



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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9:30am:

Bible Readings: Romans 1:28-32, Ephesians 4:17-24, 1 Corinthians 6:9-11
Sermon: Titus 3:3 "Was That Me?"

5:30pm:

Stumbling Blocks

Walking upright and strong is something we can take for granted. The ability to take one step after another and not fall is almost an automatic response to our desire to walk to a destination whether it be the bathroom, car or shop. Young children learning to walk, wobble as they pull themselves up, lean on furniture or people for stability before they attempt to move forward and then with eagerness take several quick steps before they collapse and try again. As we age the steadiness of each step can deteriorate as body aches and pain slow our step or stability. But what about each day, as you walk, have you ever stumbled on a paving stone, a toy (lego), or on your own feet? So it is with our faith, we can be blasé about our faith. We take our knowledge of a gracious forgiving God but do nothing with it. When was the last time you earnestly confessed your sins to the Lord? When was the last time you apologised for a comment that was perhaps hurtful or breaking a promise to visit or call? Or approached someone who has offended you? It is easy to ignore our sin (it isn't that bad), to live with bitterness towards others or benign benevolence of God's grace. We all sin each and every day and we need to remind ourselves that these "sins" are not what God requires of us. God requires that we, "act justly, love mercy and walk humbly." (Micah 6: 8) Walking humbly means seeing our sinfulness and seeking reconciliation. Do not allow your sin to become a stumbling block in your walk with Lord. As we prepare to celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper take time to reflect. Use the faith given to us. As a young child leans on a piece of furniture to steady their stride we can lean on God's Word. We can gain strength and comfort from spending time in the Word, acknowledging our sinfulness, making peace with God (and others), then we may walk with confidence to the Table of the Lord knowing we come with a contrite heart.

Last week Anneli Assaad flew to be with family after the passing away of her grandmother. We are thankful that she knew the Lord and even though this is a time

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
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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

9-Oct

Diaconate

16-Oct-

Solomon Islands Work Group

23-Oct

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of mourning for the family, it is also a time of thankfulness and reflection on our God who provides comfort in difficult times. Pastor Geoff and Florence were also able to gather with family for the funeral of Geoff's father in Queensland. They are safely back in the Wheatbelt ready for another term of teaching opportunities in the outback.

School commences this week again. We hope students and teachers alike were refreshed after their short break. Catechism class will be on tomorrow afternoon (not TODAY due to this Sunday being a pulpit swap). This evening we welcome Tony van Drimmelen to lead us in worship, while I will be in Willetton.

This past week I attended the Synod from Netherdutch Reformed Churches of South Africa. It was good to extend greetings on behalf of the CRCA and also to see where the church stands on issues like homosexuality. It was a long and tiring week but it is good to be home again after several weeks busy with Ecumenical work. Thanks go to all who have helped filled in the blanks with services and other behind the scenes organisation over the last weeks.

Lord willing next Sunday morning (October 16th) we will be able to share in the Lord's Supper. It is timely that we all take the opportunity to reflect on how we live our life, our relationship with our Lord and others. If there are stumbling blocks from preventing you from participating in the Lord's Supper, take the time this week to make peace with your Saviour or those who may have offended you or you have offended. If you know of visitors who will be with us next week, please speak to an elder regarding attending the Table of the Lord.

In the evening of the 16th October, a combined youth service has been organised by our state youth worker. The service will be held at Willetton CRC, 6:00p.m. The guest speaker will be Marty Ford from Trinity Theological College. He will be speaking on missions. See further in LINK for more details

During that week we will have church visitors attend our Session meeting (Tuesday October 18th) to discuss the Spiritual wellbeing of this church and how we as leadership, shepherd God's people. If there are issues you would like to raise, please do so this week with a member of Session.

NEWS FROM OTHER CHURCHES

Gosnells: We rejoice with Ebony de Jongh and Dan Thompson on their marriage yesterday. Eppie Pellicaan has been admitted to hospital and is undergoing tests to diagnose health issues. There are also those recuperating from major surgeries in particular; Mark Scholma, Henk Tibben (returned home on Monday) and Atie Brookes (transferred to Bentley Hospital for rehabilitation). Leo van der Wacht has also returned home.

World Transform's Vision 2020

Please read a specially made brochure from WT! Copies are available for everyone. Make sure you take one home today. It shares our exciting new vision that will have a huge impact on the lives of many young women who live in abject poverty. With your prayerful and financial support and most of all with the blessing of God, we will significantly expand and improve this deed ministry in God's name. Bert Kuipers – WT publicity.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Canning Bible Study meets this Wednesday at the Noppers' home, 7:30 p.m. We plan to start a new book. For more details, speak to Pastor Reinier

SENIOR MEN OF OUR CHURCHES

We plan to meet again next week on TUESDAY 18th October 9.30 am

It will be our annual joint meeting with the senior men of the Westminster Presbyterian Church at Bull Creek. and will be at their Church, 32 Bull Creek Drive , Bull Creek

A guest speaker has been arranged.

