



4 August 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 Br Phillip Sheepers
Message: "Hope for the Weary"
Reading: Matthew 11: 25 - 30

6:00 PM Rev Crosbie de Krester
Message: "Knowing the Heart of God"
Reading: Exodus 3: 1 - 15

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Rev Harry Berends
6:00 PM Rev Harry Berends

OFFERINGS

THIS WEEK

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

NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church
2 – Middle East Reformed Fellowship

LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges	\$1337.30
Cornerstone Collection	\$459-90
Donation from Church Hire	\$1250-00

ROSTERS

COFFEE SERVING :

Today: S & G. Zaphiris,
J & D. van den Bosch,
M & S. Kimmer / Wang

Next Week: J & A. van Breen, C. Yong,
G & L. Zomerdyk

August 18 T & R. Ratjes, M & T. Eleveld
J. Bruinewoud

August 25 D & P. Ellings, B. Elfring, H. Elfring

PA & VIDEO :

Today: David Cameron, Glenn de Jong

Next Week: David & Phillip Ellings

GREETERS

Today: Peter & Atie Bruinewoud

Next week: Martin & Coby van Rossen

Our Worship Today

Today we welcome **Br Phillip Sheepers** who will lead us in worship this morning and **Rev Crosbie de Krester** for the evening service May God's Word comfort and inspire us, as we seek to live for God in the week ahead.

Pastoral and Prayer Points

- God hears and answers prayers! We rejoice with Corry and John Blik for a positive report from



the oncologist. The scan shows that the lung cancer has shrunk, meaning that the treatment is working. It also showed that bone has started to grow back in the areas affected by bone cancer, so the treatment is also working there. We praise God for his care and provision for Corry's health during this time of treatment. However, she will need to have a further round of the same chemo (another 9 weeks) followed by another scan. Let us continue to pray for Corry and John – in thanksgiving and in petition. John puts it simply, "We know God is in control."

- For a while now, Janny Cowdrey has been coming to worship with us. We warmly welcome you Janny, as you make this your church community. (Janny's mum Thea Bonga was a resident at O/G hostel)
- While it is exciting to hear that Colin and Maggie Pretorius have finally been allocated a place for Colin's vicariate year, it comes with a sense of loss - as they relocate to Inala church, Qld. Colin and Maggie have shared their gifts among us, over their years here, and we will miss them greatly, and also for their work both in our church community and at Outlook Gardens.
- Ulbe Siegersma completes his time in respite at the O/G aged care facility, this week. It is good to see our senior members being able to access this care within the familiarity of their own community environment.
- Continue to hold Peter Bruinewoud and Atie in prayer for daily grace and strength.
- Pray for our J Team and URY leaders Both programs have started again. J Team with 26 community children. There is quite a buzz as we continue to support local families with this after-school program. This term Jesse Schram has asked Ryan and Lachlan (two young guys from URY) to help us with the children. They themselves have gone through the J team program and are proving a real help. (Perhaps we are now reaping what we have sown?) Pray for these two young boys

as Jesse mentors them in taking up junior leadership.

- A visit to Rosewood Downs Primary school this week to meet with the assistant Principal, has resulted in another child for our Kid's Hope program. Two previous children have left the area to attend other schools. She is actively looking at further children who can benefit from being mentored. This week Jesse Schram will be attending 2 days of training at World Vision to be able to participate in Kids Hope as well.
- Thankfulness for the safe arrival last Wednesday for Matthew and Bec Smit - a son -Layton, a great grandson for Henk van der Kruk.

Wanted

Due to the unfortunate retirement of our current Church Council secretary at the end of June, Church Council are keen to hear from any Church members who would be willing to fill this important role. Ideally the willing applicant would need basic computer skills for recording and producing minutes etc. Access to a computer or laptop is desirable for sending and receiving documents. Church Council meets every month on a Thursday evening.

If you feel you could use your gifts in this role please contact a Church Council member for details. This will save us having to approach you!

Volunteer Bible Readers,

We are looking at increasing our list of volunteers to participate on a regular roster of reading the scriptures during either service held on a Sunday. We are desperately needing more readers for the

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evening services as it's left to just a FEW very dedicated readers to read each Sunday evening. Please consider and speak to Julie about becoming a regular reader.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Lachlan Plas	August 8
Jo De Vries	August 10

In the beginning, God added something new to creation each day. Then He stood back and said, “this is good...really good.” Same thing happened the day He created you.

G.O.S.P.E.L. – matters for prayer.

These points have been raised by our directors in India – to urge us to join these brothers and sisters in prayer. They concern some of the individual evangelists in the team. These points are a great reminder that Satan continues his relentless campaign against God’s Kingdom. Thank God that Jesus has already won the victory. Please do pray for the young churches. (for GOSPEL – Bert Kuipers.)

