# Granum Christian Reformed Church

# **Rev. Pastor Henry Veldboom**

Sunday, January 12, 2020

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#### **Entering God's Presence**

Welcome & Call to Worship ~ Psalm 96:1-9

\*Song ~ "Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise" L515:1-5

\*God's Greeting

\*Song ~ "Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah" L518

### **Experiencing God's Grace**

Call to Confession ~ Hebrews 4:14-16

Prayer of Confession

Song ~ "Marvelous Grace" L696

Assurance of Pardon ~ 1 John 1:1-9

Confession of Faith ~ Apostles' Creed

\*Song ~ "Keep What You Have Believed" L769

# **Hearing God's Word**

Children's Blessing+

Scripture Reading ~ Philippians 3:1-11

Sermon ~ "Trust in Christ Alone"

Prayer of Application

# **Responding to God's Word**

\*Song of Response ~ "Not What My Hands Have

Done" L624

Congregational Prayer

Offering ~ Rehoboth Ministries

\*Offertory Prayer

# **Receiving God's Blessing**

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song ~ "God of Mercy, God of Grace" L934

\*Please stand if able +Sunday School PreK/K dismissed

#### **MUSICIANS:**

Today- Jennie & Marg Next Sunday- Worship Team

#### **GREETERS:**

Today- Charlie & Sonja Next Sunday- Fred & Debbie

#### **USHER:**

Today- Justin & Gary Next Sunday- Jason & Menzo

#### A/V TEAM:

Today- Jeanette, Ben Next Sunday- Lynae, Jeremy, Bryn

#### **NURSERY:**

Today- Kaylee, Olivia Next Sunday- Jan & Charlie

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPER:**

Today- Sharlene Next Sunday- Ben

#### **OFFERING:**

Today- Rehoboth Next Sunday- Emma House

# **LIBRARY**:

#### TODAY:

**Nursery** is available and is located upstairs **Sunday School** 

- Children PreK/K dismissed during the service
- All other classes meet after the service \*No assembly until Jan 19.

2pm Pioneer Lodge Singing

**3pm** Extendicare Singing

Everyone is invited to join in the Fellowship Hall following the service for coffee.

# THIS WEEK:

Monday 6:30pm GEMS (snack-Ellie & Ivy)
6:30pm Cadets (snack- Jed & Elijah)
Tuesday 9:30am Women's Bible Study
Wednesday 9:45am Coffee Break
Thursday 9:30am Golden Hour
Saturday 7:30am Men's Life

#### Coming Up:

Next Sunday Jan 19- Soup & Bun (Group #9 Amanda & Diane)
-Young Adults 1:00pm

#### **CHURCH FAMILY**

Please remember our members who need ongoing prayer, including: Henrietta, Thea, Ralph, Aylmer & Norma, Albert & Barb, Hetty & Bill, and Rob, Crystal & Alex.

# **OUR CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ~Looking for a few more adults willing to supervise in the nursery about once every 3 months. If you are willing to serve in this way please let Breanne know.
- ~ Thank you, congregation, for your recent gifts in support of Back to God Ministries International. This past December marked eighty years of sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ through media ministry by the Christian Reformed Church. We covet your prayers and support, and pray that together we can share the good news of God's love and grace to our neighbors down the street and "to the ends of the earth". Visit <a href="backtogod.net">backtogod.net</a> to see how you are helping to share the Gospel, disciple new believers, and strengthen the Church!

#### January 8, 2020 Council Meeting Notes

- ~On behalf of the congregation, Council thanks all involved with the Sunday School Christmas program and luncheon. Also, thanks to the decorators, readers, and musicians who helped us celebrate Advent and Christmas.
- ~A Safe Church Committee has been formed and will begin creating a policy for our church. The members are Neal, Sharla, Sandra, and Anton. If you feel called to help in this work, let Neal know.
- ~The annual pastor review took place.
- ~Officers selected for 2020: Chair-Jerry, Vice Chair-Jon, Clerk-Fred, General Assistant-David. An updated officer and committee list will be distributed soon.
- ~Council encourages all men to attend a Promise Keepers breakfast & seminar at our church on January 25. The topic will be on stewardship in time management.
- ~Next Council meeting: Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 7pm. Elders will meet at 6:30pm.

