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Sunday, September 2, 2018



A CONGREGATION CALLED BY GOD

TRANSFORMING AND

BEING TRANSFORMED

"A warm welcome to guests"

Jacob London
Interim Pastor

The Entire Congregation
Ministers

Worship Celebrations:
Sunday 10:30 am

Sunday, September 32, 2018

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude - Jim Hoogsteen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 124:8*)

L: Brothers and Sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ, where does your help come from?

P: "Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth."

***SONGS OF APPROACH**

Psalm 48 - Within Thy Temple, Lord

To the tune of #45 - Crown Him with Many Crowns

#571 - Trust and Obey

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Daniel 9:5*)

L: We have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules.

[Silent Confession]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (*Heidelberg Catechism Q.15, 2 Corinthians 5:21*)

L: What kind of Mediator and Deliverer must we seek?

P: One who is a true and righteous man, and yet more powerful than all the creatures; that is, one who is at the same time true God." Who is this man?

L: This man is Christ Jesus, who "For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

P: Hallelujah and Amen.

OPENING PRAYER - PRAYERS FOR OTHERS - LORD'S PRAYER

***SONGS OF PRAISE**

#572 - Blessed Assurance

Psalm 108 - My Heart is Fixed, O God (verses 1,2,3,6,7)

To the tune of #65 - Stand Up and Bless the Lord

TO HEAR HIS WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE - 1 John 5:1-5 [*p. 1317*]

Reader: Susan Duivesteyn

SERMON - "Loving the Children of God" - Matthew Senior

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

AND RESPOND TO HIS WORD

OFFERTORY PRAYER – OFFERING

#815 - Doxology

***BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING SONG**

#232 - God Be With You Till We Meet Again

** Indicates where congregation is to stand, if able.*

Please join us downstairs after the service for refreshments and fellowship.

Sermon Notes

ERC THIS WEEK

Sun	2nd	Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Matthew Senior Preaching Library Open after service
Mon	3rd	Labour Day
Tues	4th	
Wed	5th	Prayer Meeting 6:00 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm
Thu	6th	
Fri	7th	
Sat	8th	
Sun	9th	Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am



PRAYER CORNER

Mina Trachsler	Allan Blake
Nelly VandenBrink	Janet VanderMeulen
John & Hennie Ryken	Margaret Duivesteyn

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

James 5:16 (LEB) Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous person accomplishes much.

**Grietje & Janet VanderMeulen
Jane VanSlageren
John & Trudy VanStaveren**

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD'S BLESSINGS to **Paul & Carly Hippern** (anniversary 5th) and **Bill & Kathy Wielinga** (anniversary 8th).

WELCOME: A warm welcome again to Matthew Senior, who is preaching today while Jacob is on vacation.

RIDE FOR THE GATE: Gate 3:16 Outreach Centre will be hosting and welcoming all participants to our "Ride for the Gate " event to be held on Saturday, September 22, 2018. Details are as follows:

Location Start: 101 Mill Street Oshawa, at the Storie Community Centre
Registration starts at 8:00am

Ride Event starts at 9:00am

Ride Route: 10 or 30 km

Registration and sponsorship forms, maps, etc.: To be found online at www.gate316.org

BIKE RIDE DONATIONS: If you wish to donate to the Ride for the Gate, please include the amount in your offering envelope with the designation "Bike Ride". Donations will need to be in by September 16. Receipts will be issued for donations of \$20 or more.

OFFICE HOURS: The bulletin will be printed on Thursdays from now on. Please have any announcements or bulletin items in by Wednesday evening.

BIBLE READERS NEEDED: We would like more people on the Scripture reading rotation. If you're willing to be on the schedule to read the Scripture before the sermon on Sunday mornings, please speak with Tricia.

ATTENTION NEW FRIENDS: If you would like a mail slot in the narthex to receive the literature distributions, or if you would like your birthday/anniversary added to the church calendar, or if you'd like your name added to the Prayer Chain, or if you have any other list/admin requests, please let the office know by email at ercwhitby@rogers.com or put a note in the secretary slot in the back hall.

OFFERING ENVELOPES: We will be ordering the 2019 offering envelopes this week. If you are not currently using envelopes, please let Tricia know if you would like a set for next year.

FUN FAIR: September 15th marks Camp Shalom's 41st Annual Fun Fair. Hosted at the camp from 10am to 3pm. This family fun event offers attractions and events for guests of all ages; Inflatable Rides, an Animal Train, a Kidsland Adventure area with games for the kids, a tea room with Dutch treats for the young at heart and food; Dutch food specialties as well as fresh made pies and baked goods in our Country Store and Produce Tent. Back by popular demand is our Chainsaw Artisan.

CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS:

- We will be installing more lights to outside of church, for security reasons and to replace the lights that used to shine on the front of the church building.
- Using funds from Marina Dolson's bequest, we are partially supporting Jacob's fall semester in seminary. Support for future semesters will be in the 2019 budget.

REGIONAL WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT: The RCA Women's Transformation and Leadership and the Classis of Ontario are hosting a day retreat, "Honoring Our Histories", Saturday, Sept. 22nd 8:30 a.m.– 6:00 p.m at New Hope Reformed Church (2438 Glengarry Road, Mississauga). Speakers: Rev. Liz Testa, coordinator for Women's Transformation and Leadership, and Lesley Mazzotta, spiritual director, educational consultant, and facilitator. For more information or to register, please visit <http://newhopereformedchurch.ca/index.php/events/>

Welcome Greeters

Sep 2 Leo Clossen & Marinus Rensink

Sep 9 Garry & Cathy Warren

Sep 16 Pat Pluister & Jo Veenstra

Sep 23 Neil & Ann VanStaveren

Scripture Readers

Sep 2 Susan Duivesteyn

Sep 9 Tricia Groeneveld

Sep 16 Jacob London

Sep 23 Pat Pluister

Coffee Fellowship

(An extended list may be found at ercwhitby.com/announcements)

Sep 2 Neil & Ann VanStaveren with Pat Pluister

Sep 9 Teunis & Alie Verhoog with Joanne & Linda Verhoog

Sep 16 Ron & Ann Reitsma with Lillian Hammers

Sep 23 Kevin & Tricia Groeneveld with Paul & Carly Hippern

Nursery Helpers

Sep 2 Elizabeth VandenBos

Sep 9 Barb DeJong

Sep 16 Cathy Warren

Sep 23 Pat Pluister

PowerPoint Operators

Sep 2, 16 Paul Hippern

Sep 9 Tricia Groeneveld

We thank everyone who takes the time to share God's love by assisting at the church. If you're unable to meet your commitment, please arrange for somebody to take your place and inform the list manager and the office as soon as possible.