

Life in Jesus
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Smithville Christian Reformed Church

6522 Smithville Road Box 422, Smithville ON L0R 2A0

February 5, 2012 – Services 10 am & 3 pm

Welcome to Smithville CRC! We are glad that you're here to worship with us today, especially if you are a guest. It's our prayer that together we will experience fellowship with God and each other.

- Child care is provided downstairs during the service for children under 3 years old.
- Children 2 years old are invited to come downstairs before the service begins to attend a Little Lambs program.
- There is Sunday School for children ages 3 – 6 (Grade 1) during the morning service and for children in grades 2 & 3 during the afternoon service. Children may leave part way through the service as indicated in the order of worship.
- Children's bulletins are available from the holders at the back of the church.
- Large print Hymnals (PsH), songbooks (LP) and bulletins are available by the mail slots
- Today Pastor Greg will lead the service this morning. This afternoon Pastor Martin Damm will be here on a pulpit exchange.
- Following the morning service everyone is invited downstairs for coffee/tea/juice and for a time of fellowship.
- *Smithville Christian Reformed Church is a fragrance-free building.*
- Pre-service prayer downstairs beginning at 9:30 am

ORDER OF WORSHIP – 10 am WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome

Call to Worship:

Pastor: The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.

All: For He has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.

Pastor: Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us and we are His.

All: We are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

Pastor: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name.

All: For the LORD is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.

Opening Songs: *Hallelujah (Your love is amazing)*

LP 309

Lord, I lift Your Name on High

LP 44

Personal Prayer concluded with: *Lord I Pray*

PH 268

*God's Greeting:

Pastor: Let us lift up our hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Grace to you and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

through the

indwelling power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

Amen!

*Song of Praise: *Blessed Jesus, at Your Word*

PH 280

Cadet Program

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

All: Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and turn them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Call to Holy Living: Cadet Sunday Litany

Song of Dedication: *Ancient words*

LP 179

Children's Prayer & Blessing: after which 3-year-olds through first graders are dismissed for Sunday School

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Reading: **2 Timothy 2:1-2 and 15**

Bible page 1853

Message: **Prepare Yourself**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response: *Living for Jesus*

PH 292

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Church Ministries & Cadets

Offertory Prayer

WE LEAVE TO SERVE GOD TOGETHER

*Call to Service/ Parting Blessing

***Closing Song: *Be the Centre*

LP 239

* please stand if you are able

***Give sufficient time for elders, deacons and the physically challenged to leave the sanctuary first.

AFTER SERVICE PRAYER: God touches our hearts during a worship service or we come to church with burdens on our hearts. After the service someone from the prayer ministry is available for prayer in the sanctuary.

This Week: Linda Van Elburg & Marie Versteeg **Next Week:** Joyce Koornneef & Janet Zantingh

ORDER OF WORSHIP – 3 pm GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Welcome and call to worship

Silent prayer concluded with singing *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*

PsH 624

*God's greeting

GOD INVITES US TO SHARE IN SONGS, PRAYERS & GIFTS

*Song service: *O Praise the Lord For It is Good*

PsH 187

Praise the Lord Sing Hallelujah

PsH 188

After which children grades 2-3 are dismissed for Sunday school

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Calvin College

Offertory hymn: *Have Thine Own Way, Lord*

PsH 287

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Prayer for understanding

Scripture reading: **1 Cor 9:19-27**

Bible

page 1781

Message: **Freedom in Christ** (1 Cor 9:19)

Prayer of application

Hymn of response: *Jesu, Jesu (vs 1,2,4)*

PsH 601

*Confession of Faith, Apostles Creed

GOD BLESSES US AS WE LEAVE TO SERVE

*Closing song: *By the Sea of Chrystal*

PsH 620

*God's parting blessing

***Threefold 'Amen'

- **Next Sunday, in the morning service, we will celebrate with Casey VanderVelde** as she presents her four children for baptism. Pastor Greg will lead the service. In the afternoon we will begin the February series and Pastor Ryan Braam from Grace CRC in Welland will lead that service.

