

**TAKE UP THE SHIELD OF FAITH, WITH WHICH YOU CAN  
EXTINGUISH ALL THE FLAMING ARROWS OF THE EVIL ONE.  
EPHESIANS 6: 16**



**Welcome:** May the Lord bless us as we worship and fellowship together. If you are visiting, we extend a special welcome and please join us downstairs for coffee and a time of fellowship after the morning worship service.

## **WORSHIP SERVICE ~ 10:00 AM**

### **GATHERING TO WORSHIP**

- Prelude
- Welcome and Announcements
- \* #297(GPH) *O Come, My Soul*
- \* Call to Worship
- \* God's Greeting
- \* Song: *Your Grace Is Enough*

### **EXPERIENCING GOD'S GRACE**

- Celebration of Communion
- The Need for God's Grace
- God's Grace Expressed  
in Jesus Christ
- God's Grace Visualized in Communion
- Prayer
- Song: *The Creed*
- Invitation
- Prayer of Consecration
- Celebration of Communion
- Prayer of Thanksgiving
- Song: *The Power of Your Love*

### **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

- Children's Time
- Congregation: The Lord be with you.
- Children: And also with you.
- Prayer for Illumination
- Scripture Reading: Ephesians 6:1-16;  
Isaiah 44:1-23
- Message: Shield of Faith
- Prayer of Application
- \* Song of Response: *By Faith*

### **RESPONDING WITH THANKGIVING**

- Prayer for God's People and World
- Offertory Prayer
- Offering: (1) Church  
(2) Resonate Global Missions
- \* Song: *How Great Thou Art*

### **GOING WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

- \* Benediction
- \* Doxology: *We Receive Your Blessing*

The 3yr olds – gr 1 age children will be leaving after the children's message for Sunday School. (exit at the FRONT of the sanctuary)

**Visitors: please go with your children so teachers can get information about your child.**

Parents/guardians please pick up your children after the service.

The rest of the Sunday School children and teachers will leave during the parting hymn.

## **SERVICE SCHEDULE**

**Today:** Pastor Gary Van Leeuwen will be leading us in both services.  
We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper in the am service.

**Next Sunday:** Pastor Rick DeGraaf will be leading us in both services. Pastor Rick is a Commissioned Pastor and installed at Maranatha Cambridge as the Pastor of Congregational Life.

# EVENING WORSHIP 7:30 P.M.

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Welcome

- \* Call to Worship
- \* God's Greeting
- \* #492(LUYH) *Come,  
Thou Almighty King*

Prayer

#538(LUYH) *Holy, Holy, Holy,  
Lord God Almighty*

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Revelation 13

Message: *A Horrible Parody*

Prayer of Application

- \* ##674(LUYH) *As Moses Raised  
the Serpent Up*



## RESPONDING WITH THANKSGIVING

Prayer Requests and Prayer

Offering: Resonate Global Missions

- \* #608(LUYH) *Salvation Belongs to  
Our God*

## GOING WITH GOD'S BLESSING

- \* Benediction

- \* Doxology #489(LUYH) *By the Sea  
of Crystal*



## OFFERING SCHEDULE

**Today:** (1) Church (2) Resonate Global Missions. Resonate (previously known as two separate entities; Christian Reformed World Missions and Christian Reformed Home Missions) works to spread the gospel both locally and internationally abroad. They participate in initiatives such as Campus Ministry, Cohort of Missioners, Educational Care, Impact Clubs, Salaam (helping churches connect with Muslim neighbours), training of church leaders, and more. This offering will go to the local and home missions part of Resonate.



**Next Week:** (1) Church (2) Calvin Theological Seminary

Upcoming Offerings:

June 10 – Habitat for Humanity Huron County

June 17 – Aboriginal Ministries Canada



	<b>TODAY MAY 27 LORD'S SUPPER</b>	<b>NEXT WEEK JUNE 3</b>	<b>TWO WEEKS JUNE 10 GRADUATION &amp; INSTALLATION</b>
<b>Greeters North</b>			
<b>Greeters South</b>			
<b>Greeters Back</b>			
<b>Ushers</b>			
<b>Scripture Reading</b>			
<b>Music- am Offertory Pm</b>			
<b>PA Projector Camera</b>			
<b>Nursery AM</b>			
<b>PM</b>			
<b>3/4 yr old</b>			
<b>JK - gr 1</b>			
<b>Cross Carriers</b>			
<b>Coffee Servers</b>			

**KEEP IN PRAYER**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Selection of Office Bearers:**

The congregation will be asked for endorsement of these names this morning- May 27th, with the drawing of lots next week June 3<sup>rd</sup> in the AM service. There are three positions for elder and one position for deacon required.

