



18 March 2012

Welcome *A warm welcome to all who join us today in giving worship and praise to our great God and Saviour. May this be a time of growing in grace and strengthening our relationship with the Lord and with each other. Please join us for a cuppa after the service. If you are visiting today, please sign our visitor's Book. We have an information leaflet explaining our church's ministries and activities, feel free to take one or ask for one.*

WORSHIP TODAY

9:30 AM Pastor Jim de Witte
Message: People around the Cross-Disciples
Readings: Matthew 26:47-56; John 18:12-27

6:00 PM Pastor Jim de Witte
Message: "OWBTG- What God did about the Fall"
Readings: Genesis 3; Romans 8:18-25

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Pastor Jim de Witte
6:00 PM Pastor Laurens Nel (Langwarrin)

OFFERINGS

THIS WEEK
1 – Local Church
2 – URY

NEXT WEEK
1 – Local Church
2 – Lord's Supper - Diaconate

LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges	\$2,038.10
Music Ministry	\$415.55
Jubilate Choir Donation	\$500.00



ROSTERS

COFFEE SERVING :

Today: F & A. Berman, C. Berman,
J & W. Joseph, Kimmer / Wang

Next Week: T & R. Raatjes, P & J. Bruinewoud

1 April A & O. Pleiter, Y. Pleiter, D. Cameron,
D. van Neutegem
DI.

8th April W. Tiley, A. Coe, C. Daniels,
G. de Groot

PA & VIDEO :

Today: Kevin & Glenn de Jong

Next Week: David & Phillip Ellings

GREETERS

Today: George & Leny Zomerdyk

Next week: Peter & Atie Bruinewoud

From the Pastor's Desk

Lord's Supper

Next Sunday we plan to celebrate the Lord's Supper in both services. God's Word calls us to examine ourselves before we eat of the bread and drink of the cup (1 Corinthians 11:28). In the light of that we are called to ask ourselves these questions:

- Do I believe that my sins are forgiven only because my Lord sacrificed himself for me on the cross?

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

- Is it my sincere desire to love God and my neighbour, and to serve them according to God’s Word?

You could pray: “Almighty God, we pray for Your grace that in the coming days we might rightly examine ourselves. Comfort us as repentant sinners and give us assurance that we may look forward to a blessed celebration. And if any of us are not right with You, give us grace and mercy, Lord, that in repentance we may change our way of life, and join this coming Sunday in the celebration of tis most glorious feast. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.”

Thank you

A heartfelt thank you for your support, cards & prayers, at the sudden loss of our dear brother John van Triet.

We feel very comforted by your care.

Bep, Ann, Margaret and family.

From Casey CRC

Correction

Ulbe Siegersma's phone number should read: 9701 1371.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

John Nicholson	March 19
Janny Stekelenburg	March 19
Derek Cameron	March 21
Belinda van Neutegem	March 22

ON YOUR BIRTHDAY It’s time to celebrate... ..the day God blessed the world with you!

THE GRACE GROW GROUP (Triple G)
Meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 2.00-3.30 pm. Leader is John Nicholson. Everyone is welcome. Contact on 97956252

OASIS GROWTH GROUP:

The **Oasis Growth Group** invites new members to attend. We meet the first and third Tuesday of each month but not during holidays. (if you are dropping off kids at URY and want to join us we conclude at 9 – 9.30) At the Burggraaf’s, 17 Edgewood Road, Dandenong – Tel 9791 2601 Mob 0408 120 159

COFFEE BREAK LADIES BIBLE STUDY,
Meets each Tuesday 10am, at the church, during the school terms.

Helen van Garderen.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT/ SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY:

For more information please call Mark Meenks on 0411953821.

Op Shop

Our Church Op Shop opens on Thursdays from 11.30am –4.30pm and Fridays from 10am-4.30pm. We raise money for various local mission projects. Donations can only be dropped off during opening times. Volunteers may contact Anneke Laverman (97005686)

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<p>Newsletter compiled by Adrian de Vos. Email newsletter@dcrc.org.au Phone 9547 6878 News items dead line is 5 PM Wednesday.</p>		

Pastoral and Prayer Points

- **Congratulations to Janny Stekelenburg** who, as our eldest member, will turn 99 on Monday! We wish you God's grace and His blessing of peace as you celebrate another year with your family.
- **Viola Hodder** has been able to move from Kingston to Noble Manor (Ph:9558 4611) Aged Care Facility, 33 Frank St. Noble Park on Thursday. A personal phone is not available yet. With God's enabling, we trust she will soon settle into her new surroundings.
- **Katy de Jong** has made a move within the hostel and is now in room 57.
- There are many who are dealing with changes in their lives, due to health issues or losses. May God sustain you as you transition into new phases.
- Continue to hold **Anita and Jim and the de Witte family** in prayer as they deal with the calls from Redlands and Tecoma. May God guide them in their considerations and decision making.
- Pray for our **coming Synod**, at Blacktown, **and its moderamen** :(Chair: John Westendorp, vice chair: John de Jong, Minute secretary: Ian de Graaf: and correspondence secretary: John Bylsma.) and also for all the delegates. Pray for wisdom, a clear vision of God's kingdom values, and our place as churches in a changing society, especially in the discussion of overtures and the issues that will be raised.
- Pray for our young adults, who are enjoying a weekend retreat in Lysterfield. We pray that God would grow them in fellowship and in love and grace.

