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March 10

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AM: Janice N, Lauren VDS, Carlina D
PM: Haidee V, Leah B
Little Lambs: Sabrina & Seyutaw

Parking Patrol:
AM: Darren V **PM:** Arnie V

Greeter:
 Henk & Diny Wendt

Host Family:
 Ken & Christine Vanderploeg

Ladies Aid Coffee Social - TBA
Servers: Cathy K, Christine V, Nora V, Jenny V
Bakers: Andria L, Lyn M-L, Lucy M, Kathy N

For the month of March

Parking Lot Cleanup: Shelley S **Nursery Cleaning:** Janice & Cheryl **Laundry:** Belinda D

List Keepers

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 Little Lambs.....Brenda Raap
 Nursery Schedule.....Cheryl van den Hoven
 Parking Lot Cleanup.....Darryl Vandeburgt
 Parking Lot Patrol.....Zachary Vanderploeg
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Nursery:
AM: Colleen S, Fierte B, Allyson D
PM: Nora V, Laura K
Little Lambs: Brenda & Hazel

Parking Patrol:
AM: Bill B **PM:** Christian B

Greeter:
 Henk & Rita Visscher

Host Family:
 Henk & Rita Visscher

Ladies Aid Coffee Social - TBA
Servers: Hilary S, Amy G, Ann B, Anita D
Bakers: Janice N, Anne-Marie N, Jane P, Ray Paw S

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CLOVERDALE CANADIAN REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday March 10, 2019

Morning Service 9:30AM

Afternoon Service 2:00PM

Rev. James Visscher

Rev. Gary Zekveld

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 65:1,2,3**
 Reading of the Law
 Singing.....**Psalm 40:7**
 Prayer
 Public Reading of Holy Scripture
Numbers 21:1-9
 (129, 152)
 Ministry of the Word
John 3:14, 15
 (888, 1055)

*Salutation.....Revelation 1:4,5
 *Singing.....**Psalm 148:1,2,3**
 Prayer
 Public Reading of Holy Scripture
1 Corinthians 7
 (955, 1135)
 Singing.....**Psalm 131**
 Ministry of the Word
1 Corinthians 7:17-24
 (955, 1135)

BE FAITHFUL WHERE YOU ARE

AS THE SERPENT, SO THE SON

*Response in Song.....**Psalm 108:2**
Celebration of the Lord's Supper
 *Confession of Faith.....**Hymn 1**
 Song of Preparation.....**Hymn 59**
 At the Table:
Table 1: John 1:1-5 Hymn 38:1
Table 2: John 1:9-13 Hymn 38:2
Table 3: John 1:14-18 Hymn 38:3
 Prayer
 Offering
 *Singing.....**Psalm 138:1,4**
 *Benediction.....2 Corinthians 13:14
 *Three-fold Amen

*Response in Song.....**Hymn 65**
 *Apostle's Creed.....**Hymn 1**
 Offering
 Singing.....**Psalm 146:1,4,5**
 Prayer
 *Singing.....**Psalm 148:4**
 *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

Notices and Updates

Life in the Congregation

We begin this week with some joyful news! We note with thanks that sr. Gerie Kobes has become a great-grandmother again with the birth of "Thea Carolyn Schouten". Thea was born on February 26th to Kurtis and Amanda Schouten of Chiliwack Canadian Reformed Church. In this case, we congratulate Gerie and pray that all will be well with the siblings, the parents, the grandparents, and the great-grandparents (Clarence & Marge DeVries) A large and thankful crowd!

Continuing this theme, we note that br. Bill Jongs is still on the mend and getting better every day. His health and mobility are quickly returning to normal and we thank the Lord for his quick recovery. One very surprising turn has taken place. Last week we prayed for sr. Lyn Leyenhorst's mother, who was seriously ill. The surprising part is that she has rallied considerably with the help of a very astute doctor. She is still in the hospital, but has improved. Lyn hopes to visit with her during Spring Break and also hopes to be present for her mom's 101st birthday, which will, the Lord willing, take place on March 17th. So, we continue to pray for the Lord's blessing and care for Lyn's mother.

