

Community Christian Reformed Church
Kitchener, Ontario
June 4, 2017



Pentecost Sunday

June 4, 2017

10:00 a.m.

Pastor Amanda Bakale

Elder-in-Charge: Julie V

[* Please rise, in body or spirit]

Gathering and Greeting

Gathering Song: *"Good Good Father"*

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

*Songs of Praise: *"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"*

"Build Your Kingdom Here"

Confession and Assurance

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Professions of Faith: Jordan H, Adrian K, Tristan V, Lauren V

Song of Response: *"Lord, I Need You"*

Proclamation of the Word

Children's Message: *"God Sends Help"*

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.

Song of Preparation: *"Holy Spirit"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Romans 5: 1-11

Sermon

Prayer of Application

Response to the Word

Children in Grades 4-6 are invited to participate in their weekly sermon discussion.

*Song of Response: *"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"*

Drawing of Names for Officebearers

Prayers of the People

Offering: 1) Ministries of Community CRC

2) Christian Reformed World Missions

Offertory Song: *"It is Well, With My Soul"*

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: PsH #632 *"To God Be the Glory"*

**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 Carel Geleynse

[* Please rise, in body or spirit]

Praise and Prayer

Welcome

Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Song of Praise: PsH #478 *"Tell Out, My Soul"*

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 55

Song of Response: PsH #209 *"Seek Ye First the Kingdom"*

Prayer and Share

Offering: Christian Reformed World Missions

Hearing the Word

Song of Preparation: *"Speak, O Lord"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Luke 16: 19-31

Sermon: **"Responding to the Word"**

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response: PsH #279 *"O Word of God Incarnate"*

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: PsH #501 vs. 1, 7 *"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"*

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The bracketed numbers indicate the Community to which these individuals belong

Congratulations to **Jordan H** (1), **Adrian K** (8), **Tristan V** (5) and **Lauren V** (1) on the occasion of your public profession of faith! We praise the Lord for you! We are excited with you and pray that you may never cease to marvel at God's grace in your lives. May you find much joy and fulfillment in living for Jesus!

This weekend the **GEMS and Cadets** have been or are still camping. The GEMS have been at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp this past Friday and Saturday, and the Cadets are still camping at Wildwood Scouts Camp since Friday and coming home later today. We pray for safety, good memories and God's blessing on such opportunities.

Congratulations to **Milad and Erin M** who were united in marriage yesterday. We pray that God will bless their marriage and fill them with a deep love for him and each other.

Congratulations to **Tom and Kristin G** (14) on the occasion of the birth of **Rowan Samuel**, born Tuesday, May 30. All is well! Praise the Lord for the gift of new life!

Congratulations to **Charlie and Samara R** the safe arrival of their son Jack Daniel. Jack was born on Tuesday, May, 30 and mom and baby are doing well. Thanks be to God for this precious gift!

Albert O (1) fell in the lobby of the church building last Sunday morning just before the worship service and broke his hip. He underwent surgery at Grand River Hospital this past Monday. Albert was released from the hospital this past Friday and is recovering at home. Pray for healing and strength for both Albert and Johanna.

Our condolences are extended to **Dorothy O** (14) with the passing away of her sister-in-law Mrs. Jean D. Jean passed away on May 27 at St. Mary's Hospital at the age of 77. She was also an aunt to **John and Tina O (Megan, Jocelyn, and Kelton)** (13). A funeral was held this past Wednesday, May 31 at Henry Walser Funeral home.

Our condolences are extended to **Jane and Clarence D** (14) with the passing away of Jane's brother **Mans K**. Mans passed away on May 31 in Woodstock at the age of 93. A funeral was held yesterday at Covenant CRC in Woodstock. May the Lord comfort all who mourn.

Congratulations to our Worship Co-ordinator, **Kyle R** (4), on his acceptance of the call to serve as the new Worship Director at Talbot Street CRC in London! While we will miss Kyle, at the same time we are excited with him about the new opportunity given to serve the church. Kyle's last official Sunday at CCRC will be June 18. Pray for a good ending and transition to a new setting for both Kyle and Elysha.

