



**CALVARY
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**

Pastor Pieter Heerema

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**Sunday Service - January 23, 2022
Order of Worship — Pastor Pieter Heerema**

**rise in body or in spirit*

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Prayer for Worship

***Singing: This Is the Day
All Heaven Declares**

**PH 241
MP 4**

**Call to Worship*

O sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things.
His right hand and his holy arm
have gotten him victory.
The LORD has made known his victory;
he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.
He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of Israel.
All the ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God. —Psalm 98:1-3, NRSV

***Singing: Humble Thyself**

MP 166

**God's Greeting*

Grace, **Amen**
Beloved, the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

***Singing: God Himself Is with Us**

LUYH 565

Children's Time

Message: Obeying God's Word

Song: Jesus Loves Me

Confession and Assurance

Call to Confession:

The apostle John wrote:

My little children,
I am writing these things to you
so that you may not sin.
But if anyone does sin,
we have an advocate with the Father
Jesus Christ the righteous;
and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins,
and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.
In the strength of this assurance,
let us confess our sins to God. —based on 1 John 2:1-2, NRSV

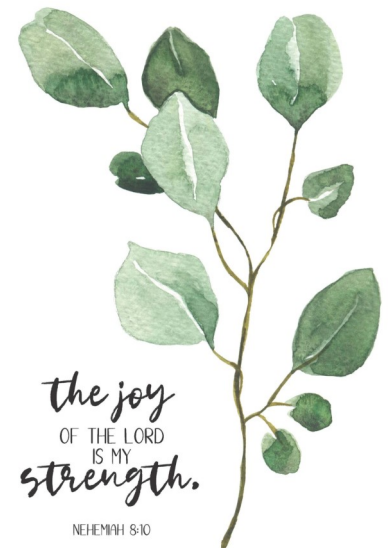
Singing: Don't Be Afraid

LUYH 429

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon:

In a surge of anger
I hid my face from you for a moment,
but with everlasting kindness
I will have compassion on you,"
says the Lord your Redeemer.
"I, even I, am he who blots out
your transgressions, for my own sake,
and remembers your sins no more."
"I have swept away your offenses like a cloud,
your sins like the morning mist.
Return to me,
for I have redeemed you." —Isaiah 54:8; 43:25; 44:22, NIV



God's Will for Us

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.
Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.
Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer
and supplication with thanksgiving
let your requests be made known to God.
And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable,
whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing,
whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence
and if there is anything worthy of praise,
think about these things.
Keep on doing the things that you have learned
and received and heard and seen in me,
and the God of peace will be with you. —Philippians 4:4-9, NRSV

***Singing: Be Thou My Vision** **LUYH 859**

Proclamation of the Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Nehemiah 8: 1-10

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Message: Celebrate God

Thanksgiving

***Singing: Oh, to See the Dawn**

LUYH 177

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: First: Ministry Shares (CRC ministries)

Second: Calvary Church (our ministry)

**Sending*

***Singing: Shout to the Lord**

LUYH 603

*God's Parting Blessing

Amen.



LUYH = Lift Up Your Hearts (red hymnal)
PH = Psalter Hymnal (grey hymnal)
MP = Maranatha Praise (red book)
WS = Worship Sourcebook
RW = Reformed Worship Magazine



Council has made the decision that due to the expectation that there will be no major Ontario government announcements, in regards to reopening, until January 26. The ongoing state of the pandemic and how it affects the church will be reviewed again once announcements are made by the government on the 26th. Online services will continue. Thanks to all for your patience and may we continue to pray for a release from the burden of these restrictions.
*On behalf of council, **Graham Johnson***

Church Family:

Peter de Weerd continues to decline in health due to cancer. Peter has entered palliative care, which is being administered at home. We ask our God for miracles of healing and to fill Peter and **Monique** with a strong sense of peace. May God be merciful.

