



28 April 2013

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 John de Hoog
Message: The last word: Hallelujah
Reading: Psalm 150

6:00 PM Br Glenn Dekker
Message: Jesus - whose Son?
Readings: Luke 2:41-52 & Luke 3:21-23

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Br Martin Williams
6:00 PM Rev Harry Berends

OFFERINGS

THIS WEEK

1 – Local Church
2 – Leadership Training Prof. Development

NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church
2 – RTC

LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges \$1,744.35
Reformed Church Youth Committee \$400.00



ROSTERS

COFFEE SERVING :

Today: W. Tiley, A. Coe, C. Daniels,
G. de Groot

Next Week: L. Dixon, V. Steendam,
M & C. van Rossen

May 12 P & J. de Jong, T & J. Cram,
I. Meenks

May 19 The Cameron Family,
D & B. van Neutegem

PA & VIDEO :

Today: David & Phillip Ellings

Next Week: Evert & Marnice Marjee

GREETERS

Today: George & Leny Zomerdyk

Next week: Peter & Atie Bruinewoud

Our Worship Today

This morning we welcome **Rev Dr John de Hoog** who will lead us in worship and bring us God's word. This evening we have **Br Glenn Dekker** May God's Word comfort and inspire us, as we seek to live for God in the week ahead.

Pastoral and Prayer Points

Over the past 3 months we have journeyed together through the book of Psalms. Today we fittingly

conclude that series with a sermon by **John de Hoog** on Psalm 150. We thank our loving Father for providing preachers willing to lead us on this journey. We also praise Him for the messages which we have heard and pray that those messages will continue to impact in our lives.

We continue to uphold in prayer **those who are dealing with changes and loss** in their lives. We pray especially for those who are dealing with issues relating to work and those who are struggling with uncertainty as to what the future holds for them on the work-front. We pray for God's guidance in their lives, that they will gain clarity and above all be comforted and sustained by God's comfort.

Jos Berends is due to be admitted to hospital this coming Wednesday for lung-surgery. While Jos has gone through a number of operations over the past weeks, she has found strength, peace and comfort in the Lord. We pray for God's strength for her to cope with this and for healing as she submits to this surgery.

We pray for God's comfort and enabling strength for **Thea Bonga**, who was again admitted to hospital this week. We also uphold the medical staff in prayer as they determine the best course of action to resolve the issues which Thea faces.

We praise God for the progress **Jannette van der Jagt** has made and for the successful medical intervention. We also pray for continued healing and for the restoration she needs.

Peter Vandenberg will be in respite care in Dutch Care in Kilsyth for the next three weeks. We pray for a period of rest and recovery for Peter.

This coming Saturday (27th April) the **Advance Together** conference will be held here in Dandenong. We pray that this event will be blessed, that the Holy Spirit will work in those present and will equip them to Pray also for God's guidance for the **church council and leadership** of the congregation in this continuing time of vacancy. Pray for wisdom and for a clear vision of the task of our church in this broken world.

In two weeks' time **Garry and Elizabeth de Vries** will

be visiting our congregation, to meet with church council, to preach and to get to know our congregation a bit better. Pray that this will be a blessed time both for them and for us as a congregation.

We are still seeking volunteers

to operate the data projector during the morning and evening worship services. Please come and see the person on today and find out just how easy it is to operate.

CAN YOU HELP WITH BILLETING?

The Moody Men's Collegiate Choir, from Chicago, USA, will visit Melbourne and join us for our Jubilate Choir concert on May, 2013. They will arrive on Thursday 30th May and leave again on Saturday 1st June. This means we require **"host homes"** for these students, aged between 19 and 24, for a couple of days and nights. Could you please consider opening your home and host one or two of these young men. If you can please contact Harold or Janneke Dykstra (Ph: 9700-2378).

Youth service

The next state youth service is going to be on at the Christian Reformed Church of Casey at 6pm on Sunday, 28 April. Pastor Michael will be bringing the Word to us and we're looking forward to unpacking the theme of the service – Choices, Choices, Choices

We're looking forward to worshipping together at Casey and please don't rush off afterward as there will be a chance to share food together and hopefully catch up with other youth from our

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Churches. If you have any queries, please contact Sean de Kretser on 0438 017 913 or youthworker@caseycrc.com.au

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Colin Pretorius	April 28
Kevin De Jong	April 28
Ulbe Siegersma	May 1
Jeanette Noorbergen	May 5
Ruth Harris	May 4
Rapti Salvaratnam	May 4

A special birthday prayer for you — That God's eternal love will fill your heart and day with joy. And blessings from above.

