

Clinton Christian Reformed Church Sunday, April 19, 2015

Website: www.clintonchristianreformedchurch.ca

WELCOME to our worship service in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. **This morning** we're having a special service of prayer for our world, the church and this new growing season. Join us as together we engage in this powerful work of God's kingdom. If you come as a visitor today, we hope you will leave as a friend. Whether you are a newcomer to the community or to our church, we are honoured to have you here. May we all be strengthened and encouraged by the proclamation of the gospel. Please take the opportunity to sign a Care Card in the pews and place in the offering bag. After the service please join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall.

<u>Prayer Needs:</u> Our Heavenly Father is gracious and He has an ever listening ear. We can call to Him at all times and find refuge in Him because of Jesus. This is a comfort and a vital outlet for our personal concerns and the concerns of others. Let us be faithful in praying for one another, asking the Lord to strengthen, heal and encourage. Remember those with health challenges:

Bert Renkema and our shut-ins: Alice Bakelaar, Teresa Vanderhaar, Fay Stryker, Pietje Bylsma, Jane VanSpengen and Sandra Raidt. Our condolences go out to Janet Haverkamp and her family with the sudden death of her sister, Audrey, who was living in London. We pray that God will surround both family and friends with His comfort.

Birthday Congratulations to **Bill Gerrits**, April 20, who will be celebrating his 79th birthday. May God bless you on your special day.



Session 11: The Great Mystery and Destiny: Marriage foreshaeows the future of every Christina; the wedding of Christ to His bride, the Church.

On Sunday April 26th Pastor Ron will be in Cambridge fulfilling a classical assignment. **Stan Puklicz** will lead us in worship.

At the January Council meeting a <u>VOTE OF AFFIRMATION</u> was adopted by council for the choosing of Elders and Deacons. The Congregation will be asked to show their support for the nominees by an act of affirmation. Once the list of nominees has been finalized you will be asked to endorse as many of the nominees as you would like. All of the nominees who have received a 70% endorsement will be considered affirmed by the membership. Those names will be put into a hat. Lots will then be cast as usual. Some of the upcoming dates to keep in mind are; **April 19**-Nominations due, **April 20**-Council Nomination Meeting, **May 17**-Affirmation of the Nominees, **May 24**-Casting of Lots and **June 7**-installation.

The Semi-Annual Congregational meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 27 at 7:30pm. The meeting information can be found in your mailboxes. A reminder to all committee leaders, to have your reports prepared and emailed to your clerk prior to the meeting.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

For more information on our groups and programs, please visit our church website.

Monday, April 20- @7:30pm – Council Nomination Meeting & Worship Committee Meeting Tuesday, April 21 – @ 1:30 - Yoga; 7:15pm – Young People; 7:30pm – Pins & Needles Wednesday, April 22 - @9am – Knitting Club; 8pm – Men of Note

Sunday, April 26 -@10am-Worship Service; No Pastor's Class; 3pm- No Family Project

HOSPITALITY SCHEDULE

| | April 19 | April 26 |
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| | Prayer Service | |
| Pastor am / 3pm | Ron Luchies/Family Project | Stan Puklicz / Family Project |
| Leading Elder | Bert VanMaar | Mark Damsma |
| Ushers: Main | Herman & Johanna Ramaker | John & Nelly Hoogendoorn |
| Wing | Daryl DeBoer | Pete VanDriel |
| Song Leader | Jubilation | Kim VanWyk |
| Pianist | Arlene VanMaar | Dick Roorda / Irene Dykstra |
| Screen- am / 3 pm | Jackie Vanderhaar for both | MaryAnn Hathaway for both |
| Sound System | Bill VanWyk | Brad Kroes |
| Offerings | Huron Serve | Huron Christian Tuition Relief |
| Coffee Hosts | A & F Durrer / Janet Haverkamp | Jake & Annie VanMaar |
| Mom of Month | Sarah Rylaarsdam | Sarah Rylaarsdam |
| Nursery am | Frances Thompson, Gertie | Heather Van Dorp, Derek |
| | Greidanus, Jessica Helder | Rozendal, Paul deLange |
| Helpers am | Brookelyn Kootstra, MacKenzie | Julia Waanders, Maria Pot, |
| | Brace, Maddison Brace | Joshua VanDorp |
| Nursery 3pm | Gieny Tiesma, JoAnne VanMaar | Francine Durrer, Anita Otten, |
| | Cameron Dykstra | Laura Damsma |
| Sunday School | Katie Jurgens, Annie VanMaar | Katie Jurgens, Annie VanMaar |
| Teachers/Helpers | Brendan VanWyk, Alex Durrer | Emily Damsma, Eli Goodburn |

GROUNDWORK: JONAH AND GOD'S GRACE: - The conclusion of Jonah's story reflects back to us a sad truth about our fallen nature. But at the same time, Jonah's conversation with God in Jonah 3 & 4 gives us hope in the greatness of our Creator's grace. Subscribe for free weekly email notifications at ListenToGroundwork.com or visit GroundworkOnline.com to find a local radio station or listen now.

