

March Newsletter

CHATHAM CHRISTIAN SCHOOL TURNS 60!

Everyone is invited to come out and celebrate 60 years of Christian education with a night full of food, fun, and fellowship on Friday, April 7! Our worship leader is Brooke Nicholls, and the speaker will be Ray Hendriks. The evening begins at 6:00pm with punch, dinner at 6:30pm.

Call the office today at 519-352-4980 to reserve your seat! Or book a table with friends!

The dinner is free! Donations will be taken for TAF (Tuition Assistance Fund), and tax receipts are given for gifts of \$30 or more.

"THE CITY HARMONIC" BENEDICTION TOUR

Location: Trinity Christian Reformed Church, 245 Mill Rd, Goderich

Date: Thursday, April 27th

Time: 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm (doors open at 6:30 pm)

Price: \$20 + Processing Fee + HST

Ticket Sales: <http://www.uniteproductions.ca/iwe-event/the-city-harmonic-goderich/>

This contemporary band has won Covenant Awards for New Artist of the Year, Praise and Worship Song of the Year and Group of the Year, as well as a Juno Award for the 2013 Christian Contemporary Gospel Album of the Year. Come out and join us for this exciting Christian event!

MARCH MADNESS SALE ON GETTY CONCERT TICKETS

Want to see Keith and Kristyn Getty in concert at First Ontario Concert Hall on April 27? Take advantage of discounted ticket rates from March 8 – March 22. Save \$10 on the last 2 rows of seats in each section. Also, all Students receive a \$5 discount! To purchase tickets, call 905.516.9404 or email gettyconcert2017@gmail.com Proceeds support EduDeo Ministries and Campfire! Bible Camp

DUNAMIS FELLOWSHIP

Sounding the Shofar: Praying in the Kingdom of God. This will be a day of Fellowship, equipping and prayer. It will be held on April 1, 2017 at the Guelph Bible Conference in Guelph. Ignite: This event is designed to expand your understanding of the person and work of the Holy Spirit. It will be held at Destination Church in St Thomas, Ontario on Friday April 7 & Saturday April 8. These events are sponsored by Dunamis Fellowship Canada. For more information and to register, visit: www.dunamisfellowshipcanada.org

GRIT AND GRACE CONFERENCE

Grit and Grace Conference: Saturday, April 1, 2017, 9:00am - 3:30pm at Redeemer University College, in Ancaster. All women are invited for a day of inspiration, worship and fellowship, with the theme of Life's Great Dare... I will see the goodness of the Lord. Psalm 27:13 Speaker, Christa Hesselink. Come and be refreshed and renewed; bring your friends! For more information, and to register on-line go to www.gritandgraceconference.ca or contact Marian Lensink: mlensink@crcna.org if you have questions.

INSPIRE 2017 – DON'T DELAY, REGISTER TODAY!

Time is running out to qualify for the early bird registration rates for this summer's Inspire 2017 event. Join Ann Voskamp, Richard Mouw, and men and women of all ages from 1,000+ CRC congregations for an unforgettable three days in Detroit, Michigan from August 3-5. You will be fed through great worship, challenged by keynote speakers, equipped through workshops, and connected to others – like you - who are inspired to serve God in their local church. Register at www.crcna.org/Inspire2017 Rates go up April 1.

WESTERN CAMPUS MINISTRY COFFEEHOUSE

The students who make our Western campus ministry their home-away-from-home are really hoping you're going to join us at our campus ministry reception in two weeks. Join us on Friday, March 31, starting at 7pm at London Bethel CRC. Live music, coffee, and dessert will welcome you. You'll be encouraged and inspired by student stories from the past year as well as hopes and dreams for next year. I'm confident you'll kick yourself if you miss it!" ~Mike Wagenman, Western University campus minister

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NEW INTERGENERATIONAL CHURCH TOOLKIT

Wondering what an intergenerational small group looks like? Meet 8 of them under the Learning and Growing tab of this new toolkit. Small group ideas and many other resources have been selected and designed by Faith Formation Ministries to encourage and equip congregations to cultivate a culture in which faith in God is nurtured and relationships are fostered as all ages learn and grow, serve, and worship together. In the toolkit you will find informative webinars, foundational books, practical ideas, and more. Find our new toolkit at www.crcna.org/FaithFormation/Toolkits

DISCOVERY TOURS

Are you interested in a 7--10 day authentic cultural experience? World Renew is looking for compassionate, respectful, and adaptable individuals to take part in an international Discovery Tour. Learn about the deep history and traditions that define the life of the local community and engage in the work of World Renew. You will build relationships with World Renew staff and local communities and discover how they are working to build God's kingdom in their context. Find out more at globalvolunteer@worldrenew.net or call Iona at 800-730-3490 in Canada.

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.

A NEW FAMILY

In his second word from the cross Jesus shows deep compassion for his mother. Join our Groundwork conversation on John 19:23-27 to discover what Jesus' great concern for his family shows us about his humanity, and uncover the profound theological implications that arise from this earthly concern. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

FOCUS ON THE CROSS

"So, what are you giving up for Lent?" Has anybody ever ask you that question? Lent does involve self-denial, but it's much more. It's a season to focus on the hope of Jesus Christ. Receive a free Today Devotional series to help you refresh, refocus, and renew your faith during Lent. Subscribe at www.todaydevotional.com/lent

SINFUL SATURDAY

We know when we sin. The problem is we do it anyway. On this week's KC one sin leads to another, and quickly these adventures turn to nightmares. As always, little sins grow. Subscribe for free at getkidscorner.com. As you and your family prepare for Easter, download the family Lent devotional available at www.kidscorner.net

AVAILABLE FREE IN THE DIGITAL LIBRARY

"Through Tears to Joy" Devotions for Lent" is available free to all in the CRC through the Digital Library www.crcna.org/Library This collection of devotions reflects on the meaning of Jesus' suffering and the meaning of suffering in the world.