



Weekly Newsletter of the Christian Reformed Church of Perth Inc.

Welcome

A warm welcome to all who have come to the services today, and a special welcome to visitors. May the Lord bless each of us as we worship together, that His Name may be glorified and that we are encouraged and strengthened in faith. A crèche is available at the back of the building for those who wish to use it for children aged 0-4 years of age. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the service.

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Worship Services in Perth

9:30 a.m. Pastor Reinier Noppers
 Acts 1:1-8, Acts 13:1-3
 "Set Apart"

5:30 p.m. Pastor Reinier Noppers
 Genesis 3:1-13, Matthew 4:1-11, 1 John 2:28-3:10
 James 1:13-15
 "Who Is To Blame?"

Meditation

As God's church we ought to be constantly asking ourselves: why are we here? What are we doing in the name of Jesus? How do we best serve Him? To what extent are we preparing ourselves to be fully effective in His name? A church that cannot answer these questions is floundering; it cannot even meet its own needs, let alone the needs of others! A church that does not know why it is here, where it came from, or where it is going, has no hope of having a positive impact in the lives of people around us who really don't know where they came from, why they are here, or where they are going!

The church at Antioch as described in Acts 13:1-3 was by this time a well-established church. They were solid and stable: sound in doctrine and teaching; well based in the truths of the gospel to be able to teach them to others. It was a church where everyone was welcome: black and white, Jew and Gentile, slave and free, rich and poor; so when this church went out to the Gentiles, and said: everyone is welcomed by Jesus – when they declared: the gospel is for all; they could point to their own church and say: see it really is true!

It was a church where elders, leaders, and congregation worked together as one in the kingdom of God! It was a worshipping, praying church – a strong reminder that all power in ministry comes from God, that all spiritual life is His gift, and as soon as we try to do anything in our own strength we fight a losing battle! And it was a church open to and eager to obey the leading of God: who instructed them to set apart Barnabas and Saul. Yes, these two men were instrumental in building up the church in Antioch through teaching and preaching; godly and gifted men whom by all intents and purposes were indispensable in the life of the church!

Worship Service Snapshot

A typical service includes a time of singing praise to our God, an opportunity for prayer and a message is given by the Pastor.

There is also a time for us to give financially. If you are not a member or regular attendee of CRC Perth, please don't feel obligated to participate in the offering.

In the morning service, children (4-9 years old) attend church for the first part of the service and leave for Sunday School after a Children's talk.

At the end of the evening service there is a time to ask questions pertaining to faith.

First Offering

For the ministry of the local church

Second Offering

4 Oct Cadets and GEMS (local)
11 Oct Diaconate
18 Oct Solomon Islands Workgroup
25 Oct Christian Wheatbelt Fellowship

Please utilise the church's electronic banking

Banking details:

Commonwealth Bank of Australia
Christian Reformed Church of Perth
BSB: 066 153 #: 1002 5589

Mark as tithe or first offering or the name of the second offering (e.g: Candidacy Committee)

Yet God called them to set them apart for the work He had called them to do – and they obeyed, without question. How much of the above would describe us?

~RN

Pastoral

Everyone is welcome to join us this morning in coffee fellowship and a shared lunch after the service, including anyone who may be visiting with us. Do stay and enjoy some time together over good food! Please continue to pray for one another, especially our elderly members and those affected by colds and flus: let me say from personal experience that the cold doing the rounds is a nasty one ☺.

The door offering for Rose House in Finland taken last Sunday raised a total of \$721.00. We will hold another door offering today to support the special appeal from World Transform called "Feed a Family" as we seek to help alleviate the effects of heavy monsoon rains and cyclones that have destroyed much of the harvest in Myanmar. Please give generously to this appeal.

As noted previously, Isaak Nieuwkerk has requested to profess his faith, which will now be held in the morning service of November 1st, due to a youth event in Australind the week prior. Lord's Supper will also be delayed by a week and will be held on Sunday 25th October in the morning service. Next Sunday is our regular Classis preaching swap and I will be leading services in Gateway and Gosnells; and the following Sunday I will be in Seoul, Korea, attending the ICRC Regional Conference for our churches.

~RN

Session Report

Session met at the church this past Tuesday evening, with pastor Reinier leading us in a short devotion on 1 Timothy 3. This passage teaches about the qualifications for elders and deacons and it was good to be reminded of them as we considered the nominations for office bearers later in the meeting. Pastoral matters were first to be considered, with the membership transfer of Nel Schneider to Gosnells CRC being finalised. We pray that Nel will truly feel at home amongst the congregation at Gosnells.