On a different note, we can also offer some very joyful congratulations to Niek Umland because he finally received word from the Canadian government that his work permit has been approved. We give thanks to the Lord for this development. It will take a couple weeks for the paperwork to arrive yet, but Niek has the green light to work in this country and to help grow the Canadian

Committee for the Book of Praise to the Synod 2019 Edmonton-Immanuel, were reviewed and discussed

B. A discussion was held regarding a proposal received by the steering committee of the Fraser Valley Reformed Christian Counseling Society. A response will be sent.

6. Missions

A. Evangelism Committee – Minutes of the Feb. 19 meeting were received and reviewed.

B. Asia Mission Board – a verbal report was given

C. Aldergrove Mission Board (Brazil) – no report was received

D. Smithers/Prince George – no report was received

7. Congregational items

A. An update was given on the progress of the work of the calling committee. They will meet again later in the week

B. The spring timeline was reviewed and finalized

C. The Maranatha CanRC church has been invited to a combined Cloverdale Good Friday worship service on Friday, April 19, 2019. Rev. Ben Schoof will lead the worship service.

D. A brief discussion was held regarding the 65th Anniversary Potluck Dinner

8. Committee of Administration

The minutes of the Feb. 5, 2019 meeting were received and reviewed

9 Correspondence

A. Received

i. 190210 – Letter from a sister

ii. 190225 – Review of the books of the treasurer of Classis Pacific West

iii. 190228 – Leadership Conference,

April 11 & May 3 in Abbotsford CanRC
iv. 190228 – Standing Committee for Publication of the Book of Praise RE: Clarification

v. 190302 – Minutes of the Superannuation Meeting with Langley Feb. 11

vi. 190302 – Superannuation Agenda RE: Tri-annual meeting May 2019 in Edmonton-Immanuel

B. Sent

i. 190210 – Letter of Appointment to Audit C of A: Jan Bredenhof Feb. 5

ii. 190210 - Letter of Appointment to Audit C of A: Anita Dam Feb. 5

iii. 190210 - Letter of Appointment to Audit R.A.C & E.C.: Cheryl van den Hoven Feb. 5

iv. 190210 - Letter of Appointment to Audit R.A.C & E.C.: Jenny Vanderzyl Feb. 5

v. 190210 - Letter of Appointment to Audit Classis Pacific West: Rita Visscher Feb. 5

vi. 190210 - Letter of Appointment to Audit Classis Pacific West: Grace DeJong Feb. 5

vii. 190302 – Letter of Appointment to Trustee: Aren Vandyke

viii. 190302 – Letter of Appointment to Trustee: Ken Vanderploeg

ix. 190302 – Letter of Appointment to Trustee: Henk Visscher

10. Question period was not used.

11. Christian Censure: an opportunity was given but not used

12. The next Council meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2019

13. Short Report was read and approved

14. We sang Psalm 72, verse 1, and Br. Garrett Dam closed in prayer.

to be followed by fellowship with refreshments. VanderHeide Publishing will have a book table at both events, where (aspiring) office bearers can stock up on Reformed resources.

Geneva Society Lecture

"Gardening in Babylon: Work, Calling, & Reimagining the Mundane"

a free public lecture sponsored by
The Geneva Society for Reformational
Worldview Studies
GenevaSociety.org | facebook.com/Geneva
Society

Speaker: Jim Mullins, Redemption
Church, Phoenix

Date & Time: Thursday, March 21
7:30-9:00pm

Location: Northwest Auditorium,
Trinity Western University

The speaker argues that in addition to a theology of work and vocation, we need a theological imagination that helps us reframe all of life in light of the Biblical Story. This talk will be especially valuable for students from grades 11 through university, as well as anyone of any age interested in learning how their future or present work (paid or not) fits into the Kingdom of God.

Voice of the Church

I am but a weak human. What is my purpose? Why do I matter?

Voice of the Church is pleased to present a meditation prepared by Rev. James Zekveld. The meditation this week is titled "What is our Purpose?". It will play on your local radio

station this week at its regular time. You can find the podcast version on our website home page: <http://voiceofthechurch.org> or by scanning the following QR code:



Share this Podcast with your brothers and sisters or even your neighbours. We do have one real purpose!

