

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
KITCHENER, ONTARIO
JANUARY 20, 2019

God blessed them and said:

"Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it"

-GENESIS 1:28



GOD'S WORLD, OUR WORLD

January 20, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Pastor Amanda Bakale

Elder-in-Charge: Gwen H

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

Gathering and Greeting

Gathering Song: *"How Can I Keep From Singing"*

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship: Psalm 117

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

*Songs of Praise: PsH #431 *"All Creatures of Our God and King"*

PsH #453 *"Let All Things Now Living"*

Confession and Assurance

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Song: *"Because of Your Love"*

Confession of Faith: Our World Belongs to God, Articles 7-10

Congregation: **Our world belongs to God—**

Leader: not to us or earthly powers, not to demons, fate, or chance.

Congregation: **The earth is the Lord's.**

Leader: In the beginning, God—

Congregation: **Father, Word, and Spirit—**

Leader: called this world into being out of nothing

Congregation: **and gave it shape and order.**

Leader: God formed sky, land, and sea;

Congregation: **stars above, moon and sun,**

Leader: making a world of colour, beauty, and variety—

Congregation: **a fitting home for plants and animals, and us—**

Leader: a place to work and play,

Congregation: **worship and wonder, love and laugh.**

Leader: God rested
Congregation: **and gave us rest.**
Leader: In the beginning
Congregation: **everything was very good.**
Leader: Made in God's image to live in loving communion with our Maker, we are appointed earthkeepers and caretakers to tend the earth, enjoy it, and love our neighbours.
Congregation: **God uses our skills for the unfolding and well-being of his world so that creation and all who live in it may flourish.**

Song: PsH #457 *"He's Got the Whole World In His Hands"*

Children's Blessing

Children ages 3 – Grade 3 are now invited to participate in Sunday School. Children (ages 3-5 only) need to be signed in and out by a parent or guardian.

Proclamation of the Word

Song of Preparation: PsH #430 *"We Sing the Mighty Power of God"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Genesis 1: 26-31

Sermon

Prayer of Application

Response to the Word

Children in Grades 4-6 are invited to participate in their weekly sermon discussion and youth in Grade 12 are dismissed to Classroom #5.

*Song of Response: PsH #436 *"This Is My Father's World"*

Prayers of the People

Offering: 1) Ministries of Community Christian Reformed Church
2) Missionary Support

Offertory Song: **"Testify to Love"**

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: PsH #638 *"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"*.

**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: Karen N

[* Please rise, in body or spirit]

Praise and Prayer

Welcome

Call to Worship: Psalm 106: 1-5

*God's Greeting

*Song of Praise: PsH #470 *"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"*

Psalm: Psalm 36

Song of Response: PsH #347 *"The Steadfast Love of the Lord"*

Prayer and Share

Offering: Missionary Support

Hearing the Word

Song of Preparation: PsH #276 *"Teach Me O Lord Your Way of Truth"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Judges 3

Sermon: **"In the World"**

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response: *"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"*

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: PsH #635 *"Glory Be to the Father"*

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The bracketed numbers indicate the Community to which these individuals belong

Everly D (9) the 2-month old daughter of **Aaron and Lisa** spent this past week at Grand River Hospital with respiratory issues. She has improved significantly and it was hoped that she could go home by the weekend.

Hank S underwent heart surgery this past Monday at St. Mary's Hospital. He came through it well and hoped to be released by this weekend.

Helen H (6) was scheduled to undergo hip replacement surgery this past Friday. Pray for healing, patience and a good recovery.

Our condolences are extended to **John and Karen S** (14) with the passing away of John's uncle, Mr. Henry V. Mr. V passed away this past week. The funeral will be held this coming week in Edmonton, Alberta. Pray for safety as John travels and for comfort as they mourn the loss of a loved one.

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;

- the staff and leadership at the Journey;
- the persecuted Church;
- the Ministries and the Leadership of our congregation

STAFF INFORMATION

Pastor Amanda will be out of the office from January 22 – 27. During this time she will be attending the Calvin Symposium of Worship at Calvin College and Seminary. She will be back in the office on Monday, January 28.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Jan 27	10 a.m.	Pastor Carel Baptism: John Ryan Edward M
	6 p.m.	Communities Meet
Feb 3	10 a.m.	Pastor John
	6 p.m.	Pastor Amanda

OFFERING SCHEDULE

Budget Contributions For January 13, 2019

	Actual Contributions Received	Targeted Contributions	Contributions (Shortfall)/ Surplus	
Jan 13	\$8,426	\$14,153	(\$5,727)	
YTD	\$17,532	\$28,307	(\$10,775)	
Youth Unlimited			\$	1,357
Missionary Support			\$	430
Waterloo Campus Ministry			\$	40
Benevolence			\$	20

Our offering today is for “Missionary Support”. Our past practice has been to take a single offering for each missionary. The deacons and the Mission Strategy Team agreed to take quarterly offerings for the combined missionary support of both missionaries. Our goal is to raise \$14,000 in 2019 for their support. Most importantly making “Missionary Support” intentional helps each of us to become more prayerfully engaged in the mission of God. When giving, please indicate **“Missionary Support”** on weekly offering envelopes.