Synod 2012

Synod is now only a few months away and the papers of the Synod are now being released. These reports will need to be discussed and prayed through by Church Council and Classis in the time ahead. For those who are interested in reading the reports and overtures – please visit the following website.

Overtures for the upcoming Synod were emailed out this week, and can now be downloaded from the denominational website. A direct link is:

<http://www.crca.org.au/Synod/2012/Downloads>

If you have problems with accessing these reports through the website but you are interested in what is happening then see Pastor Jim for more information. Currently we have 13 Overtures before Synod. A number of them deal with the same issue of Tony Campolo under the guise of denominational unity. There are also questions being asked about Ministerial Stipend, Bible Translations and clarification of previous rulings. Reports submitted to date include a number of structuring proposal coming out of the Ministry Formation Workgroup. All these Reports and Overtures will be discussed at special Church Council and Classis meetings.

BILD course

Pauline Epistles Strategies for Establishing Churches

BILD stands for Biblical Institute of Leadership Development. They are the recognised training organisation that our denomination is using to promote Church-Based Theological Training.

Last year we ran 'Acts: Keys to the establishment and expansion of the first Century Church' which was a blessing to those involved and really challenged us to think about what the church is all about.

This course follows on from that but also is a standalone unit, ie you don't have to have done the Acts course before doing this one.

This is a great way to deepen your Biblical and theological thinking. It will give us a great amount of time to look at the church the Bible shows us in the first century and wrestle with what we are as the church today – Do they look anything like each other? Should they? Are the priorities of the church today the same as when Paul set up churches? How do we set up new churches?

The way the course works is:

- There are set readings each week – Bible and a theological reader (2 hrs)
- We then all meet to discuss the readings (2 hrs)
- A summary assignment is then submitted. (1-2pgs – 1 hr)

It may sound like a lot of work – but it is a great

way to learn and wrestle with what it means to be the church based on a good Biblical foundation, and there is some flexibility in how you do this. Even if you are not sure feel free to join for the first few weeks and make a judgment call from there if you want to continue.

Note: These units are also recognised by the denomination for those considering entering the ministry in years to come.

When: Thursday April 19th For approx 15 weeks.
Location: TBC (*Probably in either Wantirna or Dandenong*)
Cost: Approx \$90 – covers course material.

Please Speak to Glenn or Jim if you would like to discuss this more....

Glenn Dekker 0421 703 393 or Jim de Witte 0409 206 954



Geelong Christian Reformed Church would like to invite you to join us at the first State Youth Conference. The theme for the day is 'Fear' and we will be running different electives and talks on this theme. The electives that will be run are Mission, Depression and Perseverance. We are also delighted to announce that we will have the pleasure of hearing Clinton Berends, Prof. Henk Dewaard and Mrs Mavis Thompson speak.

Where: Reformed Theological College (125 Pigdons Rd, Waurin Ponds, Victoria)

When: 10 am- 4pm 31st of March 2012 (Dinner and Bonfire provided after 4pm)

Ages: Year 7 – 25 years old

Cost: \$15 (\$20 if you register late)

Lunch and snacks will be provided for the day and if you want to hang around after 4pm we will be having a BBQ and a Bonfire at no extra cost. Registration forms are available from Pastor Jim. Please send them back with your details by the 20th of March if any later there will be an extra \$5 cost. Numbers are limited so please send your registration forms in as soon as possible.

You can send them to the Youth Conference PO box 7320, Geelong West 3218 or email us at v.youth.conference@gmail.com and if you want any information you can always email or call Charis on 0402427205.

We pray that this would be an exciting time of praising and worshipping God.

Yalata 2012

Ever wanted to join a team on a Mission trip? From Friday April 6 - 15 Wantirna CCC is sending a team to Yalata S.A. for ministry and outreach, mostly to the children of the Yalata aboriginal community.

Its a jam-packed exciting opportunity to be part of an enthusiastic team reaching out for Christ in an indigenous community.

If you are over 16 and interested in being a part of this team ring Ray Rus on 0407915553. Or email rus@crca.org.au or find me on [facebook!](#)

News from the Churches

The Rev. Brian Vaatstra of the Kingston Reformed Church, Tasmania has been called by Blacktown Christian Reformed Church to be its Pastor. He has accepted that call. His installation service is to be held, DV, on Sunday 15th April, commencing at 2pm.