



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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**This coming week**

Please email items to Pastor Reinier while Emma is away. For contact details see above.

Items should be received by Thursday 12:00 noon.

## Worship Services in Perth

**27 March 2016**

AM: R. Noppers

**Reading** Luke 24:1-34 **Text:** Luke 24:32  
**“The Scriptures Opened”**

PM: J. de Jongh

**Reading:** Mark 16:1-8 **Text:** Is 53:10-12

## Meditation

The events of this past week have once again shocked and horrified a watching world. Portrayed before us on our TV screens, through social media and on the internet, another act of hatred and malice unfolded – a wickedness and gross evil perpetrated against peaceful and innocent civilians. The world watches in stunned disbelief, almost beyond reality – yet this is the real world – a world fallen in sin and misery.

The pictures of devastation linger in the mind, the cries of children in the heart – words cannot begin to describe the horror of it all. And the questions continue: how can anyone be so callous as to deliberately murder people in this way? Who would have such a low view of human life or such a high regard for their cause that they would lose no sleep over such an atrocity? Added to this the growing calls for reprisal, the groundswell seeking revenge: an eye for an eye, destruction to meet destruction, more killing to add to the list of horrors.

What sense can we make of all this? Are we here in Australia truly safer, as our Prime Minister would have us believe? Is there any limit to human sinfulness and evil?

In the midst of such catastrophe, as a believing world turns to Easter, we are again reminded that the only answers, the only safety, the only true security is to be found in our God. Through events of greater horror, through an injustice that tops them all – the crucifixion and death of Jesus, the Son of God – God keeps His promises, God provides restoration, and God Himself brings about the greatest peace that can ever be as Romans 5 reminds us :  
 “...since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.”

It is the very depths of our depravity that calls for such a radical solution – so that even as we live in a world defined and set in sin, we know this is not the final end – there is a limit to human

## 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 during the offering.

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

## 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.: Diaconate)

### First Offering

For the ministry of the local church

### Second Offering

**27-March** Easter Sunday  
Cadets & Gems (National)

**3 April** Reformed Theological  
College (RTC)

**10-April** Diaconate

**17-April** Gujarat Outreach Support  
Economic Literacy

sinfulness and evil – the King upon the Cross is the final victor who lives forever; and we live forever in Him. RN

## Pastoral

Pat Pleysier was able to have her cast removed and is able to move about freely again. Paul Nieuwkerk is recovering after back surgery and is also doing well, with very little pain at this stage. The Oostrycks leave for holidays this week and we wish them an enjoyable and refreshing time away. Continue to pray for Joshua de Haan and Bec and Evan as Joshua grows and gains strength. We welcome John de Jongh as he leads us in worship this evening, I will be taking the service in Gosnells.

Pastor Reinier will be away from the 4<sup>th</sup> of April, attending the Recharge Conference of the CRCA, and then on annual leave till June, when he will be attending the OPC General Assembly on behalf of the CRCA as part of his synodical duties. During this time Steve Ossevoort will be the person to contact, or otherwise a member of Session.

Shared Lunch next Sunday after the morning service! Do bring some food to share and stay to enjoy good fellowship.

No Catechism Today! There will be a class after the morning service next Sunday, and then Catechism will take a break until pastor Reinier returns.

There will be no evening service next Sunday as Rehoboth College celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a thanksgiving service at the Kenwick campus, starting at 3:00 p.m.

There will also be NO LINK on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April.

## Other Notes from Session

Session has started studying the book "Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands" as it seeks to be better equipped for pastoral work. Pastoral matters continue to be at the forefront of our agenda and we give thanks to God for all His blessings. The family O'Sullivan has requested their membership be transferred to Wilson, which has been done. We pray God's strength and blessing on them in this move. Noted from Classis that Jayden Swarts has been appointed to the part-time Youth Coordinator position. This position will be overseen by a small committee from Classis, of which Raymond van der Kooij is a member; and will work together with representatives of all the Youth Groups. Saara van der Kooij will represent Perth CRC. Also that a Colloquium Doctum will be held for Jaco Classen at the May meeting, who is currently leading the work in Kalgoorlie.

The Catechism Classes on Sunday mornings seem to be working well; all classes will be taking a break over April/May and part of June. A report from BOM regarding the budget status was received; despite our giving deficit outgoings are well within cash flow for which we are thankful. Appreciation was expressed that Ralph Scholma is willing to help out with music. We are also thankful for the way we have been able to work together with the Korean church.

**Birthdays This Week**

27<sup>th</sup> March Owen Kik  
 31<sup>st</sup> March Levi Hughes  
 1<sup>st</sup> April Cecilia Husselmann  
 2<sup>nd</sup> April Jean-Luc Hughes  
 2<sup>nd</sup> April Raymond van der Kooij

**Ladies Aid RTC**

Thank you to all who participated A Cheque for \$330 has been sent.

