for Christian community in this massive but exciting place. Find us at LOGOS Christian Community by the Scott Religious Centre. Connect with us now or later at facebook.com/logosyorku/, lccyork@gmail.com or 647.608.3947

Fall Friendship Festival: Saturday, October 19, 2019, Oakville, Ontario. 10am – 2pm. Enjoy a day of music, faith, fun and friendship with Colleen and Grace and the Unity band! Along with music, we'll meet our friends from the Day Studio at l'Arche Daybreak in Richmond Hill. They'll show us their artwork in the form of cards, candles and pottery and their items will be available for purchase. The location is the Clearview Christian Reformed Church, 2300 Sheridan

Drive in southeast Oakville. Lunch is provided. The cost is \$10 per person, cash or cheque to "Friendship Festival", payable when you arrive. Please register early since we limit registration to 200 people. See www.weloveourfriends.com for more information.

Groundwork: Faith and Chronic Pain or Illness - Cancer diagnoses, long-term illnesses, and chronic pain can alter our daily reality and cast a shadow of uncertainty over our future hopes and dreams. Join Groundwork and study passages like Romans 8:18-26 and Psalm 13 to gain a spiritual perspective on chronic pain and illness, and to find out how your faith can support you throughout the journey. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Youth Justice Project – Make a difference in your community! The Youth Justice Project is an annual video contest funded by NewGround (a program of Diaconal Ministries Canada). Teens from CRCs across Canada are invited to identify an injustice in their community and share ways they hope to address it. Winners will receive money, as well as coaching and support, from NewGround staff. Get more information on our [website:](http://diaconalministries.com/newground/new-ground-youth-justice-project/)

Family Faith Formation Tip - Give an anxious child a tangible reminder that God is with

him or her. Maybe it's a special bracelet or necklace, or even a small "pocket stone" with the word "Peace" written on it. Having something meaningful to hold on to in anxious moments can help a lot. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

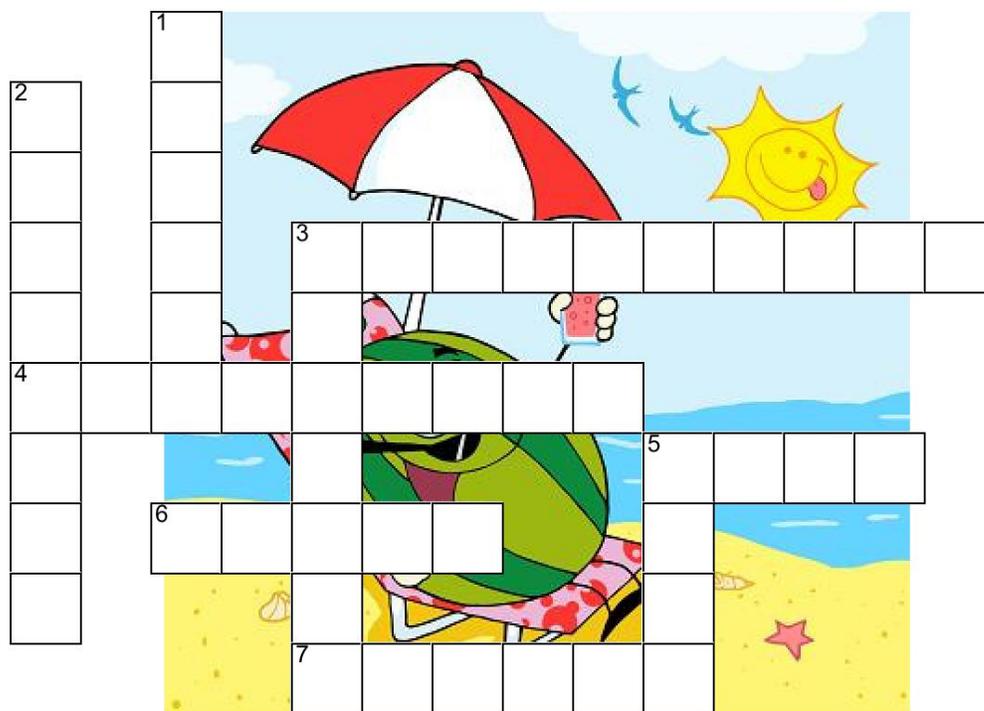
MISCELLANEOUS

Come and join us for our 15th Annual Dutch Hymn Sing ! Westmount Christian Reformed Church. 405 Drury Lane, Strathroy. Wednesday August 28 at 1:30 p.m. Refreshments and fellowship will follow the program. A free-will offering will be taken for the Bible League. Come and bring your friends for an afternoon of singing praise to God. For more information or to order a CD (\$5.) contact Marianne K

Countryside Camp/Camp Shalom Fun Fair – Join us as we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of our summer camp ministry "Camp Shalom!" This fun-filled event will have activities for all ages including auctions, games, Grand River Inflatable Rides, animal train, climbing wall, horse drawn carriage rides, and a chain saw artisan. Don't forget the food; Dutch, Canadian, and Hispanic Specialties. It all happens Saturday 10 am to 3pm, September 21st, 2019. For more information call 519-623-4860, 888-226-7722 or click on the link <https://ontariochristiancamp.ca/events/camp-fun-fair-cambridge-ontario-canada/>

Summer Crossword

www.KidsCanHaveFun.com



Across

3. I love to build this in the sand.
4. I love to run through it and it makes me wet.
5. I have one in my backyard that I love to swim in.
6. A place that has lots of sand and water.
7. I use this to pick up sand

Down

1. The hottest time of the year.
2. I wear this to swim.
3. I like to wear these on my feet when it is hot.
5. I use this to put the sand in.