It was also with sadness that session accepted the resignation of Evert and Rebekah Grul and family, as they no longer can agree with our reformed teachings. We do continue to pray for them that they remain strong in faith in Jesus Christ alone, and continue to welcome them if they worship with us.

The recent Sports-Fest was attended by many of our young people and it was reported to be a real blessing for them. A few housekeeping matters were dealt with and the meeting was closed around 9:30 p.m.

Birthdays this week

5-Oct	Melody Oostryck
5-Oct	Annette Ossevoort
5-Oct	James Alberts

The CRCA Youth Convention: 4-9 Jan 2016



Why do we as Christians live the way we do? Why are we different? WHY?

Registrations for The CRCA National Youth Convention 2016 are now open online.

To register, head to crcayouthconvention.com.au

Philippines Mission Trip High Tea fundraiser

Please join us for High Tea on Saturday 17 October 2015, 2-5pm at 196 Bodeman Road, Wandi. Cost is \$30 each (8-10 ladies per table). We would encourage you to invite friends and family to make up tables of between 8-10 persons. Please wear something floral.

All money raised will go towards Joslin, Jasmine and Bethany's Philippines School Mission Trip in November 2015.

RSVP by 10 October 2015 – Cathryn 0424 902 430 or Tasma 0448 097 861. Book early to avoid disappointment

Nominations for Elders and

Deacon: Session places before the congregation the following nominations to serve as office bearers in this congregation: for elder, br Sam Assaad, and for deacon, br Paul van der Kooij. If there are no lawful objections, voting will take place after the morning service on Sunday 18 October 2015. Please see a session member if you require an absentee voting slip.

Announcements

Ladies Fellowship meets D.V. Wednesday 7 October 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at the church. Topic: Light Shining into Darkness from Revelations 6, Lesson 7. All ladies welcome.

Senior Men of Our Churches will meet again DV on Tuesday 13 October 2015. We will have a joint meeting with the Senior Men of the Westminster Presbyterian Church Bullcreek **at their church**, 32 Bullcreek Drive Bullcreek (Cnr Fyfe St) at 9.30 am.

Our guest speaker will be Neville Muir from Deaf Ministries International. Please note that because of the availability of the guest speaker, our meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of the month. Also note change of venue and slightly earlier starting time. All very welcome.

Bibles For the Persecuted

Each year our congregation partners with the Bible League to make a difference in the lives of persecuted Christians, by taking part in the Bibles For the Persecuted 21 day programme. This enables us to provide encouragement and strength to persecuted believers, through the Bibles provided. Your gifts and prayers will really make a difference. This programme will start next week, Sunday 11 October 2015. Each one of us will receive a prayer resource booklet and a Bible shaped money box, which will be in your pigeon holes this week.

From New Zealand:

It is with sadness, yet with great comfort in Christ our Lord, that we inform you that on Thursday, 24 September 2015 our Lord called home to Himself our brother Rev. Carl Andrew Robert Larsen- Emeritus Minister of the Reformed Churches of New Zealand and former Minister of CRC Australia.

Carl had been suffering for several years with cancer that affected his kidneys and recently spread to his liver. We are thankful that, in spite of the multiple symptoms associated with his sickness, he did not suffer much pain. Above all, we are

Part time youth worker

Langwarrin Christian Reformed church has a position opening for a local youth worker.

The position is part time with an outlook of starting on the 1st of Feb 2016. Applications close Fri 30th Oct 2015. Please email applications to pastor@langwarrin.crca.org.au

For further information about the position please log onto our website @ www.lcrc.org.au

Thank You

Thank you to all the ladies who have been busy knitting jumpers, booties, beanies and scarves. Another 182 jumpers have been delivered, taking the total to 3,599.

Jenny Abets is involved in the Samaritan's Purse organization, which among other things prepare shoe boxes filled with gifts for disadvantaged children. She gave me a pattern for a square teddy and asked if some of our knitters might like to make some. I did one bear and it was quick and easy. She would also like beanies for 2-16 year olds. Patterns for bears are at the back of the church.
~Hetty Zoethout

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Forward all material to her by the Thursday prior to the published Sunday date.

grateful for his life, dedicated to the work of the Lord; for the inspiration he has been to all who had the privilege of knowing him and that we can know that he is safely in the arms of the Lord he so loved and faithfully served.

Please remember in prayer Joyce and her daughters Christine, Janice, Vanessa, Susan and Robyn as well as the grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A thanksgiving service was held at the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Bucklands Beach on 30 September 2015.

