

# LISTS AND CONTACTS

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## February 18

### Nursery:

**AM:** Leanne G, Morgan G, Katie B  
**PM:** Cathy K, Suzanna V  
**Little Lambs:** Emily L, Alicia L

### Parking Patrol:

**AM:** Daniel D      **PM:** Garret D

### Greeter:

Henk & Diny Wendt

### Host Family:

Shaun & Brenda Raap

### Ladies Aid Coffee Social - TBA

**Servers:** Belinda D, Amy G, Leanne G, Els L  
**Bakers:** Jennifer V, Krista V, Cheryl V, Audrey V, Esther V

### For the month of February

**Parking Lot Cleanup:** Shaun R      **Nursery Cleaning:** Amy G      **Laundry:**

### List Keepers

For any questions regarding the various volunteer opportunities, you may contact:

Bakers and Servers.....Fran Schouten  
Birthday/Anniversary.....Jennifer van de Kamp  
Helping Hands.....Ann and Lisa Bysterveld  
Little Lambs.....Leanne Grim  
Nursery Schedule.....Cheryl van den Hoven  
Parking Lot Cleanup.....Darryl Vandeburgt  
Parking Lot Patrol.....Jason Noort  
Refugee Aid Committee.....Doug Schouten  
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## February 25

### Nursery:

**AM:** Brenda R, Hazel R, Maria D  
**PM:** Jenny V, Emily L  
**Little Lambs:** Allyson D, Bethany L

### Parking Patrol:

**AM:** Luke D      **PM:** Derek H

### Greeter:

Heres & Frieda Snijder

### Host Family:

Heres & Frieda Snijder

### Ladies Aid Coffee Social - TBA

**Servers:** Nora V, Cathy K, Julia H, Carolyn K  
**Bakers:** Christine V, Rachel V, Mary V, Jenny V



# CLOVERDALE CANADIAN REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday February 18, 2018

**Morning Service 9:30AM**

**Afternoon Service 2:00PM**

*Rev. William den Hollander*

*Elder Siebe DeJong*

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

\*Votum (Psalm 124:8)

Congregation: **Our help is in the Name of the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. Amen.**

\*Salutation.....1 Corinthians 1:3

\*Singing.....**Psalm 147:1,4,6**

Reading of the Law

Singing.....**Psalm 65:2**

Prayer

Public Reading of Holy Scripture

**Nehemiah 1**

(342, 734)

Singing.....**Psalm 126:1,2**

Ministry of the Word

**Nehemiah 1**

(342, 734)

### PREPARE FOR ACTION WITH PASSIONATE PRAYER

1. Out of love for the people of God
2. With awe for the God of his people
3. In dependence on the God of his people

\*Response in Song.....**Hymn 63:1,3,6,8**

Prayer

Offering

\*Singing.....**Hymn 41**

\*Benediction.....2 Corinthians 13:14

**\*Three-fold Amen**

\*Salutation.....Revelation 1:4,5

\*Singing.....**Psalm 98:1**

Prayer

Public Reading of Holy Scripture

**Ezekiel 18**

(597, 1303)

Singing.....**Psalm 85:2,3,4**

Ministry of the Word

**Lord's Day 4**

(Book of Praise, 520)

### THE PERFECT MARRIAGE OF JUSTICE AND MERCY

1. God's high standard
2. The soul's heavy responsibility
3. God's rich mercy

\*Response in Song.....**Psalm 32:1,3**

\*Apostle's Creed.....**Hymn 1**

Offering

Singing.....**Hymn 5**

Prayer

\*Singing.....**Hymn 10**

\*Benediction.....Numbers 6:24-26

**\*Three-fold Amen**      *\*Indicates standing*

## Welcome

We're very thankful that you have joined us today! Today is the Lord's Day, the day our loving Father and Creator set aside at the beginning of every week to nourish and refresh us. He does this by gathering us together, speaking His love and grace to us in the reading and preaching of His Holy Word, the Bible. Through His Word, He feeds us and unites us to Himself in Jesus Christ, through His Holy Spirit and through the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

If you are here for the first time, we would like to get to know you, and give you the opportunity to get to know us. Please feel welcome to stick around and mingle with us after the worship service. One of our host families will gladly invite you over for lunch.

If you're interested in learning more about God, His Son Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, or anything else that is part of the Christian faith, please feel free to ask one of our Elders or Deacons for assistance. We are available and would be happy to help.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

19 Anita Dam  
21 Tianna Veenendaal

## Notices and Updates

### Life in the Congregation

This week we can report that Sr. Lucy Mulder returned safely from her trip to Calgary to attend the funeral of her sister Margaret. While it was a sad occasion, Lucy reported that it was very good to be with the family, and to experience comfort and joy in seeing them again. While in Calgary, she learned that her nephew's wife had passed away in Ottawa, also from a cancer related illness. We offer you condolences, Lucy, and we pray that you may be comforted by the communion of the saints here in Cloverdale.

