

*AVCRC exists to reach people, bringing them to a loving relationship with Jesus and membership in the Christian Community; helping them to grow in their faith, guiding them to serve in their gifted ministry, and honouring God with their lives.*



**Sunday February 17, 2019**

**Welcome to this time of worship.**

**Songs:** "All Creatures of our God and King"  
"Hallelujah/Alive, Alive for Evermore"

**Confession/Assurance**

**Song:** "Joyful Joyful We Adore You"

**Offering:** ( Budget ) "Draw me close to You"

**Scripture Readings:** **Jeremiah 17:5-10** ( pg. 751 )  
**Psalms 1** ( pg. 527 )  
**1 Corinthians 15:12-20** ( pg. 1116 )  
**Luke 6:17 -26** ( pg. 998 )

**Sermon:** "The Upside Down Kingdom"

**Blessing**

**Song:** "Praise God from whom all Blessings Flow"

## **Please Keep These Matters in your Prayers:**

- On March 23, the church council is going on a field trip to The Tapestry Church in Richmond. This is a CRC that is healthy and imaginative and growing. We're going there to watch and ask questions and listen for directions that God might ask us to stretch.

- Pray that our church will always be a safe place. Pray that measures we take to prevent abuse will be effective. Pray that the gentle love of Jesus will touch all who come near.

- Soon the new shelter 8th and Maitland will open. Pray that a good home will be a place to many to build a stable, healthy life.

## **SPILLED INK**

Apart from a Sunday morning sermon, can you name 2 places where people sit quietly, without moving and listen to one person speak for 20 or 30 minutes?

Our attention span is shrinking and listening to a sermon gets harder in a world where stimuli that comes at us changes constantly. Preaching in church is not going to vanish, but are there ways we can help one another engage? What if I asked a question at a suitable point in a message and expected an answer? Or what if we read the preaching text and paused for a moment and told someone next to us about a question that came up while reading that text? I heard of a church where people were encourage to text the pastor during a sermon with any thought or question that might arise (personally, I have a hard enough time just preaching; there ought to be laws against preaching and texting).

At a worship committee meeting last week we talked about these and many other possibilities. Don't be too surprised if something a little unusual appears one morning. Please join the experiment. Let's talk together about what helps us fully engage with what God has for us each morning.

Let's start with this: talk with someone over a coffee after church about how the worship service changed your mind in ways that help you to think more in line with the lessons in God's word?

**Congratulations Jon and Ella K on the birth of a boy, Lewis Anders**



## Safe Church

We expect that our church will be a safe place. We know our volunteers and we have good policies in place. We will also be ever vigilant, ensuring that we take every step we can to ensure that the church remains safe.

*On **March 10**, right after church in the youth room, there will be a mandatory meeting for all who work with children and youth.*

This is not a hoop through which we must jump, this is an act of service to God and to all who are vulnerable.

Weekly calendar: ( **Check the website for updates** )

**Monday: 7:00pm We ♥ PA planning meeting**

**Wednesday: 10:00 am Coffee Break/Ladies Bible Study**

**Wednesday: 6:45 - 8:00pm Youth Bible Study**

**Thursday: 6:00pm Council Meeting**



**Advance Notice:**

**Sunday, March 10 after the morning worship, Safe Church meeting for all who work with children and youth.**



**CRCNA Survey** - If you haven't already done it, please take about 20 minutes to complete the denomination survey found at [www.crcna.org/survey](http://www.crcna.org/survey). Information gathered helps assess ministry and along with careful prayer, the survey helps discern where we can best put our people, resources and energy. The **deadline is February 28**. *If you want a paper copy to complete the survey, please talk to Curtis*

**Charitable Tax receipts are ready - check your church mailbox.**



**Save the Date** - Church Camp at the Rathrevor Group site this year will be on **July 28 - August 5, 2019**.

Hope to see you there. Any questions - ask **Helle C**

## ***Do you have Children? ...***

***Nursery ...*** is provided during the Service for your babies and toddlers. Feel free to drop your children off before the Service starts.



**Sunday School ...** Pastor Curtis will let you know during the Service when the children can leave.

All our Volunteers are genuinely caring; have passed RCMP Background Checks; and, are well known by our Leadership.

## **Is this your first time Worshipping with us?**

*Welcome!* Please join us for Coffee (downstairs) following the Service. We would love to get to know you 😊

There is an Info Card found in your pew seat. Feel free to fill it out and drop it in the Collection Bag. This will help us to keep in touch with you.

<b><u>OFFERING SCHEDULE</u></b>	<b><u>COUNTER</u></b>	<b><u>HELPERS</u></b>
February 17 – Budget	Erin K	Renger D and Margrit D
February 24 – Social Justice	John R	John K & Elaine V
March 3 – Food Grains	Patty T	Kim M & Lois L
March 10 – Budget	Pete B	Rinnie H & Roy K
March 17 – Calvin Seminary	Erin K	Art & Alsie S
March 24 – Budget	John R	Bert & Pat B
March 31 – Guatemala	Patty T	Renger D & Margrit D

**GREETERS****NURSERY**

February 17

Alice C &amp; Jane D

Kim M, Alsie S, Megan V

February 24

Bert &amp; Pat B

Erin K, Yvonne C, Sarah V

March 3

Bert &amp; Pat B

Eileen D, Helle C, Levi M

March 10

Bev &amp; Brian H

Jill V, Roy K, Megan V

March 17

Bev &amp; Brian H

Pam S, Pat B, Ezra M

March 24

Alice &amp; Theo V

Carol D, Anita B, Sarah V

March 31

Alice &amp; Theo V

Jessica O, Erin K, Curtis G

**COFFEE MAKERS****LIBRARIAN****SECURITY**

February 17

Johan &amp; Annemarie S (for B+J)

Alice V

Jake C

February 24

Roy &amp; Joanne K

Margrit D

Jake C

March 3

Johan &amp; Annemarie S

Bev H

Pete B

March 10

Harry &amp; Marjie A

Joan W

Pete B

March 17

Jake &amp; Mitzie C

Anita B

Pete B

March 24

Colin &amp; Aliza B

Alice V

Pete B

March 31

Izak &amp; Ezit N

Margrit D

Pete B

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