



Welcome to Community CRC's weekly bulletin. This Sunday, Communities 6, 8, and 14 are welcomed to the "in-person" worship service. We will continue with our Fall Sermon Series "The Seventh Day: Entering God's Rest." The theme of the service is - The Sabbath Commandments and we will be celebrating the baptism of Blayke S (8) and Lydia V (9).

We will continue with the registration process in order to make sure we do not exceed our capacity of 75 people. If your Community is scheduled for worship on a particular Sunday, look for an email with the Eventbrite link to sign up. 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.

Our schedule for signup continues as follows:

October 25: 1,3,4

November 8: 2,5,9

November 1: 7,11,13

November 15: 6,8,14

All attendees are required to wear a mask and maintain a 2-meter physical distancing both in the building and while outside.

Our services will continue to be live streamed, so those who are not comfortable returning or who are unable to return can continue to worship with us. If there are issues with the live stream a seamless video will be posted to the CCRC website (Vimeo) after the service on Sunday afternoon. Be sure to watch the video from the church website or YouTube.

Following the government guidelines, we would like to remind the congregation that seating goes by who you live with under the same roof NOT who is in your bubble.

New This Week: This Sunday marks the start of Sunday School for children ages 3- Grade 3. A pdf copy of the Sunday School Lesson will be emailed to the entire congregation on Friday afternoon along with the bulletin. Watch the worship service on Sunday morning for the story to be read by one of the Sunday School leaders. Go over the lesson with your children. The lesson comes from DWELL, DWELL Flex is a new segment from Faith Alive built to meet the unique needs of churches during the pandemic and beyond. These sessions include four simple steps: Breathe, Tell and Wonder, Pray, and Respond—providing a simple way for anyone to lead a DWELL session with little advanced preparation. This week's story is "Jesus in the Temple". If you have any questions or concerns, please email Sherrie M or Danielle S.

10:00am Worship Service

Worship Participants this week:

Preacher: Pastor Amanda Bakale Litanist: Pastor Betsy DeVries

GATHERING AND GREETING

Gathering Song: "Sing to the King"

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

God's Greeting

Songs of Praise: "Across The Lands "

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Institution

Prayer of Confession

The Promises of God

The Teaching

Song: "I Am Not My Own"

The Vows

The Baptism of Blayke Harper S and Lydia Grace V

Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Baptismal Prayer

Children's Song "Jesus Loves Me"

Children's Worship Story

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Song of Preparation: "Ancient Words"

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 5: 12-15

Sermon: "Loving Our Neighbour on the Sabbath"

Prayer of Application

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Song of Response "If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

Offering Announcement
1) Ministries of Community Christian Reformed Church
2) Disability Concerns

Prayers of the People

God's Parting Blessing

Doxology: "The Blessing"

COMMUNITY CRC CHURCH FAMILY

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

The funeral for **Gine K (1)** was held this past Tuesday at Community CRC. Continue to keep the entire K family in your prayers during this time of loss.

Gord F (4) continues as a patient at Cambridge Memorial Hospital. Any notes of encouragement for Gord can be sent to his son, Terry F.

Congratulations to **Shawn and Carlie M (2)** as they will celebrate their 5th wedding anniversary on October 24, 2020. May the Lord continue to bless and strengthen their marriage for many years to come!

Consistory met this past Tuesday, October 13 and received the membership of **Kris and Kristy D and son Callum (6)** from Palmerston Christian Reformed Church. Welcome!

Matters for Prayer:

- Pray for guidance and wisdom for the Search Team as they continue the process of seeking a candidate for the position for a Pastor-Preaching and Pastoral Care which is now posted on our website and the CRCNA Network. See update below.
- As October is Pastor's Appreciation month, please Pray for Pastor Amanda and Pastor Betsy or any Pastor who has impacted your life with a note of thanks and appreciation.
- Pray for those ministries that have launched or are preparing to launch in new and adaptive ways: Cadets, GEMS, Impact, Teen Club, Knifty Knitters, Coffee

Break, Children's Worship and Sunday School.

- Pray for those who are able to meet in safe ways such as LAFF and Friendship.
- Pray for our provincial and municipal leader and front line workers as the case numbers of COVID are increasing across the country.
- Pray for health, strength, and patience as we enter "*cold and flu season*" during this time of pandemic.
- Pray that God strengthens us when we find ourselves exhausted and overwhelmed in a world that continues to face uncertainty.
- Pray for researchers and science professionals as they work towards a safe and effective vaccine.
- Pray for those with ongoing health concerns and those dealing with illness that seem to have taken a back seat to COVID-19.
- Pray for those dealing with mental illness and addiction which is exacerbated by the pandemic.
- Pray for those seeking employment or experiencing job loss.
- 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.
- Pray for the church locally and internationally as it addresses COVID-19. Pray for an ability to share the good news of Jesus even now.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Oct 25 | Two Services

- 10:00 a.m. service - Pastor Betsy DeVries
- 3:00 p.m. Afternoon Outdoor Baptism service
Evelyn Christine M (2)
Seth Wyatt P (11)

Nov 1 | 10:00 a.m. Pastor Betsy DeVries

OFFERING SCHEDULE

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.

This week our offering is for Disability Concerns (a ministry of the CRCNA). The body of Christ differs in age, ability, gender, ethnicity, race, socioeconomic status, perspectives—and yet we are one body (1 Cor. 12:12). United in Christ, we must develop agility to listen, be curious, learn, and grow in relationship with each other.