Cobie de Jong continues in hospital. Because of memory loss Cobie cannot remember how she came to be in hospital. Cobie's care includes further testing and physiotherapy. Cobie's care includes further testing and physiotherapy. Cobie has been given a discharge date of January 27. May God grant healing.

The greatest gift
we can give to others
is our prayers.

Please continue to remember in your prayers all those who are ill and undergoing care. We also ask God to give all caregivers patience and perseverance as they continue to provide help. As this pandemic continues to affect us all, we ask God to help each of us through this time of separation and isolation. **Always pray for each other.**

A note from the de Weerds':

To our Christian community of Calvary Ottawa.

Peter and I wish to thank all of you for your support and prayers through this difficult time. Your texts, calls, and cards have deeply touched both of us. We are so blessed that God has led us to this loving warm caring group of Christians.

Please continue with your prayers because through you, God is giving us strength and courage.

Again we thank you and please remember you are in our prayers also.

Peter and Monique de Weerd



Please pray for God's blessing on the ministries of **IMMANUEL C.R.C., Cornwall** – thanks for visiting pastors; Spirit's leading in search for a new pastor.

Offerings:

Today: - Ministry Shares: Ministry Shares are collected monthly to assist the work of the many ministries of the Christian Reformed Church. Ministries we support within our Eastern Canada Classis include GEMS Leadership, Safe Church Team, Youth Ministry Team, New Church Development, Campus Ministries in Halifax and Ottawa, Missions Scholarship Fund, Home Missions Fund plus the Seafarers Ministry in Montreal. Ministries we support in both Canada and the US include Calvin College and Seminary, Back to God, Home and World Missions, The Banner, Disability Concerns, Faith Formation, Social Justice, Pastor-Church Relations and many more. We thank you for contributing according to the gifts you have been given.

January 30 — Cadet Sunday: Cadets is a weeknight program that meets weekly or bi-weekly in churches and helps boys become more Christlike in all areas of life. The Calvinist Cadet Corps is an independent youth ministry organization whose purpose is to provide churches with a unique ministry program that will enable them to effectively share Christ's love with boys in their church and community.

February 06 - Ottawa Mission: The Core Purpose of the Ottawa Mission is to reflect Jesus' love in serving the homeless, the hungry and the lost.

Our Mission is to provide food, shelter, clothing and skills, and offer healing, faith and hope for building a wholesome life. **Our Vision** is to become a collaborative leader and innovator in empowering those we serve in transitioning to wholeness.

February 13 - Camp Adonai: Camp Adonai is a non-profit volunteer-driven organization which operates a Christian summer camp for young people ranging in age from 9 to 15-years-old. The camp runs for two, one-week periods on the Scouts Canada Camp Opemikon camp site located on Christie Lake, near Maberly, Ontario. The camp's purpose is to provide an environment that encourages spiritual growth and fellowship amongst young people: a balance of light Christian study, lively discussion and of course the fun and games expected at any well-run summer camp. Established in 1962 by members of the Christian Reformed Churches of Eastern Ontario, Camp Adonai continues to provide young people a rich source of spiritual growth and enjoyment.



From Reframe Ministries (formerly Back to God Ministries International)

Thank you, congregation, for your faithful giving through ministry shares, and for your prayers in support of ReFrame Ministries. Like you, our ministries around the world find themselves in a protracted different space because of the pandemic. Adding to that is economic uncertainty in many nations and clampdowns by governments and religious groups of Christian gospel outreach. Now in 2022, we find ourselves in a position to share the Gospel around the world via technology when personal contact is still limited or forbidden. Thank you for your support through ministry shares and for your prayers, especially in this critical time. Our partners and believers from around the world greet you in the name of Jesus Christ. Visit <https://reframeministries.org> to see how *your* church is sharing the Gospel, discipling new believers and supporting local churches in many nations.

God's Global Community - Check out the new kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Did you know that God made every person on earth? And that no two of us are the same? God created an incredible global community, and you are a part of it. Listen now at kidscorner.net and check out all the new content.

