



HAGERSVILLE COMMUNITY  
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

*God is building through our church a community of people that shares  
the good news of life in Jesus Christ,  
worships God with adoration, praise, confession and prayer, accepts and  
encourages one another,  
and nurtures all to a relationship with Jesus Christ.*

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**A WARM WELCOME** to all this morning. Today we welcome Pastor Pastor John Veenstra who will be leading us in our worship service. **GUESTS AMONG US** are invited to sign the Guest Book, located on the Welcome Center.

**CHILDREN AGED 0-3** are welcome in our Nursery and Age 3-5 for Sunday School following the Children's Message.

Prelude & Gathering Song: *Hosanna, Praise is Rising*"

Welcome & Announcements

Response: *Our God is an Awesome God*"

\*God's Greeting

\*We Greet one another

\*Song of Adoration and Praise: *For the Music of Creation*" SNC #37

Call to Confession

Song of Assurance: *There is a Balm in Gilead*' PH #494

Guide to the New Life: Ps. H. 1013, responsively

Song of Illumination and Guidance: *Speak O Lord*

Children's Message

Prayer of Blessing

\*Scripture Reading: *Luke 5:17-26*, (p.)

Message: Forgiveness, the Essence of all healing..."

\*Song of Response: *Ps. H. 475 Praise My Soul the King of Heaven.*

Prayers of God's People

Offerings: Budget & Parkview Meadows

Offertory Prayer

Profession of Faith: the Nicene Creed

Benediction

\*Closing Song: *Soon and Very Soon*

**FOR NEXT SUNDAY**, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, please read Acts 1 through 5 as well as 9:32-43, and focus on the ministry of Peter and John, particularly the healing of the lame man at the temple gate. The revival started by Jesus in Israel, after his resurrection, spreads from Jerusalem through Judea and beyond! We will focus on **Healing in Acts**, and see that it is not the disciples, but Jesus, who is doing the healing. The disciples, in essence, ask for a divine-human partnership: we'll preach – you back us up with action and power! Pastor John Veenstra

**THANKSGIVING DAY:** Pastor Bill Veenstra from Ancaster CRC will lead us in worship

**OFFERINGS THANKSGIVING DAY-CRWRC**

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY** for Helen Torensma, Harold VanderMeer, Trixie Wonder, Dan Strobosser and our missionary Alicia Hamming Navarrete (World Missions Nehemiah Centre, Nicaragua and Mike Fennema & family in Laos

**HCCRC Committees:** The finance committee will be meeting in October to start planning the budget for 2012. We would like to ask that all committees submit their 2012 budgets to a finance committee member by the 1st week of October. Thank you. HCCRC finance

**ACQUIRE THE FIRE** is happening October 21-22 at The Prayer Palace in Toronto and is open to any high school aged youth. For more information or for tickets, talk to Terra Adema or Stan Heeg.

**WHERE DO WE GO WITH THE BELHAR CONFESSION?** Many of you attended the evening of last May's classis meeting in Ancaster where we heard Peter Borgdorff present how the Belhar confession came to be. We promised you an opportunity to further reflect on this document and the three themes of reconciliation, justice and unity. This event will take place **Tues-Oct-25 at Hamilton Immanuel CRC (61 Mohawk Rd W) from 7:00pm – 10:00pm**. Prof Jim Payton from Redeemer University College will refresh us on the history of confessions in the church. Then there will be a debate in which Jim will speak in favour of its adoption as one of our confessions. The opposing view will be articulated by retired Christian Courier editor Bert Witvoet. There will be an opportunity to ask questions from the floor. This is a classis Hamilton sponsored event and **all are invited** to attend and participate.

**All the Elders and some Deacons from HCCRC will be attending this event. Please meet at the church at 6:15 pm to car pool together.**

**JCCS DINNER & AUCTION Saturday, November 12!** Mark your calendars because this is a fun filled evening you won't want to miss! Enjoy a delicious meal served by the Boosters, stock up on your favorite Vanstraten Goodies, grab a bidding card, a couple of hot croquetten, and get ready to bid the night away! Please contact any of the JCCS fundraisers if you are interested in donating to the auction (new items only). We look forward to see you there!