Next week our offering is for Ray of Hope: Ray of Hope is a non-profit organization in Kitchener-Waterloo whose mission is to demonstrate the love of Christ with those who are disadvantaged, marginalized, or troubled. This is done in 4 main areas of support: community support; youth justice; youth employment; youth addiction.

Upcoming Offerings:

Nov 1 | World Renew – World Hunger
Nov 8 | Waterloo Campus Ministry

Offerings Received as at October 11 & 12

Oct 11	\$	5,140
Year to Date	\$	517,327
Budgeted 2020 Total Contributions	\$	885,705
Second Offerings		
Food Bank of Waterloo Region	\$	785
Ontario Christian Gleaners	\$	303
Birthright/Monica House	\$	252
CCRC Mission Fund	\$	70
Safe Church Ministry	\$	60
Christian School Foundation	\$	60
Resonate Global Mission	\$	50

COMMUNITY CRC NEWS

A Note from the Calling Committee |

Dear Congregation,

You may recall back in March a Calling Committee was formed by council with the mandate of seeking a Pastor - Preaching and Pastoral Care. Despite the pandemic closing our church and creating challenges of meeting in person, the committee moved forward to research, seek out candidates and discern who God may be leading to this position. We wanted to give an update on the progress made so far, as we are all excited and encouraged as a team and we know many of you are eager to hear what work has been done.

Grateful for technology and the use of Zoom, the first few months were spent doing research and preparing advertisements as a committee. We read through various documents such as the congregational survey and job descriptions which helped us to prepare/post ads and put together an information package that was available to interested candidates. We asked the congregation to forward names and we received many applications and requests by pastors for more information. Over the summer, the committee researched potential candidates and spent much time in prayer and discussion to

discern who should move on to the interview stage. Over the past two weeks, a number of interviews took place and we are now in the discernment stage in this process. We covet your prayers at this time for the Holy Spirit's wisdom, strength and guidance to identify who God is calling to this position.

This process might seem long, but let us assure you that it is definitely worth the wait! We are excited to share more with you in the weeks to come, and ask that you continue to pray as together we seek God's direction for CCRC.

Serving Christ together,
Your Calling Committee

Mission Strategy Team is seeking new members | "Growing our relationship with God, each other, and our community" is the mission statement of CCRC. Building relationships with people starts by show interest in them as people. Being hospitable people of God helps CCRC engage our community. Your help is needed to plan the strategies for our congregation to be salt and light in this world. If you are interested in joining the Mission Strategy Team please contact the church office or any of the team members, Scott K, Larry L, Stephanie S, or Jonathan S.

Looking for A/V Volunteers | Are you interested in running the live stream, learning the soundboard, or operating the screen projection? All training is provided and you can work with an experienced volunteer until you're fully trained. We are looking for volunteer techs for the live stream, projection, and sound. The time commitment is once every 4-6 weeks on Sunday morning from 8:30-11:30am. Contact Rachel V if you have any questions or are interested.

The Knifty Knitters | The Knifty Knitters will meet at the church this Tuesday, October 20 at 9:30 a.m.

Coffee Break | Coffee Break's ministry year will be starting on October 28th. Our in-person small groups will be meeting weekly on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Our virtual small groups will be starting up that week as well, with a date and time to be confirmed shortly. If you would like to join a small group either virtually or in person, please reach out to Irene F or Kirstin B.

Impact | There is no Impact for youth this week as there will be a leaders meeting.

Fall Book Club | This fall, let's join together to discover a different way of seeing and responding to the Coronavirus pandemic. We're reading N.T. Wright's God and the Pandemic: A Christian Reflection on the Coronavirus and Its Aftermath. This is an opportunity to build relationships within the church through the shared experience of reading together as a congregation and to grow closer to God understanding current events through the light of Jesus' death and resurrection. Stay tuned for a community book event and gathering this November. Interested? Contact Carling L to be added to the book event mailing list. The book can be purchased online; however, a limited number of copies are available by donation from the office. You must contact the office in advance to arrange pick up.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

We Need to Talk About Race | Youth and young adults, join CRC campus ministries for an important discussion about race in the church. Mike Wagenman (Ontario) and Rick Mast (Alberta) will be hosting a discussion of Ben Lindsay's book, We Need to Talk about Race: Understanding the Black Experience in White Majority Churches. Join us on Zoom Friday, October 23 @ 4pm ET. Register at www.WesternCampusMinistry.ca.

MISCELLANEOUS

Did you lose a watch? A digital watch was found in the church parking lot this past week. Cadets? Impact? If so, please contact the church office.

RESOURCES

Instructions for giving to Community CRC

As we begin to meet again, the following donation methods are currently in place:

1. PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) – is the preferred method of giving.
2. You can mail your donations to the Church. Please do NOT mail cash. The mailbox is checked regularly.
3. **You can drop off your donation in our drop-off mailslot located on the outside of the kitchen door.**
4. If you are registered to attend the Church service, you may bring in your donation.

Notes:

- You may use your vouchers (only for second collections) - please mark clearly which cause they are intended for.
- We are not issuing vouchers at this time.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact our Treasurer or Bookkeeper and they will happily help you.

During COVID19 restrictions, the **CAP counselling ministry through Shalem Mental Health Network** continues to make anonymous professional counselling support available to congregants of our church at no charge. All services are provided through a secured video or telephone connection. To book a CAP appt, call Shalem directly at 1-866-347-0041. And for more resource information check their website at <https://shalemnetwork.org/>



