

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship Service –Beach Day Streetlight Ministry-The Way
MONDAY		
TUESDAY		3C's Practice
WEDNESDAY	4:00-5:30 pm 5:30 pm 7:30 pm	Mess Prep Mess Worship Practice
THURSDAY		
FRIDAY		
SATURDAY		

GREETERS

Aug. 16	Scott and Linda Fletcher Lena Geleynse
Aug. 23	Benj and Wilma Gesink Kees and Jeany Kaptein



Discover Christ & Grow in Him.

First Christian Reformed Church
Sunday, Aug. 16, 2009

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WORSHIP: SUNDAY, Aug. 16, 2009

**Follow God’s example, therefore, as dearly loved children
And walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us
and gave himself up for us..**

~Eph. 5:1-2a

Good morning! May we experience a time of meaningful worship as we, together, open our hearts and minds to hear a good word from God. If you are visiting us, please join us for a time of coffee and tea after the service. Weather permitting we’ll be outside—but in case of rain, come downstairs to the fellowship hall.

Pastor Pieter returns to the pulpit after some time of relaxation and rest. He will continue our summer exploration of Ephesians. Today’s passage highlights some practical wisdom as we live out the Christian life. But as the last two verses summarize, it’s all about love. So far, Paul has highlighted that God chose us in Christ, breaking down the walls of hostility between us and himself and between each other. In his prayer to the Ephesians, we bask in the glorious love that God has for us—rooting ourselves in that love as our primary identity. So, it’s not surprising that this passage brings us back to love once again. As we are rooted in God’s love, so that love will flow out of the practices and behaviours in our own lives. In this way, people will witness the love of God active and alive in us.

Come back tonight for “The Way” service at 5:00 pm. The Way is an alternative style service in partnership with Streetlight Ministries.

Pastor Willemina is on vacation and will be back in the office on Thursday.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Aug. 23	10:00 am	Pastor Pieter
	5:00 pm	Streetlight Ministry/The Way
Aug. 30:	10:00 am	Pastor Willemina
	5:00 pm	Streetlight Ministry/The Way

YOUTH

Youth Grades 9 – 12

- Happy Summer!

CD’s

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Offering:

Aug. 16: Tuition Assistance Fund

The Tuition Assistance Fund provides financial aid to members of the London chapter of the London Christian School Society, who have demonstrated legitimate financial need. Please support Christian education with your donations to this fund.

Aug. 23: Ark Aid

The work and ministry of the Ark Aid Street Mission is dedicated to helping anyone in their time of need, regardless of colour, race or creed. They provide holistic services and strive to meet the physical, spiritual, mental, emotional and social needs of each individual. Ark Aid serves meals among the street level people of London at their location on Dundas Street with the support of many volunteers and financial donations. Help them bring dignity to the disadvantaged.

SMALL GROUPS

Common Ground:

Have you just graduated from high school? Are you a student at Western or Fanshawe? A working “twentysomething” looking for a place to connect?

As you wind down from the summer and gear up for the fall, mark **Sept. 13** as the **Common Ground BBQ kick-off**. Know anyone coming to London for school or work—please pass on the invitation. For more info, contact Pastor Willemina at raham@skynet.ca

Church Picnic:

Mark your calendars for the church picnic on Sept. 20th after church.

Fall Small Groups

Even though it now feels like summer, fall is not far behind. And with it, a new season of small groups. So, if you’re willing to lead a small group—whether bible study, book discussion, walking, biking, woodworking—you name it—please contact Pastor Willemina at raham@skynet.ca or 519-432-7997.

Christ Centered Yoga:

After much demand, Christ Centered Yoga is BACK!

When: Saturday, September 12th

Where: Fellowship Hall

Time: 8:30 am. to 9:40 am.

What to bring: Yoga mat, bottle water, Bible and a friend!

Who? Everyone!

Questions? Call or email Linda Fletcher @ slfletcher@sympatico.ca or 519-473-2362

(Please let Linda know if you would like to sign up. It will be in the Small Group handbook)

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS AND NEWCOMERS

We hope that you will feel at home among us. We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card, located in the pews, so that we can get to know you and meet your needs. Join us for refreshments in the downstairs Fellowship Hall, following the worship service. Our nursery, open to newborns through 2 year olds, is located at the far west end of the church basement. Children, age 3 to age 6, are dismissed as indicated in the order of service to Church School classes held in the upper and lower west sections of the church. (Children need to be picked up at their classroom.) Browse our Information Desk downstairs for information on our church, parking, our Alpha program, Small Groups, as well as other ministries and classes available to you. Hearing assistance devices are available from the sound booth before the service. If you have any questions, feel free to ask any member of the congregation or a pastor. May you be blessed here today.