**GRANDFRIENDS DAY:** The staff and students of Jarvis Community Christian School warmly invite you to our annual **Grand Friends' Day** to be held on **Wednesday, October 12, 2011 from 9:30 a.m. - 1:00**

**p.m.** The band is busy practicing its pieces, as is our choir, and the students are busy preparing a wonderful program for you to enjoy. If you have any questions or need more information, please be sure to contact us at school (519-587-4444). Remember that you do not need grandchildren in attendance at J.C.C.S. to join us for this fun morning - you are *most welcome* to attend as a Grand Friend! We hope you'll join us on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October!

**DAY OF ENCOURAGEMENT** – This will be held Oct 15 at HDCH in Hamilton. Worship speaker is Rev Peter Slofstra with 30 workshops to choose from, Register soon to get the workshops you would like to go to. Please contact Henrietta Heeg if you are interested in attending. Check out [www.diaconalministries.com](http://www.diaconalministries.com)

**THE JCCS FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE** is once again selling pre-fried Beef croquettes. They are available in boxes of 100 for \$88.00 or packages of 10 for \$10.00. These will be available for pick up at the annual dinner and auction on Nov. 12, 2011, or other arrangements can be made. Please give Tim Zandstra a call before Oct. 24 (519) 587-4311, or email to [tkzandstra@gmail.com](mailto:tkzandstra@gmail.com).

**REDEEMER** University College is accepting applications for the position of **Manager of IT Service Development**. Additional details can be found at [www.redeemer.ca/hr](http://www.redeemer.ca/hr) under Employment Opportunities

**New Horizons -- A Day at Redeemer for the Young at Heart.** All are invited to Redeemer University College on October 24 for a day of learning and entertainment. Highlights include a presentation by President Hubert Krygsman entitled "Cross and Minaret: Understanding and Responding to Islam," a delicious lunch and an afternoon of student entertainment. Register on-line at [www.redeemer.ca/newhorizons](http://www.redeemer.ca/newhorizons), or by phone at 905.648.2139 x4246.

**Love to Learn?** Redeemer University College has something of interest for everyone! Some of the programs starting this month include a 4-week series on "Following the Apostles," a 6-week series addressing the conflicts between faith and science, and an examination of the congregational life cycle. For more information on these and other opportunities visit [www.redeemer.ca/clear](http://www.redeemer.ca/clear) or call 905.648.2139 x 4224

There will be a **Poetry Reading** featuring Lorna Crozier (Sponsored by the Canada Council for the Arts) on Thursday, October 20, at 4:30 pm in Room 211 at Redeemer University College. All are welcome to attend this free event.

**NEW SPORTS COMPLEX** Everyone is invited to celebrate the opening of Redeemer University College's new Sports Complex, including its signature piece, the inflatable soccer dome, on Saturday, October 22. There is an Open House from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm that day, and the Official Opening is at 11:00 am.

**THE CARPENTEROS** and Friends wish to thank you all for making our recent "Building Hope for Honduras" Dinner and Auction such a marvelous success. Thanks to God's goodness and your generosity, we raised more than \$80,000 for micro credit unions, the Education Fund and other needs in Honduras, including four new wells for clean drinking water in several remote villages. Claudio Salinas and Ana Joya presented a touching picture of how these wonderful gifts are improving the life of their people, and are going home with renewed spirits and much joy and fond memories in their hearts. And from the bottom of our hearts "Muchias gracias y Dios los bendigas (Thank you and God bless you)".

**WORLD MISSIONS** - Happy Thanksgiving, eh! Canadian missionaries are remembering and celebrating with you God's goodness this holiday. Send them a note of encouragement as they celebrate another holiday away from loved ones 'back home.' Thank you for your prayers for strong relationships and fruitful ministry on behalf of your missionaries.