We note that the seniors of our church held a lively get-together on Tuesday. Because it was so close to Valentine's Day, a few of the seniors told some stories of how they met and fell in love long ago. This was back in the day when you wrote letters to your beloved and postage stamps cost less than five cents! Sr. Ann Bysterveld presented a talk on how Senior's Falls can be Prevented. Great work, Ann! Your advice was much appreciated.

There are a few birthdays to report on this week. Besides Mrs. Ostermeier celebrating her 90th on the 13th, we note that Sr. Anita Dam and Tianna Veenendaal will be celebrating a birthdays as well. Congratulations to you both. May the Lord grant you a wonderful and joyful day, with many blessings through the year.

Today we also want to say "Happy New Year!" to all of our brothers and sisters in the Chinese Reformed Church. The celebration of the Chinese Lunar New Year

### Reformed String Camp

The twelfth annual Reformed String Camp is planned for July 9-13 in Smithville, ON, with concerts on July 13, 14, and 15. Stringed instrument players of all ages may apply now at [www.ReformedStringCamp.org](http://www.ReformedStringCamp.org), where more information is also available.

***Applications are due March 31.***

## **William of Orange Annual School Dinner Fundraiser**

Mark your Calendars! Don your fanciest mask and join us for a Masquerade Ball!

\*\*\*\***NOTE CHANGE OF TIME**

**Doors open at 5:30, dinner is at 6:00**

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William Of Orange Christian Elementary School's annual fundraising dinner is on February 23rd, 2018

So is Rev. Moesker's speech in Abbotsford. We have changed to time to accommodate this.

**Doors open at 5:30, dinner is at 6:00.**

We will offer a "to go" coffee and dessert for anyone who wants to make Rev. Moesker's speech.

Tickets: \$35 each /\$25 student and senior Prizes for best masks and most creative attire!

Please reserve your tickets by emailing [wofo.school.dinner@gmail.com](mailto:wofo.school.dinner@gmail.com)

## **Coldest Night of the Year Walk**

Mark your calendars! On Saturday, Feb. 24 the Coldest night of the year walk will be held. This is a great community fundraiser to raise funds for the Cloverdale Community Kitchen. There is the option of either a 5k or 10k walk. The walk starts at 5pm at the Community Kitchen; 5337 -180th Street. If you are interested in joining the church team or for more info, talk to Melanie Vandeburgt.

## **FVYPL Annual Dessert Gala**

Do you have a sweet tooth? Treat yourself, and support your local young people at the same time! The Fraser Valley Young People's League is hosting its annual Dessert Gala on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at 7:30 PM in the Aldergrove Canadian Reformed Church. There will be live entertainment, a silent auction, and of course, lots of dessert! Tickets are \$20 each, with all proceeds going to the annual Maylong Study Weekend. Please RSVP by February 19, 2018 at [www.fvypl.com/dessertgala](http://www.fvypl.com/dessertgala). Thank you for supporting your young people!"

## **Voice of the Church**

Voice of the church is pleased to introduce its prepared meditations for the month of February.

We are very thankful that Rev. J Witteveen and Rev.C.Bosch took the time to prepare these short clips. They will be broadcast on your local radio stations at their usual times, on the following dates and under the displayed titles:

February 18th	The journey of Wisdom (Rev. J. Witteveen)
February 25th	How valuable is Wisdom's counsel (Rev. C. Bosch)

After they have been broadcasted, You can download the podcast version from our website at <http://voiceofthechurch.org/meditations-library/>

took place on February 16th this year, and the year 2018 became the year of the Dog. So, please say "Gung Hay Fat Choy!" to one and all of our Chinese brothers and sisters and wish them the Lord's blessings in the New Year. I am sure they will cheerfully teach you how to pronounce those words correctly!

We welcome Rev. William den Hollander of the Langley Canadian Reformed Church to lead our service in the morning and Elder S. DeJong to read a sermon in the afternoon. May we all be unified and strengthened as we worship the Lord together and sing praises to our Sovereign God.

## **Home Visitation Theme**

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in wisdom..."

Colossians 3:16a

## **Do you have a prayer request?**

Please let an elder or a deacon know if you have a prayer request or would like a visit.

## **Bible Studies**

### **Semiahmoo Community Bible Study**

God's Providence, or how God continues to look after this world, will be the topic for the next meeting. This will prove to be a very interesting discussion. The starting point will be the Belgian Confession, but the discussion can go anywhere the meeting decides.

We meet in the meeting room on the first floor of the Semiahmoo Library on 152 Street and 18th Ave. from 7:30 to 8:30pm. We welcome everyone and all opinions. There is no charge or obligation involved. However, it is wise to bring a Bible.