If you have any questions, comments, or have inquires about how to listen to this, please contact us via our website page under the "contact" tab.

Short Report of the Council Meeting March 4, 2019

1. The Chairman, Br. Henry Voorhorst, opened the meeting with the reading of Revelation 7 and prayer
2. Attendance: Br. Aren VanDyke was absent with notice
3. The minutes of the Council meeting on Feb. 4, 2019 were adopted as presented. The minutes of the Council meeting with the congregation on Mar. 1, 2019 were amended and then adopted
 - A. A few matters from the Mar. 1, 2019 meeting were discussed
 - B. Gifts will be bought and presented at the potluck dinner
4. The deacons gave a positive report on their financial position. Some matters of mutual concern were discussed. An update and a positive review of the ward lunches was given.
5. Federation Matters
 - A. The reports from the Committee for Bible Translations, the Committee for Church Unity; the Canadian Reformed Theological Seminary, and the Standing

economy as well as the 'Niek and Jennifer Uwland' savings account! Niek: Best wishes to you for a long and successful working career here in Canada.

When it comes to illnesses, we should note that our young br. Jacob Bredenhof, the great-grandson of sisters Jo Ostermeier and Sylvia Bredenhof, has just gone through another difficult round of chemotherapy. He still has a few more rounds to go. Each round of chemo is very hard on the liver and could potentially cause long term damage to Jacob's body. We continue to pray for this young brother, recognizing not only that his life in is God's hands, but also that the Lord can provide healing, recovery and restoration even through the most difficult and seemingly insurmountable trials. Serious medical health concerns are also affecting Shaun Raap's parents: Shaun's father will soon be going in for a heart operation, while his mother has recently been declared to be legally blind. We encourage you all to pray for Shaun's family; for wisdom for the doctors, and for successful treatments. Our Lord Jesus Christ has conquered death itself, and we know that he helps us in every circumstance of life.

We should note also that we passed a very significant milestone this week, on March 7, to be exact. It was on March 7, 1954 that the consistory of Cloverdale Canadian Reformed Church met for the very first time. So, for that reason, we are celebrating the 65th anniversary of the founding of our church with a Pot Luck dinner on Sunday night. Of course, you are all invited! And, it is our prayer that this event will remind us that Christ gathers, defends and preserves his church. Let's give thanks and rejoice he still does that for his church here in Cloverdale.

We welcome Rev. Jack Visscher, the

Emeritus Pastor of the Langley Canadian Reformed Church, to lead us in worship this morning as well celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. And, we welcome Rev. Gary Zekveld, Pastor of the New Westminster United Reformed Church, to lead our worship this afternoon. May we all be unified and strengthened as a body of believers by the sacrament and by the preaching of the word!

Home Visitation Theme

"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful."

Hebrews 10:23

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. Let us know about joys and sorrows, challenges and milestones you would like us to remember in public prayer. Send prayer requests to prayer@cloverdalecanrc.org

Catechism Classes

Senior Class:

"By Grace Alone" Workbook

Finish the Questions for
Chapter 22

Intermediate Class:

Memory Work: Lord's Day 23 (61)
Galatians 2:16

Junior Class:

Memory Work: Lord's Day 22 (57)
Luke 23:43
Lord's Day 23 (59, 60)
Ephesians 2:8

Bible Studies

Semiahmoo Community Bible Study

Join us in the study of the Bible and learn with us as we travel through the mysteries of the gospel. No experience is required, only a curiosity about what the Bible tells us and how it should affect all of us.

If you do not have a Bible, we can supply you with one at no cost to you. In our discussion we encourage questions and other opinions and deal with each one respectfully.

We meet in the meeting room of the Semiahmoo Library on 152 Street and 18th Avenue every Wednesday evening from 7:30 to 8:30pm.

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study

We hope to meet on Tuesday, March 12th at Mrs. Bysterveld's. We will continue with our study of Luke, chapter 10, question 5. Coffee will be on at 10:00. Hope to see you there!