Please Pray - On Saturday, January 29, 2022, delegates, the Canada CRCNA staff, and Canada Corp members will gather online to converse together about how we can grow deeper into God's mission in our Canadian context. The primary hope is that we might emerge from this Canadian Catalytic Conversation with some clarity on what structure might help CRCNA ministry in Canada flourish. In the readings and conversations, those gathered will hear about some of the related opportunities and challenges. Each Classis has been invited to designate 4 delegates to participate in this Canada-wide event. Please pray for our denominational staff, board members, organizing team, classes, and churches as together we seek God's guidance for the CRCNA within its Canadian context.

Calvin University

Calvin Symposium on Worship - (January 31 – February 4, 2022) Join this livestream conference, with several in-person sessions, sponsored by the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship and the Center for Excellence in Preaching, located at Calvin University and Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Learn more at worship.calvin.edu/symposium/

Groundwork: Your Identity in Christ and Your Behavior - Believing in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior changes your behavior, or at least it should. Join Groundwork as we study Ephesians 4:1-5:20 to hear the Apostle Paul's explanation for why and how our identity in Jesus Christ impacts what we do and say. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

CRC Communications

Launch of Thriving Essentials - Thriving Essentials is a new course for elders, deacons, church staff, and any volunteer ministry leader. These four, one-hour sessions are offered on Zoom and cover key ideas about mission, discipleship, discernment, and leadership. New groups start every month. Learn more and register now at crcna.org/Thrive

Diaconal Ministries Canada

Recruiting for New Council Members? - Help has arrived! Diaconal Ministries Canada has some great resources to help YOUR church find your next council members! Check out our website for tips and tricks - even COVID-friendly ones! Visit diaconalministries.com/leadership-development-administration/#recruitment-mentoring or contact your local Diaconal Coach for help.

ReFrame Ministries

Family Fire - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

Faith Formation Ministries

Faith Practice Reflection Tip - Reflection and Discussion Starter—the Practice of Engaging Scripture: Read Luke 24:45-49 and ponder or discuss the following questions. Luke says, "He opened [the disciples'] minds so they could understand the Scriptures." What do you think that revelation might have felt like to these friends of Jesus? What does it mean to be a "witness" to the truths of the gospel? How do you (or might you) do that in your everyday life? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject)

WHAT IF WE BEGAN TO TREAT OUR BIBLES THE WAY WE TREAT OUR CELLPHONES?

WHAT IF WE...

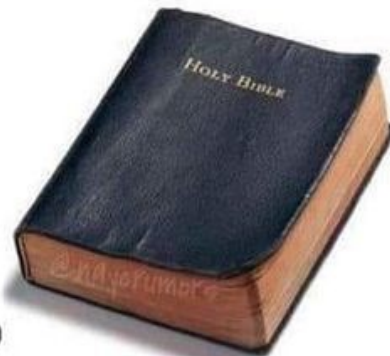
...CARRIED IT WITH US EVERYWHERE?

...TURNED BACK TO GO GET IT IF WE FORGOT IT?

...CHECKED IT FOR MESSAGES THROUGHOUT THE DAY?

...USED IT IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY?

...SPENT AN HOUR OR MORE USING IT EACH DAY?



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LOVE: AS SEEN THROUGH THE EYES OF CHILDREN

"You really shouldn't say I love you unless you mean it. But if you mean it, you should say it a lot. People forget".

2022	TODAY	JANUARY 30	FEBRUARY 06
10:00 AM	ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE	ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE	ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE
WORSHIP LEADER	PASTOR PIET HEEREMA	PASTOR PIET HEEREMA	PASTOR PIET HEEREMA
OFFIC./ ELDER HOLY COMMUNION	MAXIME	GRAHAM	GRAHAM
DEACON	MARTIN		SHARON
OFFERING 2ND OFFERING	MINISTRY SHARES CALVARY C.R.C.	CADET SUNDAY CALVARY C.R.C.	OTTAWA MISSION CALVARY C.R.C.

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