



YOUTH NEWS

Senior Youth— Meet at Anthony's house at 7:00 pm on Tuesday to discuss gluttony

Junior Youth— Meet at the church on Thursday at 7:00 pm

YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adults Enjoy your May long weekend. Watch for info on the upcoming BBQ.

Fraser Valley College & Careers (and graduating grade 12s) from Chilliwack to Vancouver: You're all invited to the 2nd annual Summer Softball and BBQ at Unity Christian School, 9800 McNaught Road Chilliwack. June 14, 2009. BBQ is at 12:30 and softball games begin at 2:00 pm. Cost including the lunch is \$5.00.



Trouble Comes to Town Spike's new hero seems to enjoy making trouble for others. On this week's Kids Corner, come help Spike figure out what to do before it's too late. Then check out the Kids Corner website at www.kids-corner.org for stories, devotions, puzzles and more.

Cascade Family Bible Camp Invest in your family this summer! Register now for Cascade Family Bible Camp, held July 9-13 at Warm Beach Camp near Stanwood, Washington. This year's keynote speaker is Gary Thomas, a Northwest best selling author who will engage your mind and soul. Registration forms are available on the table in the hallway or at www.cascadefamily.org.

WELCOME TO GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH

May 17, 2009

Helping people to love and serve Jesus

We extend a warm welcome to all who have come to worship with us today. Whether you are a member or a guest, whether you come as a family or by yourself, please know that we are a church family that celebrates God's grace in Christ Jesus and desires to embrace all who come, just as you are, and whoever you are.

We invite everyone to join us for coffee and fellowship following the service. If you have trouble reading the words on the screen, the ushers will gladly provide you with song sheets and Bibles at your request. If you have any questions about our church or anything you would like us to pray for, please feel free to talk to one of our pastors or greeters. If you'd like a copy of today's worship service, please contact the church office.

Bringing a gift to God is a regular part of our worship. If you are a guest here, we want you to know that although you are welcome to contribute to the morning's offering, as our guest you are not expected to do so. We're just glad you came, and hope you'll be blessed by your presence here.

Worship Services

Today is Ascension Sunday; we remember the end of Jesus' physical presence on earth and the beginning of his rule from heaven until his coming again, and we reflect on what this means for us today. The service will be led by **Pastor Slofstra**.

Next Sunday the service will be led by **Pastor Slofstra**; new elders and deacons will be selected and ordained.

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Church Family:

John Kampman remains at Worthington Pavilion; his physical health is improved, though regaining the ability to walk continues to be a difficult and uncertain process. **Fred Faber** remains at ARH but his condition continues to improve, and he's slowly beginning to walk again. **John Bergsma** (our oldest member) remains at ARH until a place becomes available at Menno where he can receive 24 hour care. Both **Alida Kampman** (last Sunday) and **Jenny Faber** (Wednesday) came home from hospital this past week.

We express our Christian sympathy to the family of **Stien Kraal**. A long time member of our church family who for the past several years suffered from dementia and whose husband Jake recently passed away, Stien died this past Tuesday, at the age of 90, and entered the presence of her Saviour and Lord. A memorial service for Stien will be held at Trinity CRC this week Tuesday, at 1:00 p.m., with Pastor Slofstra officiating.

Thank you for your cards and words of encouragement in the recent death of our brother Henry Jansen. The Jansen families.

Received the following gifts on May 10, 2009:

Budget envelopes	\$10,955.00	Benevolent fund	\$ 1,542.50
Building Fund	\$11,525.00		
CRWRC Operation Manna	\$ 50.00		

Attention Seniors: We have a low key meeting planned for Thursday May 21. We'll watch a DVD and catch up on the latest news. Coffee is ready at 10 See you all there.

Profession of Faith: Our next class is Wednesday, May 27. Those interested in professing their faith and becoming a member of Gateway Community CRC but weren't at the first class last week please contact Anthony

Weekly Calendar:

Today 9:45 am Prayer in Room 107
10:00 am Morning service

Tuesday, May 19

7:00 pm Senior Youth
8:00 pm Board of Stewards

Wednesday, May 20

7:00 pm Friendship
7:00 pm Praise Team practice
7:30 pm Pastoral Elders meet

Thursday, May 21

10:00 am Seniors get together
7:00 pm Junior Youth



New entry doors will be going in next week. Please contact Ed Vos at 604-855-2421 after the holiday during the day, during the week to trade in your old keys for new ones.