1. Jamsingh has a worship group at Negdiya in North Gujarat border. People from that village constantly try to stop the preaching of Gospel and worship services.
2. Rajesh also serves in North Gujarat. He does ministry in Digelpur village, where the village chief hinders the preaching of the Gospel in Digelpur village.
3. Javansingh does ministry in Survakoyeda village in Rajasthan. A militant Hindu group has seeks to stop having worship service at that village. They are doing that by threatening his non-Christian grandfather who also wants him to stop.
4. Bisan does ministry in Pipari village in Madhya Pradesh. His father recently expelled Bisan from the family home because he conducts worship there. Bisan has now moved to the home of his parents in law.
5. There are three Christian families in Atsambha village in Madhya Pradesh field. The non-Christian villagers are not allowing them to draw water from the well. This places a great pressure on these families.

6. Ashok is a new convert in South Gujarat. He along with wife and children has accepted Jesus as his Lord and personal Saviour; but because of that decision he will not get any part of the harvest or share in the inheritance. They have been expelled from the family. Now, they are struggling to get their daily food.

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.

COFFEE BREAK LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Meets each Tuesday 10am, at the church, during the school terms.

Helen van Garderen.

FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

We meet every second Friday. Next meeting at the home of Nel Steunenbergh on Friday the 9th August at 8pm. Please contact 97031613 for details.

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.”

60th Anniversary Greetings

Would love to come with Jenny, but we are currently in Europe and wont be back till July 30th! Please pass on our greetings to everyone, and may God continue to use Dandenong CRC to bring people to faith, build them into strong disciples and send them out

into Kingdom service. **Peter and Jenny Abetz**

And there is More:

"Dear brothers and sisters in Christ at Dandenong CRC.

We join you all in giving thanks and praise to our awesome God and Saviour for His faithfulness to you all, over the 60 years of being a "Church Under the Cross" in the Dandenong region.

May the Lord continue to bless your gospel witness in Word and deed throughout the community. You are a shining light for Jesus and we have always loved the vision of reaching the school community through J-Team, URY and Kid's Hope along with mercy ministries, pastoral ministry and strong biblical teaching of the glorious gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. It was a great privilege to serve the Lord among you in those 6 precious years from 2001-2007.

We thank the Lord for His provision of your new pastor, Garry de Vries and pray that he and Elizabeth will settle in quickly and be a great blessing to you. Through all of life's experiences we learn that God is gracious, good, great and glorious. Praise God that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever (Hebrews 13:8) so that we can witness the changeless gospel to a changing society.

May the Lord of peace Himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with you all (2 Thessalonians 3:16).

With our love in Christ,

Bill & Ineke Bosker

Please Note:

Copies of the **RTC monthly newsletter** are available from the foyer area.

News from the Churches

Afrikaans Service

There will be an Afrikaans language service next Sunday, August 11th, in the Langwarrin Christian Reformed Church, 10 Warrandyte Road Langwarrin starting at **6.00 p.m.** and Pastor Lourens Nel will officiate.

Everyone is heartily invited and refreshments will be served afterwards.

Narre Warren Baptist Church.

We're having a drama production "The Gift" at our next Family Service, which will be on the 18th of August. The Gift is a story about life, love and sacrifice inspired by actual events and is presented by the Creative Arts team of the Narre Warren Baptist Church.

One couple
One special baby
One agonising decision
Your special invitation to this drama
A GIFT TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE
Sunday 18th August, 6pm
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Christian Reformed Church of Casey
350-352 Pound Road 8790 5288
Narre Warren South www.caseycrc.org.au Scan for preview
Free light dinner provided from 5.15 pm

SPECIAL EVENT!!!
6pm ~ Sunday 18 Aug
Mt Evelyn Christian Reformed Church
45-47 Birmingham Rd, Mt Evelyn

We celebrate with *Family Voice Australia* in their 40th year of Family Voice ministry as they present a national tour by international Bible teacher ~ Vishal Mangalwadi

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Vishal Mangalwadi knows the difference the Bible can bring to everyday life – blessing the lives of individuals and communities, even nations. Vishal grew up in India, surrounded by Hindu, Buddhist and Islamic cultures. But in his teens he became a Christian, attracted to the life and teachings of Jesus. After studying philosophy at university, and spending time living in a Hindu ashram, he began to recognise the enormous benefits that God's Word has given to Western nations.

We are honored to have Vishal as a guest on Sunday evening 18 August, at Mt Evelyn Christian Reformed Church and invite you, your friends & family to come along – all welcome!