KIDS KORNER: A HERO, GOD'S WAY - HEROES 2: - Liz's dad agrees to take Liz and his friends to help in Caiman City. But Liz has to get donations of supplies before he can go. Then Liz's dad gives him the family heirloom pocket watch as a reminder to trust in God for this endeavor. Follow the adventures of Liz and his pals every week: subscribe for free at getkidscorner.com. Be sure to download this special song, "Leap of Faith," at kidscorner.net/offer.

Redeemer Youth Certificate Bursary Available for volunteer youth workers who are currently serving in churches within Classis Huron who would like to grow their ministry capacity and effectiveness.. Deadline for applications for the bursary is May 15, 2015. For details on who may apply and how to apply for this bursary. please check out the Classis Huron website http://www.classishuron.ca/formsandmandates under the Youth Ministry section or email Lesli van Milligen leslilynne@gmail.com

Disability Concerns Spring Conference - At the "Let's Talk, Let's Listen", Disability Concerns conference on April 25, 2015, we will learn about anxiety and depression from Jennifer Bowen of Shalem Mental Health Network. Dan VanderPlaats of Elim Christian Services (Chicago) will help us with the changing attitudes about disabilities, belonging, and inclusion. Join us at Maranatha CRC in Woodstock for this uplifting and transformative day! Everyone is welcome! See www.crcna.org/disability for more information and registration. Don't delay!

You are invited to join us for our 2015 Gala Banquet featuring Phil Callaway on Thursday, April 30 at the Four Points Sheraton (1150 Wellington Rd. S. London, ON). Reception at 6pm. Dinner at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$50 each or purchase a tale of 8 for \$400. Hear the powerful testimonies of the Teen Challenge Ontario Men's & Women's Choir! To purchase your tickets, call no later than April 24th: 888-417-777 ext 7325 or visit www.tclondon.ca

FREE WEBINAR - Join us on April 22 for "Youth, Depression and Suicide" presented by June Zwier and Winnie Visser. This webinar will explore the issues of depression and suicide particular to youth and how we as a church can be equipped to effectively help and support. To register for this free, one-hour event, visit crcna.org/webinars.

Get Connected! - The Network has always been about making connections. Across the CRC, there are people like you who are involved in their church's ministry. By connecting you with your peers, The Network helps you quickly find the answers, tools, and ideas you need to serve in your congregation! Join The Network (www.crcna.org/Network) to find blogs, discussion topics, ministry Q&A, church jobs, and much more!

Canadian Teachers: - Are you interested in exploring the impact Christ-centred education has in a developing nation? Embark on a 10-day Discover & Learn trip this summer with EduDeo Ministries as we listen to, learn from, and encourage Christian school teachers in Nicaragua. Visit edudeo.com for more information. Applications due by May 1, 2015.

Think Christian Creation Care E-book - What does "fill the Earth and subdue it" look like in our everyday lives? A special collection on creation care from Think Christian explores this intriguing question. In time for Earth Day, we look at perspectives on an array of environment-related topics from some of TC's contributors. Get it at www.thinkchristian.net/earthday.

To the congregation of Clinton CRC: Your kind donation of \$2,298.40 in March for the various programs of the Canadian Food Grains Bank (CFGB) will help impact and bless thousands of people, and many communities worldwide, through the distribution of food. The CFGB, made up of 15 agencies of which World Renew is one, works to share Christ's love and light. You also donated \$2,149.70 for disaster response. Thank you, and God bless you.

Grade 9 & 10 Catechism: We are done classes for this year. Enjoy your summer and see you in the fall!

WOMEN OF OUR CONGREGATION: Do you enjoy being around fun loving girls ages 9-13? Our Clinton G.E.M.S. club is growing and has an opportunity for you. We have openings for four Counselors for our new season October-April. Training and resource material included. Pray for God to work in the hearts of the women he has selected. For more information contact our club coordinator Ann Reinink @ 519-523-4806.

Congregational Potluck with Teen Challenge: After the morning service on May 10, everyone is invited to the HCS gym for a potluck lunch. We are looking forward to hearing testimonies from a few members of Teen Challenge that morning so please bring an extra portion of food to serve our guests.

LIBRARY: At first there was nothing, a void to be embraced. Next came the pain...terrifying waves of agony as consciousness began to emerge. Mark fought desperately to keep hold of the darkness. Soon he heard voices, but he couldn't make out the words. INTERVIEW WITH THE DEVIL by clay Jacobsen.

DVBS is coming again in August! This year will be "Son Spark Labs" full of wonder, experimentation and exploration! If you are interested in helping please contact Angela Kaptein

The next meeting of the **DR Work Team** for Winter 2016 will be held on Thursday, April 30th, at 8 pm at the Clinton CRC. Anyone considering joining the next work team is encouraged to attend. Contact **Melody van Dorp** at 519-482-8090 or <u>melodyv@tcc.on.ca</u> for more info.

