



25 November 2012

THE CHURCH UNDER THE CROSS

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 Rev Harry Berends
Message: The Prayer of Zechariah
Reading: Luke 1:5-25.

6:00 PM Rev Crosbie de Krestler
Message: Learning Life's Lessons
Reading: Exodus 15:22-27

Pakenham Community Church Plant (PC3)

10.30 am today
Pakenham Living Learning Centre
6B Henry Street Pakenham.

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Michael de Krestler
6:00 PM Sri Lankan Service

OFFERINGS

THIS WEEK

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

NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church
2 – Church Planting Taskgroup

LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges	\$2307.00
RTC	\$488.25



ROSTERS

COFFEE SERVING :

Today: T & R. Raatjes, P & A. Bruinewoud
J. Bruinewoud

Next Week: A & O. Pleiter, Y. Pleiter,
Cameron Family, D. van Neutegem

9th Dec W. Tiley, A. Coe, C. Daniels,
G. de Groot

16th Dec K & J. de Jong, D & P. Ellings,
B. Elfring, H. Elfring.

PA & VIDEO :

Today: Matthew Noorbergen, Ian Meenks

Next Week: David Cameron, Glenn de Jong

GREETERS

Today: Corry Blik

Next week: Rita Piening

Our worship today

Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper in both morning and evening services. Thank you to **Rev. Harry Berends** from Wonga Park, as he leads us in this celebration and in proclaiming God's Word, while at 6.00pm **Rev. Crosbie de Kretser** we will lead us in worship and in celebrating the Lord's Supper.

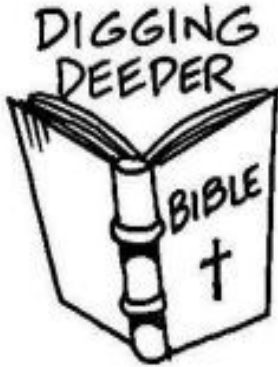
May God's Word comfort and inspire us, as we seek to live for God in the week ahead.

Op Shop

Our Church Op Shop opens on Thursdays from 11:00am – 4:30pm and Fridays from 9:30am – 4:30pm. We raise money for various local mission projects. Donations can be dropped off on those days only.

Why don't you drop in sometime.

The Committee



CAN YOU assist we need assistance in the office on a Thursday for around one hour to prepare folders for use on Sunday for members who have difficulty seeing the projector screen at the front of the Church during the service.

If you are willing to take on this job please speak to Julie after Church or call her on Thursday on 9795 0576 and see what is involved.

PLEASE HELP

We are urgently seeking support from Young Or Not so Young on a regular/rostered basis during the Sunday morning worship service for people to use the computer/data projector.

Only basic computer skills are required and full instructions and training are supplied for everyone to use. Speak to Colin Pretorius for further information about Data Projector training.

Please Note:

Retiring offering for COM homes.

There will be a retiring offering for the COM homes today. We are encouraged to prayerfully consider our giving to this wonderful cause.

Elder nominations.

The terms of two elders come to an end in a few months. Combined with the uncertainty as to when Harry Burggraaf will be able to return to his duties, the church council is seeking nominations for at least 2 elders to allow us to continue our work effectively. The congregation is encouraged to put forward nominations in writing to an elder or to council.

The 'Jubilate Choir'
Will participate in the joint church service
of the Christian Reformed Churches
of Dandenong, Casey and Langwarrin

**Sunday Evening Service
&
Present a beautiful Cantata
"Emmanual"**

at the
Dandenong Christian Reformed Church
9th December, 2012 at 6 pm



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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>		

JTeam Christmas Break up

We will be having our final night for JTeam on the 28th November and we would like to give the children a small bag of lollies to take home.

Preferably no chocolates

If you can donate any they would be gratefully received by no later than next Sunday the 18th November.

Please hand them to Julie, Jeanette, Amy, Kristy, Lorna, Tom or Jess so that they can be bagged.

Come, support and enjoy the final JTeam night for 2012. The play starts at 5.10pm and finishes after light refreshments are being served for the children and their families.



FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

THE GRACE GROW GROUP (Triple G)

Meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 2.00-3.30 pm. Leader is John Nicholson. This week we meet at Regina's Unit 53 Outlook Gardens. 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 IN THE WORD SMALL GROUP

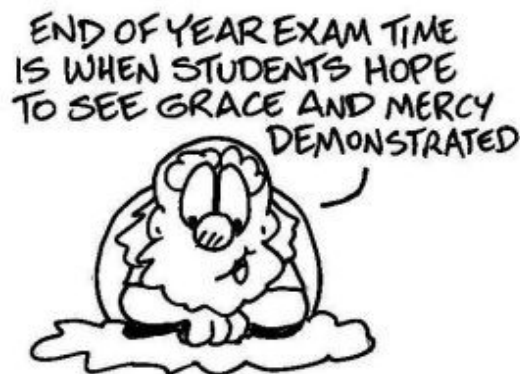
Anyone who is not currently in a group is welcome to come along and join or just check us out.