Last weekend was an important weekend for many members of our congregation who have either sent children to or supported **Laurentian Hills Christian School** in one way or another. Some have been supporters for as many as 50 years! The Lord has blessed the school in many ways and we rejoice that LHCS could celebrate its 50th anniversary. Praise the Lord for a wonderful school and supporting community! Praise the Lord for Christian education!

For the next 3 days (June 5-7) **Pastors Amanda, Carel and John** will be off to the Crieff Hills Conference Centre in Puslinch for their annual **CCRC Pastor's Retreat**. The retreat days allow for devotions, personal reflection, evaluation and goal setting. It will also provide an opportunity for team building and planning for the next ministry year. These retreats have become an indispensable part of team ministry and provides an uninterrupted setting in which to look back at the year that was and to strategize about the season to come.

This coming week **Synod**, the broadest assembly in the Christian Reformed Church, will gather for its annual meeting at Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights, Illinois. Four members from each of the 48 classis of the CRC are delegated to attend. Our own **Joelle W** will be attending as a youth advisor and **Pastor Carel** will also be attending the meetings in his role as Co-President of the New Mission Agency. The meetings run from Friday, June 9 – Thursday, June 15. Please keep the meetings of Synod in your prayers. If you wish to follow the proceedings or watch it on-line, please go to www.crcna.org/synod and follow the links.

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;
- **Martin O** (8) continues to recuperate at home from his recent surgery.
- those dealing with various illness among members of their extended family;

- those dealing with depression and other forms of mental illness (if you are dealing with depression a couple of people, who have been there, have stepped forward to help in whatever way they can. Pastor Carel can give you more details);
- those dealing with cancer, its treatment and effects: **Sarah B (8)**, **Jane D (14)**, **John N (3)**, **Claire N**, a 6th grade student at Laurentian Hills Christian School. Claire's father **Terry N is a nephew to John and Ruth N**;
- 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; **David and Jessica O** with World Renew in Senegal; **Kim H** with CRWM in Guatemala, **Hank and Rosario S** volunteering with CRWM in Guatemala; **David and Bethany N (7)** volunteering in West Africa.
- persecuted Church in Sudan
- the Ministries and the Leadership of our congregation.

MISSIONARY CORNER

A note from John and Jane H: "After 10 years of serving in the Dominican Republic, we will be experiencing some change in our lives. On June 9, 2017 DV. we will begin our transition back to Canada. While the three of us will return together, Jane and Elizabeth will continue to stay in Canada while John will be returning to the Dominican Republic on June 20th. There, John will continue serving with The

Samaritan Foundation in his current role as President. His time will be predominantly spent in the Dominican Republic with periodical four week return visits to Canada." For more information please pick up a copy of the complete letter at the Information Centre.

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

June 5 – Sybil W (8)

June 10 – Barb V (11)

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

OFFERING SCHEDULE

Budget Contributions For May 28, 2017

	Actual Contributions Received	Targeted Contributions	Contributions (Shortfall)/ Surplus	
May 28	\$11,035	\$12,743	(\$1,708)	
YTD	\$314,359	\$357,695	(\$43,336)	
Back to God Ministries Int'l			\$	2,282.75
Operation Manna			\$	35.00
CRWM - Timmermans			\$	30.00
River City Church			\$	30.00

This week our offering is for Christian Reformed World Missions (CRWM). CRWM exists to glorify God by leading the CRC to respond obediently to our Lord's commission to witness to the good news of God's Kingdom and make disciples of all nations.

Next week our offering is for the Benevolence Fund. This fund is used by the deacons to financially assist those within our church and the community when a need arises or help is requested.

World Renew Famine Appeal - Severe drought and conflict has placed millions at risk of starvation in Africa. World Renew is helping feed hungry families in South Sudan, Uganda, Kenya, Ethiopia and Nigeria. The Government of Canada has announced a 1:1 match for all donations made between March 17 and June 30 for humanitarian responses to this crisis. In addition, through World Renew's membership in the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, your donations are eligible for a further match up to 4:1. With these matches, your gifts will go up to five times further! Please donate today to demonstrate God's love to millions in need. For more information on our response, please visit www.worldrenew.net/famine.