Church Family

- Continue to pray for Gaven Weyers, Gerry Ridder, John Haanstra, Arie Versteeg and all those battling cancer. Pray for their healing and for strength to endure many treatments and test they must go through. Pray also for their families as they walk alongside them on this difficult journey.
- Rob Hamming had surgery this past week to repair a herniated disc in his back. Pray that the recovery will go well and for complete healing.
- Pray for Henry and Judy Lunshof who tragically lost their niece, Glenda Robson, this past week.
- May our gracious God bless you on your birthday, and grant you more years of health and happiness.
 - Feb. 5 Uegene VanderWier, Melissa Vos
 - Feb. 6 Jonathan Attema
 - Feb. 7 Eric Slothouber, Pat VanderWier
 - Feb. 9 Teresa Crowder

New Members' Class: Pastor Greg will be offering a New Members' Class in the church offices, beginning on Wednesday March 7 at 7:30pm for all those who desire to profess

their faith in Jesus Christ and become members of our church. In the class we will talk about our faith and our distinctly Reformed teachings and practices. We will also learn about the Vision and Mission of our church and our individual spiritual gifts and how they can be used in the community and the church. If you are interested in being part of this class please contact the church office.

VALENTINE`S DINNER: It's that time of year again! Get ready to reserve your seat at "*The Tropical Island Breeze Restaurant*", on Feb 11. Smithville CRC's Youth will once again be holding the annual **Valentine's dinner** to fundraise for **SERVE!!!!** The dinner will start at 7:00 (doors open at 6:45), at the Covenant grade school gym! *Please reserve your seat with Nicole or Teresa soon!*

Youth Talks! When: Sunday, February 5, 2012 Time: 7:00 Place: Grace CRC (660 South Pelham Rd, Welland) Speaker: Pastor Chris deWinter Offering: Rose City Kids Hope to see you all there for an evening of worship, conversation and snacks. If you have any questions, please contact AnnElise @ ateeuwsen@yahoo.ca. ~ Niagara Youth Leader Support Team.

Youth: You're invited to the annual **Winter Youth Retreat** at Camp Crossroads (Torrance, ON). On March 2-4 2012. Speaker: Pastor Craig Danielson. Worship Team: Alpha Praise (Redeemer University College) Cost: \$90 (not incl transportation) Are you ready for a great time of worship, snow tubing, cross-country skiing, skating, games, small group discussions and good food. To register talk to your youth leader or contact AnnElise ateeuwsen@yahoo.ca, 289-407-4767.

Get Connected – Small Groups: looking for a place to grow and meet others? If you are not already involved in a small group, we highly encourage you to try one of these groups that are about to begin! Today and next week, you will have the opportunity to sign up for 3 options: the Dining Bible Study Small Group (meets Friday March 2), Sacred Marriage (6 week marriage enrichment study starting Feb 19) or a Saturday Night Study Group (Bible Study of choice starting Feb 19). Fill out a sign up sheet at the table in the foyer or contact Angela aattema@smithvillecrc.ca

Church Council Selection - Church council will soon begin working on developing a list of church members to stand for selection as elders or deacons. If you are aware of a member that you feel would make a good office bearer we would encourage you to speak to that person and discuss your desire to forward their name to council, to be added to the list of candidates. We hope that we will receive many suggestions.

Attention all ushers - there will be a meeting on Feb. 12, 2012 after the am service in the council room for all ushers.

Dutch Service will be held in Ancaster Christian Reformed Church on February 19, 2012 at 3:00pm. Rev. Ralph Koops will be leading this sermon.

@ the Library You'll find *The Living End* by Lisa Samson in the library today. In it, a woman's husband dies unexpectedly after a stroke. Devastated, she decides to fulfill her husband's "to-do" list and then end her life. But she meets so many interesting people along the way who help her to find her faith in God and to make her realize that her life is worth living after all. Also, *The Penny Promise* is a family comedy based around the life of Will, a young man who is trying to save \$10,000 to prove to his sweetheart's father that he is worthy to marry his daughter.

Attention all Ball Hockey Players! There will be a ball hockey tournament at Kooiman's on **Feb. 11, 2012** to raise money for Chris Hamming's upcoming Mission Trip to Nicaragua with e3 Partners Ministries. If you would like to enter a team or want more information, contact Chris at 905-386-6198 or chamming24@hotmail.com. Cost is \$125 per team. Guaranteed 3 games.

Church Office: Sonja Priester will be filling in for Carolyn Hamming while she is on vacation. Office hours will be: Tuesday till Friday from 8:30am-3:15pm.

Church Information

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