We have started to study Galatians. All welcome.

Any questions can be directed to Harry and Jannette Vanderjagt on 9703 1613 or 0438 872000.

VENTURE BIBLE STUDY

(Young Adults) is on a Monday on a fortnightly basis starting at 7:30 and meeting in the resource room at church. If you want to be part of this group let David Barrot know on 0401 073 954, it would be great to see you there."



Pastoral and Prayer Points

- November is **exam time** for VCE and Uni students – pray for our young folk (and the not so young) as they complete work requirements and sit their final exams.
- **Tini Schram** had an arthroscopic procedure done this week. Pray for the healing she needs.
- Hold **Atie and Peter Bruinewoud** in prayer, as no further treatment is available for Peter's lung cancer. Pray that God will maintain his present level of health.
- **Give thanks** that as a church we have had our new Youth Worker, **Jesse Schram** coming to both URY and J team programs this week and entering into this with gusto.
- **Give thanks** for the wonderful work that **Kevin and Machi Rietveld** have been able to complete in the Solomon Islands over 14 years. Pray that they will be able to settle back into life in Australia continuing to use their God-given gifts.

- **Harry Burggraaf** continues in Monash in ICU. A family meeting on Thursday with the surgeon and ICU specialist was very encouraging in spite of some of the concerns about his heart and intestines that had been raised in the past week.

They are saying that Harry is still on a very, very slow track to recovery even though there have been hiccups.

He has not come out of the induced coma easily, due to the kidneys not functioning well at this stage, so

medications are not being excreted as expected. There are some concerns neurologically but they do not expect these to have a lasting impact.

So, we keep hoping and praying for the healing Harry needs, especially as he becomes aware of the losses in his body as he is more conscious.

- Pray for **Rev. Laven Shunmugam** as he considers the call that we have extended to him to come and minister among us, and that he will know God's guidance for him and his family and also for the present congregation he serves, that it may be clear to him, how to respond.
- There is still opportunity to write to Laven and Priya to indicate how much we would like them to come to Dandenong and our need for their ministry amongst us. You can email them: laven.ls@bigpond.com or write to their postal address: Rev Laven and Priya Shunmugam, 30 Tollhouse Way, Windsor. NSW 2756

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Mimi Lacroix	November 26
Marcell Marjee	November 29
Marco Otto	November 29

To feel joy deeply, to live love daily,
to forever know God's presence in your life...
these are our wishes for you.



Perhaps we have not counted
All our blessings, one by one;
Perhaps we have not bothered
To remember whence they come;
And maybe we have taken
Just for granted all these things
That the good Lord has created
And the gifts that nature brings.

The autumn hills in gloop robed,
A golden field of grain,
A sunset's dazzling splendour
Or the Milky(way's great plain,
The starry sky's sublimity
The ocean's mighty power,
The wonder of creation
In the petal of a flower.

And so if we have failed to show
By word or act or deed
That we are thankful unto Him
Who fills our daily need,
May this day show we're grateful
When we add up all the sum
Of the blessings we remember
As we count them one by one.

A compromise is a deal in
which two people get what
neither of them wanted.

Young men think old men
fools, and old men know
young men to be so.

Modesty is an investment from
which others usually pluck the
dividends.

The greater a person's
knowledge, the milder the
judgement.

A friend to everybody is a
friend to nobody.

We never know the worth of
water till the well is dry.

The 2012 Compassionate Catalogue will be available on Sunday 2 Dec.

GIVE A GIFT IN JESUS NAME.

The 2012 "Compassionate Catalogue" has lots of options to give something towards Deed and Word ministries in developing countries. You can give any amount to any of the 17 suggestions.

When you give, you can know that these gifts will support the cause of Christ's Kingdom. Supporting these ministries is one way to express your gratitude for the gift of salvation you have received.

Bert Kuipers

please select one or more
gifts from CRCA's and RCNZ's

compassionate catalogue 2012

"be rich in good deeds,
be generous,
be willing to share."
1 Tim 6:18



17 suggestions for
individuals, families
and groups

DUTCH CHRISTMAS NEDERLANDS KERSTFEEST



You are invited to come and celebrate Christmas
in the Dutch language on

**Saturday 8th December
6.00 pm**



at

at the Dandenong Christian Reformed Church, located at
Corner of Outlook Drive & Gladstone Road Dandenong North

The program will include community singing, a choir, solo items and a
Christmas message.

A collection will be taken for the work of Palliative Care.



Supper will be served at the conclusion.

We trust that this evening will be a great God honouring event as it
has been in the past.

Jubilate Choir