

Granum Christian Reformed Church

Rev. Pastor Henry Veldboom

Sunday, April 14, 2019



April 14, 2019 ~ Palm Sunday

Lent Series: "Everyday Spirituality"

Entering God's Presence

Welcome & Call to Worship ~ John 12:12-16

*God's Greeting

*Opening Song ~ "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" L146

Sunday School Children Sing

*Song of Praise ~ "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" L145

Experiencing God's Grace

Call to Confession ~ Romans 8:31b-33

Prayer of Confession

Song of Confession ~ "Depth of Mercy" L702

Confession of Faith ~ Apostles' Creed

Assurance of Pardon ~ Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 37-39

*Song of Assurance ~ "Oh, to See the Dawn" L177

Hearing God's Word

Children's Blessing+

Scripture Reading ~ John 12:17-36

Sermon ~ The Spiritual Discipline of Seeing Our Humble God

Prayer of Application

Responding to God's Word

*Song of Response ~ "My Song Is Love Unknown" L148

Congregational Prayer

Offering ~ General Fund

*Offertory Prayer

*Please stand if able

+Children PreK-Gr.1 dismissed for Sunday School

MUSICIANS:

Today- Amy & Hermina

Good Friday- Jennie & Marg

Next Sunday- Worship Team

GREETERS:

Today- Kaylee & Jason

Good Friday- Elders

Next Sunday- Mike & Jenn

USHER:

Today- Ryan & Jeanette

Next Sunday- Gary & Peter

A/V TEAM:

Today- Adam, Alex

Good Friday- Jeanette & Ben

Next Sunday- Lynae, Alex, Aidan

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPER:

Today- Keira

Next Sunday- No Class

NURSERY:

Today- Megan & Mary

Good Friday- Diane & Avry

Next Sunday- Jan & Sharlene

OFFERING:

Today- General Fund

Next Sunday- Resonate Global

LIBRARY:

April- Jo & Adri

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

This Week:

Monday 7:00pm – Choir Practice

6:30pm – Cadets/GEMS (Snack- Andrea)

Tuesday 9:30am – Women's bible study

Wednesday 9:45am – Coffee Break

Thursday 9:30am – Golden Hour

*Friday 7:00pm – Good Friday Service (Lord's Supper)

Saturday 7:30am – Men's Life

Coming Up:

April 24/25- Ladies Craft Nights

April 26- Movie Night

April 28- GEMS Sunday

-Soup & Bun (Group 2- Sandra & Deb)

TODAY:

Sunday School children are to meet in the basement prior to this morning's service to prepare for Palm Sunday

Nursery is available and is located upstairs

Sunday School ~ PreK-Gr 1 dismissed during service

~All other classes meet after church

Assembly ~ Sunday School kids sing after the service

2pm~ Pioneer Lodge Singing

3pm~ Extending Singing

Everyone is invited to join in the fellowship hall for coffee after the service.



Happy Belated 65th Birthday to Hermina V. on April 10!!

Happy Birthday to Thelma D. on April 16!!

Happy 94th Birthday to Ralph P. on April 17!!

CHURCH FAMILY

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

OUR CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



~ Ladies craft night: Wednesday April 24 or Thursday April 25 at 7:00pm. Come out and create some unique jewelry. Drusy earrings as well as leather. Bracelets/anklets made with beads or leather. Cost is \$20 and all materials are supplied for you. Signup sheet is located on the library counter. If you have any questions talk to Jenn or Diane.

April 10, 2019 Council Meeting Notes

- Council decided that one side of our billboard road sign will read “Life Is a Gift”
- We may have the opportunity to help Maranatha CRC, Lethbridge in supporting the immigration of refugees from Kenya related to a family attending their church. Deacons will keep us informed.
- Soup & Bun will be on April 28th because next Sunday is Easter.
- Annual Church Picnic will be on June 29 at the Granum Homesteader. Details to follow.
- Next council meeting: Wednesday, May 8 at 7pm. Elders will meet at 6:30pm.

GRANUM CRC NEWSLETTER

April 14, 2019

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Elim Society

- On June 1, the Elim Society for Senior Citizen's Care is joining with the Blue Sea Foundation in a national family-friendly fundraising walk for seniors' causes, called The Grand Parade. The Society hopes to raise \$20,000 to help with debt reduction and refurbishing of the Balmoral House apartments. We are looking for your help! We need ten "captains" who are willing to gather a team of friends to walk the 2.5 or 5 km route around Legacy Park in north Lethbridge and to solicit donations from friends and families to help the fund-raising effort. We need walkers! We are searching for volunteers to help run the event. Finally, we are looking for people, although they may not be able to volunteer, would be willing to sponsor our walkers or teams.

Blue Sea is a philanthropic organization that helps local non-profit charities raise money for worthwhile causes. Participating organizations see a significant portion of the moneys raised (at least 75%) in a local area returned to them by way of grant. The Elim Society for Senior Citizen's Care operates two independent living facilities in Lethbridge where Christian seniors can share in faith-based community living. Check our website at <https://elimlethbridge.org>. To volunteer or sponsor walkers and teams, go online to <https://thegrandparade.org/location/lethbridge>, or e-mail phil@elimlethbridge.org.