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**Manoah Market Day**

SATURDAY APRIL 30<sup>th</sup>

From 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

How can you help ?

- Clean out your cupboards, garage, home of items you no longer need or use. (Books, tools, kitchenware, bedding, ornaments, clothes, furniture, electrical items. Give them a clean and if they are in good saleable condition, drop them off at Manoah House or phone Willy as to an appropriate to deliver them. PLEASE ENSURE ELECTRICAL ITEMS WORK – please dispose of broken items yourself, don't give them to us to throw away.
- Make goods or prepare goods to sell (plants, jams, preserves, pickles, cakes, biscuits, slices, knitted goods, home crafted items)
- Volunteers are still required. Remember your time and goods help care for our elderly who are no longer able to care for themselves.

It is easy to show you care. Phone Willy Louw 9398 1902 for more details or to offer your help or speak to Trudy at Perth CRC

**Announcements**

**REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN COLLEGE  
 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Weekend!**

Many years ago many of our parents/grandparents formed a group to provide Christian Education here in W.A. Now, we are very excited to be celebrating our **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** at Rehoboth Christian College this Year!

Three major events will be taking place over the weekend of **2 - 3 April** and we warmly invite you to celebrate with us.

**2nd April 10.00 - 11.00am -**

Re-Dedication Service at the Wilson Campus;  
 22 Dalton Place, Wilson

**2nd April 1.30 - 5.30pm -**

Concert and Family Fair at the Kenwick Campus - Entry via Brixton St Kenwick

**3rd April 3.00 - 4.00pm -**

Thanksgiving Service also at the Kenwick Campus.

**Australind Senior's Day – Sunday 24th of April**

We plan to hold our Senior's day on Sunday the 24th of April, Lord willing! For those requiring transport, a bus has been organized to leave from the Gosnells Church at 7:15am sharp (cost \$15 per person). Our morning Worship service begins at 9:30am. This will be followed by coffee and then a fellowship lunch provided by us. Our afternoon service is likely to begin at 1p.m. So come on down and join us for an enjoyable day of worship and fellowship. Please book your seat on the bus with Bill Louw (93981902). We look forward to having you!

**CONCERT TOUR**

**Evert van de Veen  
 (The Netherlands)**

*Beautiful organ works and own arrangements on Psalms & Hymns! Enjoy listening to a big organ in Perth on the Friday night. Or go to Guildford on Saturday afternoon and enjoy a coffee with the organist after the concert.*

DATE	VENUE	TIME
April 8	Wesley Uniting Church, Perth (William Street)	8:00 p.m.
April 9	Chapel of St. Mary & St. George (Guildford Grammar School)	2:30 p.m.
April 10	Free Reformed Church, Armadale- Organ & Audience Singing	7:30 p.m.
April 15	Free Reformed Church, West-Albany	8:00 p.m.
April 16	Free Reformed Church, Albany	8:00 p.m.
April 17	Free Reformed Church, Albany- Organ & Audience Singing	7:30 p.m.

**CD's and sheet music will be available at the concerts.  
 Entry at concerts is by donation or collection.  
 Contact: Andrew Kroeze (9841 4088) kroeze@bigpond.com**

## What is on this week

Wednesday	30 <sup>th</sup> March	9:00 A.M	Bread at Church
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## Worship Ministry

Date	Duty elder	Greeter	Data	Sound	Reader	Musician	Preacher
27 <sup>th</sup> March a.m. p.m.	Steve	Willem & Jannet	Johan Luke	Paul vdK Nelson	Nelson	Ralph	R. Noppers J.de Jongh
3 <sup>rd</sup> April a.m.	Willem	Steve & Hetty	Johan	Paul vdK	Jacqueline	Rachel	R. Noppers
10 <sup>th</sup> April a.m. p.m.	Bardi	Willem & Eiril	Johan Luke	Paul vdk Klarinda	Raymond		P.Kossen
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Sam	Bardi & Jannet	Johan & Paul	Paul Vdk Nelson	Nelson	Elsa Ralph	

**Video:** James

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

Date	Coffee Fellowship	Crèche	Sunday School
27 <sup>th</sup> March	R & H van der Kooij, Victor	Melody , Beslin	Trudy,
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Ossevoort, Janny	Annette, Eliza	Saara, Bethia
10 <sup>th</sup> April	de Jager, Jill	Mieke, Klarinda	Holidays
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Oostrick, Bardi	Jacqueline, Jordan	Holidays

## Coming up

**April 2nd** Rehoboth College 50<sup>th</sup> Annivesary Celebrations @ Wilson and Kenwick Campuses

**April 3rd** Shared Lunch

**April 3rd** 3:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Service at Rehoboth Kenwick Campus Celebrating 50 years.

**April 24<sup>th</sup>** Senior's Day Out to Australind

**April 30<sup>th</sup>** Manaoh Market Day