Next week our offering is for the Office of Social Justice: The Office of Social Justice helps CRC members love their neighbors in tangible ways. They provide resources to learn about the root causes of poverty, hunger, and oppression, and they empower the church to call on those in power to improve systems and enact just public policy.

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

Attention Grade 12 Students: You are invited to meet with the youth elders **today**, Sunday, January 20. We would like to discuss youth at CCRC and your plans for next year. We will leave the service at the same time the Gr. 4-6 students go out and meet in **classroom #5**. Snacks will be provided.

Renovation progress: If you would like to follow along with the renovation process, check out the pictures on the church website. Go to www.crc.on.ca and scroll down to the “CCRC go!” box. Click on the box and view the pictures.

The GEMS Girls Club would like to invite L.A.F.F. (Life After Fifty Five) for a BINGO night on January 31st from 7:00-8:30 pm at church in the gym. We will provide refreshments and a great evening of fun and laughter as the two CCRC programs get together to enjoy a time of fellowship and blessings.

After a break, **Vacation Bible School (VBS)** is excited to be up and running this year. CCRC will be hosting ROAR! VBS from July 15-19. Please mark your calendars to attend and to volunteer. This program is an amazing outreach to children who don't otherwise go to church. As coordinators, Melodie S and Kristin G are looking for a partner (or two) to join in the planning process and learn about the VBS program in the hopes that they will run the program next year. Please email them at if this is something you'd be interested in or if you're looking for any more information.

Cadets (a club for boys ages 7 – 13) will meet tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. at the church.



L.A.F.F. (Life After Fifty-Five) will meet this Tuesday in the gym. This week we will be joined by Fred N, Bob L, and John V who will be leading an audio-visual presentation call “In the beginning...” Coffee and Fellowship is at 10:15 a.m. with the meeting to start at 10:45 a.m. Lunch will be provided. Please check the “Gold and Sliver” board to see if you are scheduled for any duties.

Friendship News: Friendship will meet this Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. at the church.



The **Administrative Council** will be meeting this Tuesday at 7:30 PM.

Coffee Break meets this Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. at the church. Women of all ages and stages of life are encouraged to join us for a morning of prayer, inter-generational fellowship and spiritual accountability and renewal. Childcare is provided. Any questions, please contact coffeebreak@ccrc.on.ca



The **Coffee Break Ministry** is looking for several volunteers to help in our nurseries from January through to March as several of our regular volunteers are down south for these winter months. Additional help is specifically needed in our Infant (ages 0-9 months) and Crawler (Ages 9-18 months) nurseries. The time commitment is flexible – consider helping weekly, bi-weekly or monthly. For more information, please contact Melodie B.

Impact: There is **no meeting this week** to allow those with exams to focus on studying. The next event will be a social night on **January 30**. Details will follow soon. Impact is looking for parents to sign up for snack duty on the Big Group nights. If you can help with that please contact Kathy R.

GEMS (Girls Everywhere Meeting the Saviour a club for girls ages 7-13) will meet this



Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

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.

Family Faith Formation Tip - In Families at the Center of Faith Formation, John Roberto shares eight things that form faith in the home: caring relationships; celebrating the liturgical seasons; celebrating rituals and milestones; learning the Christian tradition and applying it to life; prayer, devotions, and spiritual formation; reading the Bible; serving and working for justice; and worshipping God. How is your family doing? What would you like to focus on more in this new year? (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

Young Adults! - It's Not Too Late! There is still time to register for the Young Adult Winter Retreat! Join others aged 18-30ish from across the province on January 25-27, 2019, at Maranatha CRC in Woodstock for a weekend assured to be full of spiritual encouragement, faith-based discussions, service, workshops, fellowship, and funtivities! This year the theme is "Something more Profound: Standing in Awe of God" and we will look at the balance of intellect and emotion in our faith and how this can influence our feelings of awe. We look forward to what Rev. Darren Roorda has to teach us, and as always we can't wait to see what God has in store!

Visit our Facebook page “Young Adult Winter Retreat” or email ya.retreat.team@gmail.com for more details and the link to register. We hope to see you there!

MISCELLANEOUS

Laurentian Hills Christian School, located at 11 Laurentian Drive in Kitchener, will be holding an Information Evening for parents of new Junior and Senior Kindergarten students for the 2019/2020 school year on Tuesday, January 29th, at 7:00 pm. Our Kindergarten teachers will familiarize you with our extensive Kindergarten programs with their balance of structured instruction and inquiry-based learning. Laurentian Hills Christian School offers families the choice of part-time or full-time Kindergarten programs. You will also have a tour of the school, and a chance to explore the Kindergarten classrooms. Our Principal, Mr. Ian Timmerman, will also articulate what LHCS has to offer your family. If you have any questions regarding this information evening, please contact the school office at [519-576-6700](tel:519-576-6700). Check out our web site at www.lhcs.net

Camp Shalom Summer Staff - Working at Camp Shalom has been life-changing for so many people. Grow in your faith, meet great new friends, make a meaningful impact on other people and earn money for your future. Located just outside of Cambridge, Camp Shalom offers programming for kids in grades 1-12 and for adults with special needs. We are now accepting applications for our summer staff positions. All positions are paid and you must be 17 before Dec. 31st, 2019 to apply. Visit www.countrysidecamp.com to apply and for a list of available positions. Interviews will start February 16th.