- The Elim Society for Senior Citizen's Care is looking for expressions of interest in the purchase of small life-lease townhouse units. We have available land for 14 townhouse units, 6 two-bedroom and 8 one-bedroom units, on the south side of the Elim Village property 275 Lettice Perry Rd N, Lethbridge. The projected design features one living level even with the street, an attached garage and a basement for storage and utility service. The Elim Society continues to hold ownership of the land, and guarantees buy-back of the unit at 95% of purchase value when lease-holders no longer require the property. External maintenance of grounds and roads provide by Elim on a monthly fee. Perfect for Christian seniors who are interested in downsizing but are not yet ready for lodge accommodations. Units must be presold before building begins. Estimated cost of the life lease: \$225,000.

Residents would be welcome to join in the Christian faith activities and dining opportunities at Elim Village.

For more information, please contact William Halma at 403-320-7028 or Peter Schalk at 403 393-0627, or info@elimlethbridge.org.

LPCC

- EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:** The Lethbridge Pregnancy Care Centre (LPCC) is seeking post-secondary students to fill two temporary, full-time positions within the Centre. If you would like to spend your summer working to support women facing unplanned pregnancy and expanding the influence of the LPCC, please email office@lethbridgepregcentre.com for an application package. Application deadline is April 30, 2019.

Telling Our Faith Stories Workshop

- Sharing stories of God at work in our lives deepens the faith of those who tell the stories and those who hear them. This workshop will explore ways to help your church become a community where storytelling is a deep, rich, natural pathway to a growing faith. Participants will look at a variety of ways and places for telling faith stories. Lesli VanMilligen from the Faith Formation Ministries team of the CRC will be leading this workshop. Please join us at the Taber CRC on Wednesday April 24 at 7:00 PM. Please contact Pastor Brian at 403-223-1399 if you have any questions.

Faith Formation Workshops

- EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAITH FORMATION!!** Please join us at Maranatha CRC Lethbridge, April 23 and April 25, 7-9 PM, as Pastor Lesli VanMilligen from the Faith Formation Ministries Team of the CRC leads us in the following workshops.
- APRIL 23: Canoeing the Mountains:** This workshop is for ministry leaders, elders, deacons and folks who are passionate about engaging their communities. Based on a book by Tod Bolsinger, we will ask the important question about what deep changes within our congregational culture might need to happen in order to address a changing world while staying true to the Gospel.
- APRIL 25: Growing Young and Renegotiating Faith:** Walking with youth and young adults through a critical season in faith formation. For parents, youth leaders, ministry leaders and those in church leadership roles. Or for anyone who is interested in this compelling and challenging reality. We will look at The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada's recent research study -- "Renegotiating Faith: The Delay in Young Adult Identity Formation and What It Means for the Church in Canada" along with "Growing Young: and the Six Essential Strategies to Help Young People Discover and Love Your Church." The Fuller Youth Institute's 2016 book "Growing Young" profiles innovative churches that are engaging 15 to 29-year-olds and who, as a result, are growing—spiritually, emotionally, missionally, and numerically—in a way that breathes life into the whole church. This workshop introduces six strategies to help your church begin "growing young." Copies of the book "Growing Young" are available from Chris Vanderberg (\$10) if you would like to read the book ahead of attending the workshop.

Refreshments will be served. Questions about the workshops at Maranatha call Chris Vanderberg at 403-894-6424. See you there!

African Children's Choir

- Come join the African Children's Choir as they perform in our community during their Canadian Tour, at the Fort Macleod Alliance Church on Friday, April 26 at 7:00 pm. Admission will be free for all ages; a free-will offering will follow the Choir's concert to help support the Music for Life Institute. Don't miss out on this uniquely immersive worship experience through song, dance and video story-telling!

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY & AROUND THE WORLD

~World Renew

- World Renew Responds to Cyclone in Africa - Right now, more than 2.5 million people in Malawi, Mozambique, and Zimbabwe are facing devastation in the aftermath of Cyclone Idai. World Renew is working to deliver emergency shelter and lifesaving supplies to the survivors affected by the disaster. To find out more and to donate, please go to worldrenew.net/cycloneidai.

~In China

- Over the past eight years, we have been reporting on numerous incidents of hardship faced by members of the Shouwang Church in Beijing, one of the most prominent unregistered churches in the country. On March 23rd, the police moved in to completely shut down and to liquidate the church. The church, which has encountered mounting pressure to join the official Three-Self Church since 2004, was forced to meet outdoors since April 2011. Students meeting for Bible classes affiliated with the ministry were interrogated and then informed that the church was officially shut down. The pastor, Jin Tianming has been under house arrest since 2011. Pray that the Lord will mediate on their behalf so that they may worship in peace.