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study

WMBS will meet this week DV, Mar 13. Monica in Story Hour, Rita to babysit.

We plan to next meet April 10. Hope to see many of you then!

Message Board

Anniversary Potluck Dinner

Everyone in the congregation is invited to a Potluck Dinner **tonight** to celebrate the 65th anniversary of our church. Doors will open at 5:00pm and dinner will start at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

If your last name begins with **A** through **R**, please bring along a salad to share.

If your last name begins with **S** through **W**, please bring an entree to share.

Ladies Aid will provide drinks and dessert.

Come and enjoy a time of food, fellowship, and celebration! Questions? Talk to Christine, Hilary, Cathy, Belinda or Amy.

From the Deacons

Ward lunches

Encouraged by the positive feedback we received from the last round of ward lunches, we would like to invite you for a time of fellowship, coffee, and lunch. We will be in contact to arrange soup, buns and fixings. Bring board or card games for sharing!

Schedule:

Wards 3 & 4 (elders Kuik, Raap; deacons Dam, Schoen): **March 31, 2019**
The Deacons

GEMS

GEMS will meet this Wednesday DV, Mar 13 at 6:30-8:00. Melody to bring snack. Hope to see many of you then! We plan to meet next on April 10.

Your leaders

Refugee Aid Committee

Just a quick reminder, as we reach the end of our year of support with Joe, we are in need of raising approximately \$1000 more dollars. Please consider supporting the Refugee Aid Committee as well as Joe.

Save the Date! Evangelism Event

Sunday evening, March 17: the EC plans to screen a speech from Rev. Winston Bosch on the topic of "Developing a Lifestyle of Evangelism," followed by some time for discussion and fellowship. More details to come!

From the Evangelism Committee

Tactics #4

On February 25, we met again to learn the "suicide" tactic. This involved spotting self-refuting statements made by others, statements that commit "suicide"! The tactic then involves asking a follow-up question to point out the suicide. A simple example is the statement: "there is no truth." The suicide in the statement is that the statement cannot itself then be true. So, a follow-up question could be "Is that true?" That question allows us then to lead nicely into a conversation about the fact that there is of course Truth, and to discuss that Truth! Mr. Koukl then led us through a number of examples of suicidal statements, and Mr. D gave us a chance to practice the skill. This seems like quite a simple exercise, and is probably one that we engage in more than we think, if we engage critically with others. However, it was good to have it explicitly pointed out to us, and learn how to better use the skill to engage in evangelism. Tomorrow night, we look forward to learning the "Taking the roof off" tactic!

FVYPL

Ring Kring will be held on Sunday, March 17 at 7:30 at the Aldergrove Canadian Reformed Church. Our speaker will be Rev. D. deBoer, hope to see you all there!

2019 Women's League Day

Mark your calendars!

League day this year is Friday, April 12.

Diana Kobes will speak on the topic of Christian Mentorship.

Cloverdale duties: Discussion leaders. Please consider if this is something you would be able to do.

Langley – hosting

Willoughby/Maranatha -Morning Baking

Lynden - Afternoon Baking

Yarrow - Entertainment

Aldergrove and Chilliwack - No duties

Reformed Bible College: Leadership Conferences 2019

The Reformed Bible College (RBC) has been busy making arrangements for Leadership Conferences this year. These conferences are the continuation of what was previously known as the Office-bearers' Conference, run by the Yarrow CanRC. For this year we have planned two conferences, one on a Thursday evening in early April, the other on a Friday evening in early May.

On **Thursday evening, April 11**, Rev. G. Nederveen of Burlington, ON, will speak on the topic of General Synod. His speech will be followed by an opportunity for q&a and discussion with a panel of four brothers.

On **Friday evening, May 3**, Br. John Siebenga of Houston, BC will speak on a topic related to the practical side of being an office bearer. His speech will be followed by an opportunity for q&a and discussion with the speaker.

The venue for both events is the **Abbotsford Canadian Reformed Church**. Doors will be open by 7:30pm, the formal part of the evening will run from 8:00 to 9:30-ish and is