## **Catechism Classes**

### ***Junior Class:***

Memory Work: LD 47  
Psalm 115:1  
LD 48  
Matthew 6:33

### ***Intermediate Class:***

Memory Work: LD 47  
Matthew 5:16  
LD 48  
Psalm 99:1

## **Message Board**

### **Zion Manor Park Manor Vespers**

Date and Time: February 18 @ 330pm  
EC Leader: Lucas Nincao  
Presenting Group: Women's Society  
Accompanist: Maria Dykstra

### **Change of Address Notice**

Sr. Rita Wendt, Jessica, and Ryan have moved to a new home since their former home has now been put up for sale. Their new address is **15143 – 81st Avenue, Surrey, BC**. The telephone numbers are all

still the same. Please make a note of the change in your address books. Thank you!

### **Neighbourhood Meeting Place**

Several years ago, Richard Bultje spoke here at an evangelism conference and said something along the lines of "If you wait till you have everything organized to the nth degree, nothing will ever happen. If God has placed something on your heart to do, just get started."

For the past month or two, several of us have been tossing around the idea of starting a Saturday morning neighbourhood "gathering place" in the foyer of the church. This initiative has grown out of two other ideas: first, the neighbourhood Bible studies which are operating in various locations, and second, the idea of a Reading Room, which is not operating for lack of a location. Why not use the space we already have to invite people to come into the space where we'd like them to be?

Our idea is to set up a sign on Saturday mornings inviting people in for "coffee, conversation and counselling" between 10 am and 2 pm. While we're not really sure what the result of our invitation will be, we would like to "just get started". Several of us have committed to being present during those hours, but we'd also like to offer the opportunity to anyone else who would like to join us in this endeavour. If you'd like to help, or if you want more information, talk to Stan Leyenhorst.

### **Geneva Society Lecture**

#### ***Responsible Automation: Faith & Work in an Age of Intelligent Machines***

A free public lecture by Dr. Derek Schuurman, Professor of Computer Science, Calvin College

**Saturday March 3, 2018, 7:30pm**

Christ Covenant Church (PCA)  
6866 Glover Rd, Langley

As the digital revolution and automation rapidly transform the economy, many warn that robotics and artificial intelligence could lead to the "end of work." Hear how norms informed by a Christian perspective for responsible technology can help us responsibly harness the possibilities of new technologies while ensuring flourishing for humans and the rest of creation.

### **Are we following the churches in The Netherlands?**

**Note: start time changed to 8:00pm**

In June 2017 our Dutch sister churches, the Reformed Churches in The Netherlands, decided in synod to allow females to serve in all three church offices. A month later, the RCN was suspended from the International Conference of Reformed Churches for this decision. What has been the change in the RCN? And are we, the CanRC, headed in the same direction?

Rev. Jack Moesker is to address these questions in a speech hosted by the Reformed Bible College. His presentation has the following outline:

- Changes in church life in the RCN at ground level. Things have much changed in worship and mission in the RCN.
- Changes in Bible interpretation (aka hermeneutics). In order to legitimize the changes in church life there was pressure to change how the Bible is read.
- A deeper issue. The visible and hermeneutic changes are product of today's man-centered, individualistic and emotionalistic culture.
- What about the CanRC? Some troubling signs of movement in a similar direction in the CanRC.

As member of the CanRC committee for relations with The Netherlands for many years, Rev. Moesker is well qualified to speak on this topic. A helpful topic, especially for those serving in office.

Date & Time: Friday, February 23  
8:00-10:00 pm

Location: Abbotsford Canadian  
Reformed Church

The costs associated with this event will be covered by donations. Donations can be made at [www.rbcollge.com](http://www.rbcollge.com). Receipts for tax purposes will be issued for donations \$10 and more, provided a name and address is given. Donations will also be received during the event, via collection or at a table if a receipt is desired.

*Vanderheide Publishing* will have a book table in the fellowship hall.

### **Understanding God's Written Word**

Among the questions much discussed among Bible-believing Christianity today are the following: How do we read the Bible? How do we distinguish between literal and figurative language? How does the original context (historical, literary, cultural) impact our understanding of Scripture? How does our context influence our reading of Scripture? Are there right and wrong ways to use Scripture? What are common fallacies?

In September, 2016 the Reformed Bible College has offered a course considering answers to these and other questions. That course is again being offered. This course is considered especially helpful for (aspiring) church leaders such as elders, for teachers (the course is accredited by our school societies), and for post-secondary students. Of course, anyone interested is welcome to attend. Topics to be covered include: the 'rules for exegesis': the impact of language, genre, and culture on our understanding of Scripture. As illustrations for the influence of culture the final lecture looked at the topics of man's creation (Genesis 2:7) and the role of women (1 Timothy 2:12).

The course will again be taught by the Rev. Dr. Karlo Janssen. Classes will be taught at the **Willoughby-Heights CanRC building (7949 202a Street, Langley)**. Classes will run on 4 consecutive Wednesday evenings from **February 28 to March 21**. Each evening begins at 7:30pm. Costs for this course are: \$60 for students, \$80 for singles, and \$120 for couples. To register, please go to [www.rbcollge.com](http://www.rbcollge.com).