



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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31<sup>st</sup> of July 2016

**9:30am:** R. Noppers

Readings: **Ephesians 6:5-9, Colossians 3:22-25**

Sermon: **Titus 2:9-10 “Making God Our Saviour Attractive”**

**5:30pm:** R. Noppers

Readings: **1 John 3:1-24**

Sermon: **James 4:4-6 “Friendship and Enmity”**

## Meditation

It appears that in our society we have a growing trend towards what I would call “Paper Experts”. After spending several years at university, graduating from first a degree, then perhaps honours, then also a Masters or even a PhD, gaining a wealth of knowledge and learning as much as you can from books, you walk out with a piece of paper (or number of pieces) which state that you have achieved competency within your chosen field. However, such knowledge on its own is ineffective and of little use unless it is put into practice: true expertise only come when such knowledge is combined with experience, when the facts are put into practise, when life shapes our expression of what we know! In the same way, believers in Jesus Christ can fill their heads with knowledge about the Bible, understand all the detail and doctrines of salvation – and think that makes us an “expert”; or we can live out what we believe, put into practise the salvation that comes through grace, that is sheer mercy, that is driven by a love without limits, and shaped by compassion that endures even a cross! It is this latter emphasis that Paul commands to Titus; and by extension to everyone of us – a command which began with what should be taught in accord with sound doctrine, to older men and women, passed down to younger women and men, and now extended to slaves as well: so that regardless of who we are, or what place we have in society, or where we spend most of our time, like at work, at school, in our neighbourhoods; we do more than simply “know the doctrines” but live in such a way so that *“in every way ... we ... make the teaching about God our Saviour attractive.”*

## Pastoral

This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. In our worship we also bring one another to the Lord in prayer, giving thanks for many

## 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 this church

#### Second Offering

**31-Jul**

World Transform

**7-Aug**

TEAR Fund

**14-Aug**

Christian Education – Rehoboth

blessings but also presenting to Him our needs. However, it is not only in a church service that this is possible, let us remember one another in prayer before God and especially our elderly members.

We rejoice with Florence and pastor Geoff who last week was privileged to baptise Mackenzie Swarts, daughter of Travis and Clarissa; and again this Sunday with the baptism of Aiden, son of Anthony and Kylie Van Der Zee. What an awesome blessing to celebrate God's covenant faithfulness with the gift of grandchildren.

Next Sunday, Lord willing, we hold our AGM after the morning service. If you do not yet have the materials for that meeting, check your pigeon hole or speak to Sam Assaad. After the AGM we will have our monthly shared lunch, so if you are able, bring something to share. There will be no catechism next Sunday...

**Catechism** is on as usual today after the morning service, and also tomorrow after school.

**Canning Bible Study:** is on this Wednesday evening starting at 7:30 pm at the home of Johan Wolmarans. Come see pastor Reinier if you want to know more.

### **CHURCH CAMP:**

Gosnells congregation have once again extended an invitation to us to join with them in their Family Camp, which will be held from 14<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> October.

Organising is well underway, and the Camp Committee wishes to provide advance notice of the cost so we are able to start planning financially towards this. Camp Fees are Adult \$80; Youth \$40; Family \$200 (2 adults and any children at or under school age or at full time tertiary studies); Day Visitors – Single \$40; Family \$100. If the cost is a problem for you, please note that assistance is available to enable you to attend the camp: for such assistance or to register your interest in attending, please speak to Reinier Noppers.

### **News From Other Churches**

**Gosnells:** Christina Verbrugge's knee replacement operation went well.

**Mark Scholma** continues to progress at home. He is now having follow-up visits with specialists, with the hope that the frame can come off his leg within a month.

**Mimi de Boer** is also facing minor surgery on Wednesday.

### **Perth Men's Convention**

Saturday August 27th

8.30am – 3pm

At Woodvale Baptist Church.

With Martin Foord

## Announcements

### CRCA 2016/17 Yearbook

There are some copies of the new denominational yearbook available for sale @ \$17.05 ea. including postage.

If you would like a copy please contact Maria Jobse – Email: [admin@crca.org.au](mailto:admin@crca.org.au) or Mobile: 0423 309 930.

### 2016 Census

On the 9th August this year every Australian household will be required to again complete a Census. One of the questions you will need to answer is “What is the person’s religion”. The options given will be “No Religion” then a number of Christian denominations and other religions. They are listed in the expected order of ‘popularity’. There is no option for “Reformed” or similar.

Members of the CRCA are therefore encouraged to choose “Other” as their religion then “specify “Christian Reformed” as the specific denomination.

On behalf of the Synodical Interim Committee

Tony Deenick

### Soup Night Fundraiser

Sara van Dam and Austin Rees are planning to go to the Philippines on a mission trip as part of their school team’s in November. The teams will be helping in building projects, working with children in the community, participating in feeding programs and much more.



Please come along and enjoy some delicious soup, cheese toasties and some delectable desserts!

WHEN: Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August

WHERE: Christian Reformed Church of Gosnells

FROM: 5.30pm

We look forward to seeing you there!

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

- Junior Catechism class today after church
- Senior Catechism class Monday Afternoon at Family Noppers Place
- Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Bread @ Church
- Canning Bible Study Wednesday 7:30 pm @ the home of Johan Wolmarans

## Coming up

- Soup night fundraiser @ Gosnells 6<sup>th</sup> August 5:30 PM
- Shared Lunch 7<sup>th</sup> August

## WORSHIP MINISTRYS

Date	Preacher	Duty elder	Greeters	Reader	Data	Sound	Video	Musician
31 July AM	R. Noppers	Steve	Willem & Jannet	Nelson	Luke	Klarinda	James	Ralph
31 July PM	R. Noppers	Steve	Willem & Jannet		Luke	Klarinda	James	Ralph
7 August AM	R. Noppers	Bardi	Steve & Yvonne	Jacqueline	Johan	Paul vdK	James	Rebecca
7 August PM	R. Noppers	Bardi	Steve & Rob		Paul N.	Nelson	James	

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

## HELPING HANDS

Date	Coffee Fellowship	Crèche	Sunday School
31/07/2016	Alberts, Jill	Rebecca, Beslin	Emma, Rebekah
7/08/2016	Assaad, P v/d Kooij	Annette, Nicola	Saara, Bethia
14/08/2016	Nieuwkerk, Victor	Vanessa, Joshua	Nicolene, Lisa

## Birthdays this week

31<sup>st</sup> of July Andrew Sloomer

1<sup>st</sup> of August Hesmarie Husselmann

6<sup>th</sup> of August Devilliers Venter