UPCOMING SERVICES

June 11	10 a.m.	Pastor John Lord's Supper Installation of Officebearers
	6 p.m.	Pastor John
June 18	10 a.m.	Pastor Amanda
	6 p.m.	Pastor John

Nominations of Officebearers: Last Sunday all nominees were affirmed to stand as Officebearers. Today we proceed with the drawing of names followed by the installation next Sunday in the morning service.

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

Mark Your Calendars! Weekend Pastors' Class - June 23-24: Our first ever weekend version of the Pastors' Class will take place at Community CRC on Friday, June 23 (6-9pm, including dinner) and Saturday, June 24 (8am-6pm, lunch and refreshments provided). We will cover the same material from our 6 week Pastors' Class offered every October. If you're new to CCRC, want to deepen your faith, or are thinking about making profession of faith, this class is for you! A signup sheet is available at the Information Centre or you may email the office at office@ccrc.on.ca.

Youth Mission Trip Fundraising: Some of our youth will be going on a mission trip to Toronto with the Urban Tools ministry in July. As part of this trip they are responsible for some fundraising and will be selling cookies (or other baked goods). Please consider purchasing from the youth if you are asked. Please also pray for the youth as they prepare for this trip. Thank you. Krista H and Elaine A.



Vacation Bible School (July 17-21) is coming together. Don't forget to register your children (JK-Grade 6).

- **We are still looking for more volunteers** to be crew leaders, nursery helpers, game leaders, and video leaders. Want to donate

supplies to make VBS look great? Have a look at the YouTube video "Maker Fun Factory Decorating Walk Through" for more ideas of what we're looking for.

- **Recycling sculpture contest:** Don't forget to start building! There are prizes for the best sculpture so enlist your family and friends and get your imagination going. Don't forget to make these sculptures out of recycled materials. **Submissions are due on June 18th.**
- If you have items to donate to VBS there is a labeled area across from the Sunday School storage cupboard where items can be placed.

If you have questions or need more information about any of the preceding points, please contact Melodie S or Kristin Graham.

VBS Meeting: There is a **mandatory volunteer meeting** on Tuesday, June 6, at 7:00 PM in the 4-plex at the church.

The Deacons (incoming, currently serving, and retiring) meet this Tuesday, June 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the multipurpose room in the church.

The BOB's (Bureau of Beautification) could use some help **tomorrow morning (Monday, June 5)** with cutting out letters. This is in preparation for decorating the sanctuary for the upcoming sermon series. If you have some time and scissors, your help would be appreciated. Please be at the church at 9:30 a.m.

VINE will be meeting this Tuesday to talk about capital punishment. Come on out to the Tim Hortons by the church at 6:30 p.m. For questions or more information, please contact Matthias M.

Volleyball: All are welcome to join in this Tuesday, at 8:00 p.m. for fun and non-competitive volleyball. If you have questions or would like to know more, please contact Adom P at or check out our Facebook Page "Volleyball at CCRC".

Friday Night Bible study year end BBQ will be at Anne D's on June 16 at 5:30 p.m. Watch for more details via email or mail slot.

Youth News

**Teen Club
(Grade 7 & 8)**

Soooo, just when you thought you were done for the year, we have one more invitation that has been extended **to the current GRADE 8's**, from Student Impact.

They have invited the grade 8's to participate in their annual Scavenger Hunt around the city with them and their leaders on **Wednesday, June 14th** (NOTE THE DATE CHANGE) from 6:30-9:00. You will meet up with them at the church for a BBQ at 6:30 and then receive instructions before the Scavenger hunt begins!

Please let Student Impact know if you are able to attend; email them at youth@ccrc.on.ca to confirm. They need to know numbers in order to plan appropriately for drivers for the evening.

Grade 7's.....this is something you can look forward to next year!

**Student Impact
Grades 9-12**

Mark your calendars for June 14 – the final night of Student Impact this season. A Scavenger Hunt is being organized - more details to follow.

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 bulletin board across from the washrooms for information.

MISCELLANEOUS

Spring Concert (7:30pm) & Senior Art Exhibition (6:30pm): Wednesday June 7. Join Woodland Christian High School for an excellent evening of music and art. The night will feature the Woodland choir and the Jr. & Sr. Concert Bands with music that will both inspire and entertain you. Come early and tour the senior art class gallery.