Fundraising Drive: Huron Christian School invites you to participate in our 2014-15 Fundraising Drive. You can donate by picking an envelope with a pre-determined donation amount from the school (on display in the foyer) or you will find in your church mailboxes a blank envelope to make a donation of your choice. Simply return the filled envelope to HCS, through your church offering bag, or to your church rep Janet Kootstra. Your donations will assist with sustaining affordable tuition for all families and ongoing operating costs of the school. Our goal is to have these envelopes filled by May 31! Thank-you for your contribution and support.



Prayer Service Pastor Ron Luchies

* indicates to please stand if able

Welcome
Explanation of the Service



Adoration

Responsive Opening Litany from the Psalms

* God's Blessing

* Song of Praise: # 556 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Confession

Scripture Reading: Psalm 51: 1-12 (pg562

Time for Silent Personal Prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness

Songs of Celebration: SB# 30 "I Will Enter His Gates" 2x's

SB# 41 "O Give Thanks"

Thanksgiving

Children's Message

ages 3-Gr.2, leave afterwards

Offertory Prayer

Offering: Huron Serve

Song of Gratitude: PH# 495 "I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace"

vs1- all, vs 2- women, vs3- men, vs4- all

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 22: 23-31 (pg 840)

Meditation on Ezekiel 22:30: "In the Gap"

1. Times were bad

2. The question being asked3. You and I as the answer

4. Beginning now

Supplication

Prayers of the People

Song: PH# 432: 1,2 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Prayers for crops and the creation Prayers for home and school

Song: PH# 432: 3,4 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Prayers for business and industry Prayers for church and world

* Closing Song: PH# 322 "God the Father of Your People"

Sunday School for Gr.3-6 and Catechism 7-12 leave during singing

* Benediction

* Doxology: **SB# 60: 1,2** "The Trees of the Field"

There are large print hymn books, Bibles and songbooks available. Ask an usher.

Craft Day! Huron Christian School Grade 7/8 Trip Fundraiser: Calling all Scrapbookers, knitters, crocheters, quilters, and crafters! Come out for a day of fun on Saturday May 9th! \$50 for the day, \$45 early bird price if you book your table by April 24th. Can't come all day? We have a \$30 half day price. Lunch and Dinner included. Door prizes, make and take project, scrapbooking tools for your use. Vendors include: Stampin Up!, First Choice Trophies and Scrapbooking, and Creative Memories. Email office@huronchristianschool.ca to book your table!

On Saturday May 2 at 7.30 pm there will be a **Festival of Praise** in **Goderich** at the **Lakeside United Church** (56 North St.) This event is hosted by the "Men of Note" of Clinton and area. Other participants are 4 male choirs: Men of Praise, Woodstock; Sursum Corda, Sarnia; Chatham-Kent Chr. Male Choir, Chatham and Crescendo of Mt Brydges. There will be individual choir songs as well as mass choir performances and some congregational singing. As a special treat we have invited the **Huron Harp School** from Goderich to let you enjoy special music on numerous harps! Admission is \$10.00. Come on out and bring friends and family. For info call **Douwe and Jannie Top**, 519 887 8610 or email douwetop@xplornet.ca

Torch men in Concert: Sponsored by Main St. United Church Choir, Mitchell Sunday afternoon, April 26th, beginning at 2:30 PM In Mitchell Community Centre Tickets \$15 each, available from choir members, church office(519-348-8882), or at the door.

DR OPEN YOUTH TEAM - Join youth/young adults from the Dominican Republic to form a cross-cultural youth missions team in the DR from July 22 – Aug.3 this summer. If you love sports, drama, music, kids and youth, as well as making new friends, this is for you! Additional details can be found at www.crwm.org or contact volunteer@crcna.org.

SWaP for YAYAs - Serve With a Purpose in Uganda or Honduras for 4 weeks this summer. SWaP is more than just a mission trip! It's a program for youth and young adults (YAYAs age 14 - 24) who are looking to plan, learn, grow and serve both globally and locally. Do More, Be More with SWaP! See details at www.worldrenew.net or contact volunteer@crcna.org.

LADIES You're Invited: Join us for a time of refreshing at the "AFTERNOON SPLASH" women's mini-conference. Featured Speaker is Laura Lynn Tyler Thompson, co-host of the television program "The 700 Club Canada" and the author of the book "Relentless Redemption". This is Laura Lynn's amazing testimony of her own journey to God's relentless redemption and love in her life. Host, speaker and special music is Laurie Marks Vincent, award winning vocalist, author and inspirational speaker. Tickets are just \$5 in advance [deadline May 15th] plus Love Offering. \$10 at the door. DATE: Saturday, May 30th TIME: 1-4 pm LOCATION: 245 Adelaide St. S. London ON. For more information and tickets www.AfternoonSplash.com See Poster.