Criminal Record Checks

We have received no reply from the mayor's office with respect to the possibility of waiving fees, so we need to proceed on the assumption that this will not happen. It is thus **very important** that each person 19 years of age or over who is or will be involved in any ministry or capacity in our church with youths 18 years of age or under get their criminal record checks done as soon as possible. To do so, go to the police station with two pieces of ID (one picture ID), it only takes a few minutes. We ask that you do this in the next couple of weeks, as our insurance carrier is insisting that we take care of this matter in a timely manner. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Pastor Slofstra (best by e-mail: dbslof@telus.net). Thank you!

Christian Reformed World Missions "Compelled by His Spirit" Pentecost devotional. Prepare your heart for Pentecost with a daily email devotional, Sunday May 24th through Pentecost Sunday, May 31st. Sign up on-line at www.crwmm.org/membership.

servicing each other

Greeters

This week morning:

Burger & Catharine Valk

Next week morning:

Lloyd & Jeannetta Dykstra

Ushers

This week:

Tracey, Kevan, Pat, Willy
Roy, Darren

Next week:

Nathan, Anthony, Dave, Tim
Jacob, Ray, Matt

Nursery

Parents of Month: Mike & Rebecca

This morning:

Adam & Jenine, Cynthia D,
Leona P, Hilda C, Jennifer S,
Mikaela K

Next week morning:

Chris & Juanita, Alice G, Marian V
Juwa, Leslie A

Collecting Deacons

Today: Henk & Darren

Next week: Ted & Syd

Offering Schedule

May 17—FV Christian Center

May 24—Tuition Relief

May 31—The Well (Kelowna)

Coffee

This Sunday - Dave & Margaret

Next Sunday - Judy & Betty Lou

Library

This Sunday - Johanna, Helena

Next Sunday - Ana, Julia



Amazing Race VI

This year's Amazing Race will hopefully take place on June 20. So get your teams ready and book off work. All those interested in helping plan and do the race contact Anthony ASAP.

Church picnic: We (Admin Board) are looking for volunteers – individuals or a care group(s) – who would be willing to organize a church picnic for a Sunday after worship some time in early or mid September. If this is something you'd like to be involved with, please notify our clerk Andy Vanderheide or any other member of our Admin Board. Thank you!

Disability Concerns: This summer's issue of Breaking Barriers, our quarterly resource of stories and information, will be available online only. This issue will feature articles on disability and disaster preparedness. To subscribe, please visit our website at www.crcna.org/disability.

Are you able to “Lend a Hand”? Bethesda's campaign is underway and we invite you to partner with us in this ministry. A self addressed envelope is in your mailbox or simply return your gift in the envelope to Nicky Vanderwal's mailbox. Your gift will help to offer families in-home support, funding assistance with special equipment and respite care, summer camp programs, housing and so much more. Membership is \$10/family or \$5/single. All membership fees and donations are tax deductible. Your Church Coordinator is Nicky Vanderwal, phone # 604-823-2455.

King's University College This spring we ask that you consider the mission of **The King's UC** as a cause you choose to support. Annual donations are important. To contribute to the 2009 Spring Campaign, please send your gift using the form that came with your information package. If you have not received Spring Campaign information in the mail, additional copies are available at the back of the church. Please feel free to take one if you are interested. Contact Shannon at 780-465-8314 or development@kingsu.ca with comments or questions. Thank you for supporting Christian education at King's!

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Lighting of the Christ candle
Welcome
Opening song **I Will Worship**
Opening sentences
God's greeting

Songs of praise:

Glory, Honor, Power
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We Fall Down/Holy, Holy, Holy

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Ascension Day reading
All sing: **All Heaven Declares**
Children's message

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

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Message: **Star Wars—Why the Force is So Angry**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Song of response 469 **A Mighty Fortress**
Congregational prayer
Offering for the Fraser Valley Christian Center

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God's parting blessing
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