# **GRANUM CRC NEWSLETTER**

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# **OUR COMMUNITY**

# **CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY & AROUND THE WORLD**

Canadian Ministries Director - 2019 has been a wonderful year of experiencing the grace of God through the Christian Reformed Church and its 270 local communities. The ministry momentum year over year has been strong, thanks to the efforts of tens of thousands of CRC people across Canada. Thank you for being part of what God is doing via this re-forming church! From our National Gathering, where we heard that the church desires increased missional and spiritual practices in our communities, to the fight for effective changes to refugee policy, achieved through the halls of parliament and overseas in partnership with World Renew, and the delightful "I Am Not My Own tour" of Jeremy Benjamin... it has been a year of continued growth. I am looking forward to what God has in store for the CRC in and through its Canadian expression in 2020. Thanks to all of you as co-labourers in Christ!

**The Banner** magazine wants to hear from you! - Please take our survey at thebanner.org/Survey. Help us improve to serve you better. Your participation is voluntary, confidential, and will only take about 10 minutes. Thank you!

Church Leadership, A Home-Rebuilding Opportunity - Do you wonder how your church offerings to World Renew Disaster Response Services make a difference? Have you wanted to experience what it is like to repair disaster-damaged homes? Consider volunteering Monday – Friday, March 23-27, in North Carolina and find out for yourself! This is a week specifically for pastors and/or church staff leaders to work together and get directly involved in this ministry. Contact Chris Gibson at cgibson@worldrenew.net or 800-848-5818 to learn more.

Join our Team at World Renew! - Compelled by God's deep passion for justice & mercy, we join communities around the world to renew hope, reconcile lives, and restore creation. If you're passionate about this mission and want to join our team, check out the following career and internship opportunities: CRM Applications and Business Process Manager, based in Burlington, ON or Grand Rapids, MI; Donor Relations Manager - Alberta, ideally based in between Calgary & Edmonton; Refugee Program Associate, based in Ontario; Refugee Program Support Intern, based in Burlington, ON; and Safeguarding and Complaints Coordinator - based in Burlington, ON. See worldrenew.net/careers for more details and the links to apply.

**Volunteer Close to Home** - Are you looking for a robust volunteer experience but don't want to be away from home for months? Consider volunteering for up to three weeks with World Renew Disaster Response Services this winter or next spring. Volunteer by yourself, or with a friend or spouse, to repair homes for disaster survivors who are still awaiting help. Make new friends from across the country -- and make a real difference. Contact Diana Marquez at dmarquez@worldrenew.net or 800-848-5818 to find your fit.

JANUARY SERIES 2020 - This January for the 33rd year, Calvin University presents the 2020 January Series – the award-winning free series of 15 lunchtime lectures. This year the series runs weekdays from January 8 through 28, from 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. EST. Topics include poverty and hunger, immigration, mass incarceration, religious freedom, the ethics of big data, and so much more, presented by top experts in their fields. Thousands will join us on Calvin's campus for the daily noontime lectures; others will join the conversation by live feed at 60 remote webcast sites across the continent, while others will listen online. For information about the speakers, topics, remote sites and listening options, visit our website at <a href="https://www.calvin.edu/january">www.calvin.edu/january</a>

**In Burma**- In 2018, Wa rebels in the state of Shan began closing churches and arresting Christians in the process, the pro-Chinese rebels had closed more than 100 churches. In 2019, the rebels began allowing some of these churches to reopen and, by mid-December, all but one of the 52 Baptist churches in the region had been allowed to resume ministry. Christian leaders in the area say that Wa militants predominantly follow tribal religions and are opposed to the spread of Christianity. Praise God that many of the churches have been allowed to reopen.