Reformation Day

Gosnells CRC is hosting a Reformation Day meeting for 31 October 2015, and would like to extend an invitation to attend a combined gathering.

Today, in many churches, there is a focus on experience, on consumerism, on individuality and our Church Council aims to make Reformation Day a time of celebration of God and proclaim our total dependence on Him for our salvation. We ought to observe Reformation Day because our churches also need to remember the work of the Lord throughout the ages. Traditionally, we commemorate the life and work of Martin Luther on Reformation Day. However, on this occasion Rev. Stuart Bonnington of the Scots Presbyterian Church will lead us to the other side of the English Channel by speaking on the topic "John Knox, the most famous Scottish Reformer".

The venue will be at the Christian Reformed Church of Gosnells, 55 Mills Road, Gosnells at 7.30pm. Please do not hesitate to contact Gerard Cozynsen (0402 912 151) for further information.

"FEED a FAMILY"

The World Transform Committee of the CRCA is appealing to all churches to hold a special relief appeal for Myanmar.

Extreme weather conditions - have brought great hardship and starvation to many. Heavy monsoon rains and a cyclone have brought floods, erosion and landslides. The result is that there is no harvest now and there won't be for a long time.

Just \$20 will provide rice for a family of 5 or 6 for a month. Please give at your congregation this Sunday- 4 October 2015. You can also give on line with a Credit Card or by EFT.

Just visit our new website for details: <http://worldtransform.org.au/>
More details for the "Feed a Family" Relief Appeal
<http://worldtransform.org.au/pages/feed-a-family-appeal>
Also, please join the WT Facebook page and like us on FB.
<https://www.facebook.com/WorldTransform>

New SWIM Base Directors

The Church Council of the Redlands Christian Reformed Church is delighted to inform you that Geoff & Jan Hughes will be commissioned as Director for the SWIM base during a worship service planned for Sunday 18 October 2015, starting at 9:00 am. We would be delighted if you or a delegate could attend and celebrate this joyous occasion (if you have that opportunity). During this service, the new SWIM Base Support team will be introduced as well.

Israel & Turkey Tour

Come along with us on a discovery tour of ISRAEL which includes an optional tour to TURKEY where we will visit the 7 churches of Revelation, ANZAC Cove (Gallipoli) and Istanbul.

You will marvel at God's creation of the beautiful country of Israel, the birthplace of King Jesus and your Bible will come alive.

Tour dates are: Israel – August 27 to September 7, 2016.

Turkey – September 7-15

For more information, Itinerary and prices contact

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Furniture 'Garage Sale'

Saturday 10 October 2015 (9am – 1pm)

Manoah is having a furniture 'Garage Sale'

at the front entrance of Manoah; 86 Mills Road, Martin.

All proceeds go to the Hostel

Everything must go!

Come and have a browse! We would love to see you!

On behalf of Willy Louw

Thanks

Alice

What's On This Week

Wednesday	7 October	9:30 a.m.	Bread @ the church
		1:30 p.m.	Ladies Fellowship @ Church

What's Coming Up

Tuesday	13 October	9:30 a.m.	Senior Men of our Churches @ Westminster Presbyterian Church
Sunday	18 October		Voting for Elder and Deacon
Saturday	31 October	7:30 p.m.	Reformation Day meeting @ Gosnells

Worship Ministry

Date	Duty Elder	Greeters	Data	Sound	Musician	Preacher
4 Oct a.m. p.m.	Raymond	Willem & Jacqueline	Paul Nieuwkerk	Paul vdK	Elsa Rachel	R. Noppers
11 Oct a.m. p.m.	Steve	Raymond & Yvonne	Evan	Johan Isaak	Rebecca	T. Van Drimmelen B. Murphy
18 Oct a.m. p.m.	Bardi	Steve & Jannet	Johan Luke	Paul Nieuwkerk	Rachel	R. Noppers
25 Oct a.m. p.m.	Henry	Bardi & Eril	Isaak	Luke	Elsa	R. Noppers G. van Schie

Video: James

Helping Hands **Please arrange your own swap if you are unable to do your duty.**

Date	Coffee Fellowship	Crèche	Sunday School
4 Oct	R&H vdK, Elsa, Bardi	Annette, Rebekah, Klarinda	School holidays
11 Oct	Janong, Ossevoort	Ilezebel, Jordan, Joshua	School holidays
18 Oct	P&Y vdK, Knoetze	Vanessa, Saara, Nelson	Yvonne & Bethia
25 Oct	De Jager, Jill, Janny	Jacqueline, Bethia, Beslin	Mieke & Vanessa