**GROUNDWORK** - When God Seems to have Deserted You: You stand in the pews clapping hands, singing lively worship songs—but in your heart you're sad or angry because of the news you got last night. How do we pray or worship when emotions on the outside don't match our emotions on the inside? Join the October 16th Groundwork conversation based on Psalm 22. Find a local radio station or listen online at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com).

**KIDS CORNER** - Lake Moss Monster:Liz is fishing for the truth about a monster in the lake. See what you can catch with Liz on this week's Kids Corner. Write to Kids Corner at P.O. Box 5070, Burlington ON L7R 3Y8 for your very own Bible study. Check out Kids Corner at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net).

**INTERNATIONAL NEEDS** - Save the date: International Needs Canada is hosting Kim Phuc at Redeemer College on April 21, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. Her name may not ring a bell, but no one can forget the haunting Pulitzer Prize winning picture; the one that plastered the world with guilt and shame. Come and hear her story of incredible strength when she

speaks about forgiveness and helping children. For more information contact: [info@internationalneeds.ca](mailto:info@internationalneeds.ca) or 905-637-9411.

**GLOBAL MISSIONS WEBINAR** - Oct. 19 at 12:00 p.m. ET: The Belhar Confession. Join in to hear about practical applications of the Belhar's lessons, and discuss the Belhar's potential to transform the lives of those who study its teachings. Presenter: Kris Van Engen, Congregational Justice Coordinator (US) For information and registration go to [www.crcna.org/MissionWebinars](http://www.crcna.org/MissionWebinars)

**URGENT REQUEST FOR MEDIA VOLUNTEERS IN AFRICA - CRWRC, CRWM**, the Office of Social Justice and the CRCNA are collaborating together on a 5 week Media "We Have Faith - Youth Caravan" which will be travelling through 5 African countries beginning November 2nd. They are looking for 3 young adults to take on the roles of Video Communicator, Photographer and Writer, for the purpose of creating awareness and understanding of the group's purpose for this trek. For further information about this program and how to apply see [www.crcna.org/servicelink](http://www.crcna.org/servicelink) or email us at [volunteer@crcna.org](mailto:volunteer@crcna.org)

**PARENTING CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES** - The fall issue of *Breaking Barriers, Disability Concerns'* quarterly resource with stories and information for inclusion of people with disabilities in churches and ministries, is now available online at [www.crcna.org/disability](http://www.crcna.org/disability). This issue features stories about parenting a child with a disability.

**CRWRC Requests Your Feedback** - As you may have heard, CRWRC is exploring the possibility of changing its name and we want to hear from you. Beginning October 13, you'll find a short survey at [www.crwrc.org/name](http://www.crwrc.org/name) where you can provide input. The survey closes on October 17 so be sure to visit [www.crwrc.org/name](http://www.crwrc.org/name) by then and let your voice be heard!

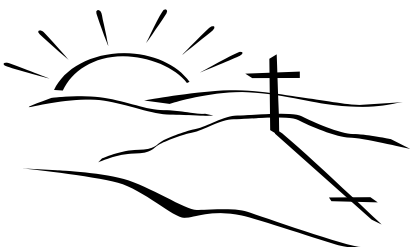
**NEW FROM FAITH ALIVE** - In the new book "150: Finding Your Story in the Psalms," CRC pastor Kevin Adams explores the psalms through the human experiences of joy, anger, pain, fear, and love, telling the stories of real people crying out to God. Read a sample at [FaithAliveResources.org/150](http://FaithAliveResources.org/150) or call 800-333-8300 to order. Visit [psalmstory.com](http://psalmstory.com) to explore the intersection of faith, prayer, and the psalms and tell your own stories.