Please note starting time 9.30 a.m.

All very welcome

YOUTH SERVICE

WHEN: Sunday October 16th, 2016

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Willetton Christian Reformed Church

Portcullis Drive, Willetton

SPEAKER: Marty Ford (Trinity Theological College)

TOPIC: Missions

Supper will be provided after service.



Birthdays this week

14th of October Leon Noppers

SWIM Announcement

The Solomon Island Workgroup would like to advise the churches that Geoff and Jan Hughes will complete their role as Director of SWIM at the end of November and will not be returning to Solomon Islands. The Solomon Island Workgroup (SIW) would like to thank Geoff and Jan for their year of service and pray that God will lead them in the next chapter of their lives.

This also means that the SIW is now looking for their replacement. If you have a heart for mission, if you can work as part of a team in managing the SWIM base, if you feel called to work in the Solomon Islands in a mission field where God is very active, then please contact SIW for further details.

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – Run by Samaritan's Purse

It is time many people are filling a shoe box for a child who has substantially less than we do. The idea is pack a box of quality items that a child can enjoy.

Select a sex and an age range {Girl / Boy 2-4, 5-9, 10-14} Label the box appropriately then fill a small box (shoebox) with the following which would be suitable for the age and sex of your child:

- Something to wear (t-shirt, shorts, dress, underwear, pants)
- Something to help with hygiene (soap, toothbrush, comb, facewasher, small towel -NO TOOTHPASTE)
- Something to play with (small car, hacky sack, balls -good quality ..ones that bounce, skipping rope, plastic animals (farm, zoo) – NO battery operated toys, war themed toys (guns), skulls, playing cards)
- Something to help them learn (small notepad or book, coloured pencils and sharpener, lead pencils, rubber, safety scissors, small coloured paper squares, crayons, pencilcase)
- Something to love (soft toy/doll, small rug (polar fleece) to cuddle, hand puppet)
- Something special (hat, sunglasses, jewellery, pretty hair ties/clips, special melamine plate/bowl/cup)

A full list of suggestions can be found on the foyer table.

At the top of the box enclose **\$10.00** in an envelope to cover shipping.

A good idea is to include a small cloth bag (drawstring bag, swimming bag, small backpack) for all the treasures to be placed in – the boxes to not last. This can be folded and placed at the bottom of the box.

Remember recipients may not be English speaking, so keep written words to a minimum. No war/skull/gambling related items). Small plastic clip lid containers are great for enclosing small items.

If you wish to participate and cannot fill a box on your own, please pass on any goods or donation for shipping to Trudy. She will ensure boxes, goods and donations are given delivered to Samaritan's Purse.

PLEASE NOTE: In a few months' time we also have the opportunity to give through our own denomination aid programme (WORLD TRANSFORM) from projects as small as \$10.00 (Bag of goods, similar to above for underprivileged children) to projects costing thousands of dollars. Again an opportunity will be given to donate to a "pool" fund.

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What's on this week

Monday 3:45 Senior Catechism class @ Noppers home

Wednesday 9:00 AM Bread @ Church

Wednesday 7:30 Canning Bible study @ Noppers home

Coming Up

Lord Supper October 16th

Tuesday 18th October Senior men of our Churches 9.30 am

WORSHIP MINISTRIES

Date	Preacher	Duty elder	Greeters	Reader	Data	Sound	Musician
9 October AM	R. Noppers	Sam	Bardi & Jannet	Beslin	Luke	Klarinda	Elsa
9 October PM	T van Drimmelen	Sam	Bardi & Jannet		Luke	Klarinda	Elsa
16 October AM	R. Noppers	Willem	Sam & Jill	Jacqueline	Paul N	Paul vdK	Rebecca
16 October PM	R. Noppers	Willem	Sam & Jill		Paul N	Nelson	
23 October AM	R.Noppers	Steve	Willem & Jacqueline	Raymond	Johan	Paul vdK	Ralph
23 October PM	G.van Schie	Steve	Willem & Jacqueline		Paul N	Nelson	

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

HELPING HANDS

Date	Coffee Fellowship	Crèche	Sunday School
9/10/2016	Ossevoort, de Jager	Jacqueline, Jordan	Holidays
16/10/2016	Alberts, Bardi	Trudy, Nicola	Trudy & Eliza
23/10/2016	Oostryck, Janny	Annette, Nelson	Nicolene, Lisa