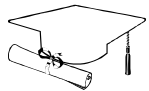
If any member of the congregation has concerns with any of the candidates as office bearers at any point during this process, please talk to your elder or Pastor Gary. Thank you to those people willing to serve and please continue to pray for God's will during the process.

**Understanding the Text:** Pastor Gary would like you to join him and a few others to spend time working on the theme and goal of various texts of Scripture. We will be meeting on Friday evenings about once a month. The expectation is that each participant will work on the assigned text to discover the theme of that text and then be prepared to discuss in the group setting. This is a good habit to have for when we read Scripture and the method also will be of great help in preparing devotions or leading a Bible Study. Please talk to Pastor Gary (or, better, email or text him) if you are interested.



**A Way Forward for the Blyth CRC:** Following the Community Opportunity Scan report a few years ago, the "A Way Forward" report last summer, the formation of two teams: the Outreach Team, and the Community Relations Team, and the allocation of \$10,000 of the 2018 church budget to cover costs related to neighborhood engagement, Church Council has decided to organize a special planning/conversation session to help us identify our next steps. This session will be held on Saturday morning, June 9th, starting with breakfast at 7:30, and concluding around noon. We have extended an invitation to Tammy Heidbuurt to lead this session. Tammy is employed by Diaconal Ministries Canada and serves as Regional Ministry Developer/Operation Manna Coach and is very familiar with helping churches explore their role within their contexts, following a Community Opportunity Scan. Everyone is welcome to attend. The members of Church Council and the two newly formed teams are especially encouraged to participate in this important conversation.

**Sunday School Graduation:** will be on Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup> followed by a potluck picnic at the Blyth Lions Park. Everyone is asked to bring enough for their family plus 2, plates, silverware and lawnchairs. Coffee and juice will be served at the park. All are welcome!



**Monthly Food Drive:** Next Sunday morning the deacons will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Salvation Army Wingham. Please place your food donations in and around the Food Box at the back of the sanctuary. Thank you for your support. The deacons

**Bridal shower** The "report" is in! We'll be "checking for attendance" at a school themed bridal shower to celebrate Alanna upcoming wedding. Get your glasses on and your pencils sharpened as we get together to celebrate an evening of fun, games, and refreshments on Monday, June 11th at 7:30 p.m. A money box and card will be placed under the church mailboxes if you would like to participate in a group gift. Come dressed in your best "scholarly" look and join us for an A+ time together.



"Don't be too cool for school!"

**Hello all as you all know VBS is quickly approaching and we are looking for some volunteers!!!** We are in need of someone to lead the Bible station,



games, kidvid stations also those to lead the children from group to group!

It will be a fun filled week watching the children learn about how Jesus rescues us when we are lonely, worried, struggling or when we do wrong things! Lots of singing, dancing, games, crafts and adventures!



Please think and pray about helping us out and let us know as soon as possible if you are willing.

Also if you have anyone who would like to attend VBS you can register them at [tinyurl.com/blythvbs2018](http://tinyurl.com/blythvbs2018)

Thanks Christina and Barb

## YOUNG PEOPLE/ADULT'S NEWS

### **Young Adults Group**

If you are between the age of about 18 and 30, please prayerfully consider coming out to Bible Study, usually held at the home of Luke Siertsema or another young adult. The group meets every Thursday night, alternating between Bible Study and casual get togethers. It is a great way to meet new friends and see old ones, and learn and discuss more about the Bible and other topics. If you have any questions at all, please contact Luke Siertsema at 519-955-5579. We also have a facebook page!

## OTHER NEWS

**Prayer Time:** all welcome to come. Meet in the photocopy room 9:25-9:45 a.m. Sunday mornings. Praying for the upcoming worship time and concerns/needs/joys/direction of the congregation and the community. Prayer concerns/joys can be submitted to council.