**MCMASTER AND MOHAWK CRC CAMPUS MINISTRIES** are pleased to announce that our "Abraham Kuyper: Loving Every Square Inch"

Speaker for 2011-2012 is Dr. Albert Wolters. We are planning two public events on October 20th. The first will be a luncheon for local pastors and others in church ministry. The luncheon address will be: "Studying Zechariah and Hearing it: Reflections after 20 years." For the evening "Abraham Kuyper" address, Dr. Wolters title is: "Zechariah the Prophet: What can we learn from the History of Interpretation?" This will be a free public address and will take place in Council Chambers, Gilmour Hall, McMaster University, 7:30-9:00pm, October 20th 2011. Reservations and a small charge are required for the luncheon. To make res. and for more information on the public lecture please contact Dr. Michael D. Fallon [fallonm@mcmaster.ca](mailto:fallonm@mcmaster.ca)

**HUSBANDS AND WIVES:** Remember these words? "I promise to be true to you in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health. I will love you and honor you all the days of my life." A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend shows a way to live those vows the way we hope and dreamed we would. For more information or to register for the upcoming weekend **November 4-6, 2011** at the beautiful **Otonabee Inn, Peterborough** contact registration couple David and Danielle Stell at 905-985-8305 - [ontario\\_registration@reformedme.org](mailto:ontario_registration@reformedme.org) or register online @ [www.reformedme.org](http://www.reformedme.org). Register before October 21 to be assured a spot. There is no group sharing on the weekend.

**BACK TO GOD MINISTRIES:** Today our colleague and friend Bob Heerspink passed away after struggling for three months with pancreatic cancer. Bob served as the director of Back to God Ministries International and also served three congregations since his ordination to the ministry of the Word in 1979. He is survived by his wife Edie and children, Eric & Katie, Joel, and Amy Heerspink. Memorial service details are pending and will be posted on CRC News as soon as they are known. Bob will be sorely missed by his family, by all who knew him, by the staff at Back to God Ministries International and his many colleagues and friends. Please remember the family in your prayers.



**October 9 2011**

MOM – Katie Kraay

**NURSERY** Katie Kraay, Catherine Baird, Shayla Hogeveen  
**GREETERS** George & Betty Eggink  
**AUDIO** Andrew Heeg  
**VISUAL** Henny Arends  
**USHERS** Ron Douwes, Ryan Miedema  
**LIBRARY** Tracy Adema, Sharon Hogeveen  
**OFFERINGS** 1. HCCRC Budget  
2. Parkview Meadows

**October 10, 2011 – Thanksgiving Day**

**NURSERY** Betty Eggink, Amanda Salverda, James Bill  
**GREETERS** Martin & Tracy Adema  
**AUDIO** Trevor Hogeveen  
**VISUAL** Janice Miles  
**USHERS** Nick & Hilary Vanderheide  
**OFFERINGS** CRWRC-Free a Family or offering of your choice

**October 16, 2011**

**NURSERY** Eric Vangronegen, Nancy Kraay, Sue Hogeveen  
**GREETERS** George & Gep Elzinga  
**AUDIO** Bill Heeg  
**VISUAL** Chris Bill  
**USHERS** Jason Healy, Dan Strobosser  
**LIBRARY** Ditta Rauwerda & Trish Bouwman  
**OFFERINGS** 1. HCCRC Budget  
2. Disability Concerns

**October 23, 2011**

**NURSERY** Darren Kraay, Julie Paterson, Lixi Douwes  
**GREETERS** Jan & Meta Griffioen  
**AUDIO** Andrew Heeg  
**VISUAL** Henny Arends  
**USHERS** Chris Bill, Regan Bill  
**LIBRARY** Trudy Miedema, Grace Strobosser  
**OFFERINGS** 1. HCCRC Budget  
2. CRWRC-Mike Fennema

**THIS WEEK**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b> If you want to walk on water
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:45 pm</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b> at Julie's home

**GREETERS:** Please turn the percolator on 20 minutes before the service to avoid any noise from the percolator interrupting the service - Thanks!

**NURSERY:** If you are unable to be in the nursery when you are scheduled, it is your responsibility to find a replacement to take your spot - It is

important for the children as well as the other volunteers that there are enough caregivers in the Nursery on Sunday mornings.