COMBINED ASCENSION DAY SERVICE

There will be a combined Ascension Day service at the Christian Reformed Church of Casey on Thursday the 9th of May at 7.30PM.

The Church Council would love to share the following abridged letter from a church visitor with you .

"We were made to feel incredibly welcome - from the moment we entered the church, during the service as well as after the service. You were an absolute blessing to us, showed a genuine interest in us and had a huge impact on us. Thank you for the way you live out your mandate in making strangers feel welcome."

It is not only wonderful to receive this type of feedback, but a great encouragement to continue providing others with a loving and inclusive welcome.



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. . Everyone is welcome. Contact on 97956252

OASIS GROWTH GROUP

The Oasis Growth Group will meet on the first and third Tuesday of the month, at the Burggraaf's from 7.30- 9.30 pm. Check with John and Sue Van Garderen - Ph: 8376 6556, if there are any changes. Next meeting May 7th.

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."

AFRIKAANS BIBLE STUDY

We meet every second Tuesday evening at the home of the Pretorius family. We have recently completed studies on Timothy and on the books of Samuel. If you'd like to be part of this group please see Colin or Maggie Pretorius.

APRIL IS LEPROSY MONTH
Can everyone with a Leprosy savings box
please hand them to me ASAP

Thank you Corry Blik

SOLOMON ISLANDS SEWING PROJECT

In June, I hope to visit the Solomon Islands for two weeks. (4th-18th June)

Speaking with Simon and Ana, recently, Loretta would like Anita and I, to go to several outer Islands with local staff, for some meetings/ workshops with the women there (Solomon Islands has a high incidence of violence against women and the churches are seeking to empower women with income- producing work in their own villages, to sustain them).

As I go, I want to take money to buy hand/feet - operated sewing machines, (available in Honiara for the equivalent of \$100 Aus.) fabrics, scissors, threads etc. Most villages do not have electricity so electric machines are of no value in these villages.

I am hoping that there may be others in our congregation who would like to contribute, either towards a sewing machine, some fabric, needles, threads, suitable patterns, scissors etc. which I can take as a diaconal gift from the Dandenong congregation.

Your support and encouragement for this work will be greatly valued.

Please place your gifts in an envelope clearly marked : SOLOMON ISLANDS SEWING PROJECT, and then hand to one of our deacons or to myself directly, or place in the blue bag at offering time.

A sincere thanks for your involvement - HENNI

Thought for the week

“The first step in the acquisition of wisdom is silence, the second listening, the third memory, the fourth practice, the fifth teaching others.”

Solomon Ibn Gabriol

CRCA Prayer Calendar 1 April - 19 May 2013

For Week of 29 April

29 Gosnells, WA

Pray for Gosnells as they spread the Good News of Christ to children in Russian camps and Indian communities through the WA Russia and India

Mission Teams.

30 Mansfield, QLD

Pray for blessing on Mansfield's transitioning program through evening outreach services and teaching seminars. May the lost be found, and the found disciplined.

1 Wamberal, NSW

Pray that the seed of the Gospel sown in young hearts and minds through involvement in Scripture teaching at the Wamberal Public School will yield a rich harvest.

2 Geelong, VIC

Pray for South Barwon they may diligently seek to connect with and serve their community, especially the many international students who live in close proximity

3 RTC, Geelong, VIC

Pray for the students at the RTC, asking that God would shape them in Christ and enable them to develop the knowledge, character, and skills necessary for effective and fruitful ministry.

4 Cockburn Central, WA

Pray for a renewed connection with Gateway's local community, that they will share God's love, and find openings for the Gospel.

5 Your Church

Pray that your church would not become weary in sharing the gospel but know that their witness will result in the salvation of many. (Gal 6:9)

Smile:

If you don't pay your exorcist you can get repossessed.

With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.

Show me a piano falling down a mineshaft and I'll show you A-flat miner.

You are stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.

Local Area Network in Australia: The LAN down under.

A boiled egg is hard to beat.

When you've seen one shopping center you've seen a mall.

If you take a laptop computer for a run you could jog your memory.