**A VERY GOOD DAY** - Grandpa and Liz follow treasure hunt clues left behind by a childhood friend of Grandpa. What's the next clue? What's the treasure hidden somewhere in Terrene? Subscribe for free at [getkidscorner.com](http://getkidscorner.com). Free Giveaway: Get the KC sketchbook at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net).

**FAMILY FIRE** - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at [familyfire.com](http://familyfire.com). Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

**THE FRUIT OF PATIENCE** - How can we cultivate the spiritual gift of patience in a society that prefers immediate gratification? Join Groundwork in studying Romans 2:1-4 and Colossians 3:1-13 as we seek to understand and cultivate the fruit of patience in our own lives. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**Children's Ministry Curriculum Reviews** - Children's Ministry Leaders: If you're choosing a new children's ministry curriculum this year, the CRC's Faith Formation Ministries has just provided a new set of reviews to help you! Check out the pros and cons of curricula like Dwell, Orange, D6, Deep Blue, and more. You'll find the reviews in the "Choosing Curriculum" section of our new Children's Ministry Toolkit ([crcna.org/FaithFormation/toolkits](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation/toolkits)). Got other children's ministry challenges? Contact Mimi Larson, our Children's Ministry Catalyzer ([childrensministry@crcna.org](mailto:childrensministry@crcna.org)). She'd love to help!

**WESTERN UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MINISTRY REUNION** - Today is the last day to register! If you were a part of the CRC campus ministry at Western University from 2001 to the present, you are invited to a reunion BBQ and bonfire on Saturday, June 9 from 4-9 pm in Talbotville, ON. Reconnect with former students, share stories about life after Western, mingle with current campus ministry students, and hear exciting stories of what God is doing through this ministry at Western. Questions, further details, or RSVP? Email Dr. Mike Wagenman at [mwagenman@uwo.ca](mailto:mwagenman@uwo.ca) or call/text (519) 851-5845.

**CAMP SHALOM SUMMER STAFF** - Are you still looking for a summer job? Camp Shalom is hiring summer staff. If you love Jesus and like working with kids or individuals with special needs, then this might be for you. Work outdoors, with great people, while making a meaningful impact on campers' lives. All positions are paid and you must be 17 before Dec. 31, 2018. Positions include counselors, maintenance, kitchen, and lifeguards. Visit [www.countrysidecamp.com](http://www.countrysidecamp.com) to apply.

**Come As You Are: An Evening of Praise.** Come and enjoy an evening of praise and fellowship on Sunday May 27 @ 7pm at Vanastra Community CRC. Soul Purpose will be leading an evening of worship focusing on what we believe through song & scripture. Free will offerings taken.

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**Bulletin Announcements:** call Anita or e-mail [info@blythcrc.ca](mailto:info@blythcrc.ca)  
before noon on Thursday.

**Upcoming Sundays and events:**

Services are led by Pastor Gary VanLeeuwen 10:00 am and 7:30pm unless otherwise noted.

Sunday, May 27 – congregational endorsement of elders and deacons

Sunday, June 3 – am and pm – Pastor Rick DeGraaf

- Casting of lots

Sunday, June 10 – Installation of new council members .

- Sunday School Graduation and picnic.

Monday , June 11 – full council meeting (new and retiring council members)

Sunday, June 17 – Father's Day

Sunday, June 24 -

*Evening services in the summer will be video services*

Sunday, July 1 – Canada Day

Sunday, July 8 – Community Outdoor Service

**Mon, July 9- Thurs, July 12 VBS**

Sunday, July 15 -

Sunday, July 22 -

Sunday, July 29 -

Sunday, Aug 5 – am – Pastor Rob Datema

- pm – video

Sunday Aug 12 -

Sunday, Aug 19 – am – Pastor Rick DeGraaf

-pm – video

Sunday, Aug 26- am – Mr Steve Vogel

pm – Video

**CHURCH PICNIC: WELCOME TO ALL !**

Potluck Picnic

Please bring enough food for your family plus 2,  
dishes, silverware & lawnchairs.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 10TH** after  
the morning worship service  
at the Blyth Lion's Park.



Coffee and juice will be served at the park.