CHURCH FAMILY

Pray for:

- **Abeta DeKoker** who is still undergoing chemotherapy.
- **John and Sandra Elsinga** are in Cedar Rapids, Iowa till August 29 as part of a reconstruction team with Disaster Relief Services. Please send them a note of encouragement: John & Sandra Elsinga
CRWRC/DRS
816 E. Ave NW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52405 USA
- **Melissa Flynn** as the dental surgeon will remove four wisdom teeth and a molar on Thurs. August 13th, as well as a procedure on a sixth tooth.

New Email Address for **Bill and Cheryl Mennill**: cyberwolf96@live.com
wbgesink@rogers.com

Birthday Greetings to: **Herman VanDyke** (Aug. 19), **Nick Baratta** (Aug. 20) and **Fenny VanDaalen** (Aug. 22) who celebrate their birthdays this week. God Bless.

Please notify the office with any pastoral care concerns.

CHURCH NEWS

Weekly Giving Announcement

Last Week Actual:	\$7,050.00
Budget Year to date required:	\$261,488.00
Year to date actual received:	\$232,788.00
Year to date giving deficiency:	\$28,700.00
Cause of the Day: Deacons:	\$1,104.85

Financial – Local Ministries

"Please keep our local ministries in mind as we approach the summer months when many of us tend to travel. We are currently at less than the budget we passed for 2009 in the budget requirements year to date figure. Please help us out in our commitment to our local ministries."

Beach Day- Today

Join your First CRC friends on today after church at The Pinery Provincial Park (day use area #5) for some "fun in the sun"! Pack a picnic lunch and come out for an informal get-together of fun and fellowship. Contact Brenda Hiemstra at brendahiemstra@hotmail.com if you'd like more information.

14th Annual Redeemer University College Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament

Saturday, August 29, Knollwood Golf Club 914 Book Rd., Ancaster, 8:00 am. shotgun start - 1:30 pm. lunch. \$75 registration includes 18 holes of golf, power cart, and lunch. Proceeds to the Redeemer Alumni Association Student Awards Program. Register online at redeemer.ca/alumni or contact the Alumni Office for a registration form: email alumnioffice@redeemer.ca 905-648-2139 x4233 toll free 877-779-0913 x4233

Reclaim

Please reclaim the tools that you lent to SERVE in July. These items are on the table in front of the Information Desk downstairs, in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks for lending them to the Serveants to use.

CHURCH AND OTHER EVENTS

FOR CHILDREN AGES 3 TO 6 (born 2003 - 2006) church school is available throughout the summer, led by parent-teachers. Children will leave for their classes part-way through the worship service, when noted in the liturgy. They will remain in their classrooms until a caregiver picks them up.

FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES 2 - 8: A variety of Sunday school papers is available, in addition to the children's bulletin, on the registers as you enter the sanctuary this summer. (They're labelled Grades 2-4 and Grades 4-8). Help yourself, and please return the markers as you leave at the end of the service.

ARE YOU LISTENING? Do you hear God's whisper? Or maybe He is shouting out to you? Please listen to Him. I have been praying that God will bring women leaders forward for the GEMS Girls' Club ministry at First CRC. Maybe God is calling you? Maybe God has given you the name of someone else. Please listen to Him who knows far more than you or I will ever know. Please talk with me about God's nudge, or maybe His push, for you or someone you know to become a GEMS leader. Sharon Flynn 519-453-0315

Apartment for Rent: a one bedroom apartment at 101 Kent Street will be available for rent on September 01, 2009. This well-maintained building is located directly north of the church and owned by First CRC. Rent is \$560 per month, plus electricity. Contact Roy Dias at 519-434-1119, 519-520-3285, or roy_dias@mac.com.

Senior's Day: All Senior's are invited to a SENIOR'S DAY at Lakewood Christian Campground on Thurs. August 20. Coffee will be ready at 9:00 a.m. The speaker for the day will be Pastor Kevin Mahon, with the MC being Pastor

Warren Kimball. Bring your own lunch and lawn chairs. Refreshments provided. Come out for a day of fun and fellowship! Cost is \$6.00. Call Lakewood at 519-899-4415 for more information.

Dutch Hymn Sing: The fourth annual Dutch Hymn Sing is planned for Wed. August 26th at 2 p.m. at Westmount CRC, 405 Drury Lane, Strathroy. If you love the hymns and psalms you learned in your youth, please come as we sing praise to God in the Dutch language.