

Greeters:

Aug 11: Steve & Janelle Bandstra
Aug 18: Nick & Ashley Duursma

Nursery Attendants: (Contact person: Jenn K & Jocelyn V)

Aug 11: AM Jenn K, Jolene M, Josie Z, Alayna H
PM Jess C, Alana B, Winette M
Aug 18: AM: Jodi L, Erica A, Marian A, Jenna M
PM Kerri P, Janelle B, Andrea A

Sunday School (contact person: Jolene M)

Sunday school will begin in the fall

Library Attendant: (contact person: Thea E.)

Aug 11: Chris B Aug 18: Alayna H

Janitor for the Church:

Aug 12-Aug 17: Brenda E, Carol W.
Aug 19-Aug 24: Danielle H, Steph H

Coffee Service:

Aug 11: Tim & Jess Culleton, Seth & Jocelyn Van Veen
Aug 18: Harry & Clara Hofsink, Carol Wright
Aug 25: Ed & Brenda Ewald, Marvin & Josie Zandberg

Please find your own replacement if you cannot make your turn

Church Bookings: If you would like to book the church for an event please contact Jessica Koldyk @ [250-846-6000](tel:250-846-6000).

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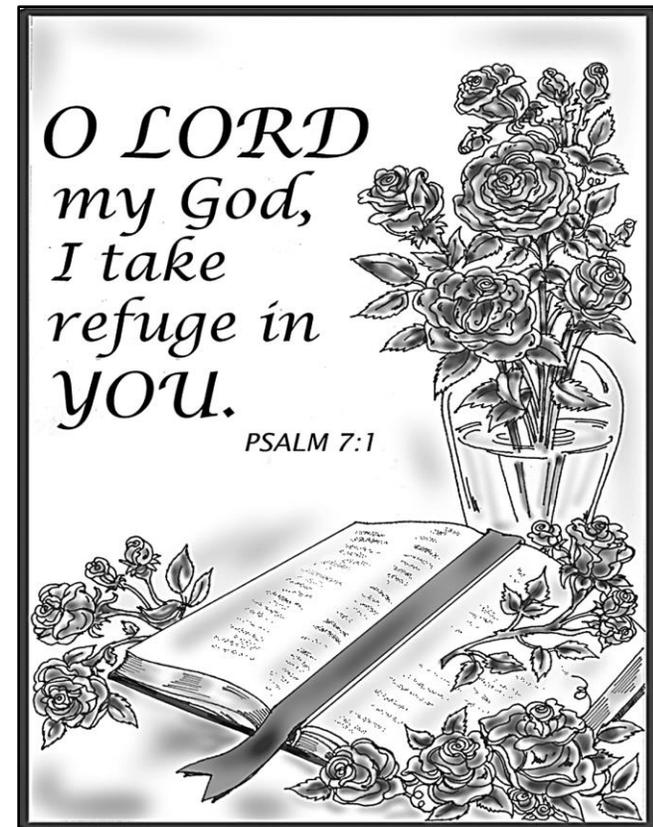
Rev. Simon Lievaart

Services: 10:00 AM & 2:30 PM

Church Website: bethelsmithers.ca



August 11, 2019



Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today!
Please join us for coffee & refreshments and fellowship
after the morning service

Order of Worship:

August 11, 2019 -- 10:00 AM – Rev. Carl Van Dam

Gathering for Worship

- * Call to Worship Ps 95:1-3
- * Silent Prayer followed by musical response
- * Votum: Declaration of dependence on God
- * Salutation (The Lord's Greeting)
- * Opening Song: # 93 "The Lord Reigns over All"

Affirming God's Law

Law of God: Exodus 20:1-17

Response Song: # 103A "Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Preparing to Hear God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

Preparation Song: # 150A "Hallelujah! Praise the Lord"

Listening to God's Word

Scripture Reading: Psalm 29

Text: Same

Sermon: Praise the Lord for His Glory

1. his powerful voice
2. his rule over creation
3. his blessing of peace

Responding in Faith

* Song of Response: # 29B "Now unto the Lord, All You Sons"

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Redemption Prison Ministry

Continuing our Calling

- * Closing Song # 227 "How Great Thou Art"
- * Benediction (God's Blessing)
- * Doxology: 568 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Musical Accompanist: Roxi Dykstra

Order of Worship:

August 11, 2019 -- 2:30 PM – Rev. Carl Van Dam

Gathering for Worship

- * Call to Worship: Ps. 135: 1-3
- * Silent Prayer followed by musical response
- * Votum: Declaration of dependence on God
- * Salutation (The Lord's Greeting)
- * Opening Song: # 118A: 1-4 "O Thank the Lord for All His Goodness"

Confessing Our Faith

*Apostle's Creed said in unison (p. 149)

*Song of Response: # 208 All Glory Be to Thee, Most High"

Preparing to Hear God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

Song of Preparation: # 30 "O Lord, I Will Extol You"

Listening to God's Word

Scripture Reading: John 11:17-44

Text: LD 22

Sermon: Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life. Believers:

1. who have died will live.
2. who live in him will never die.

Responding in Faith

* Response Song: # 118A: 5, 8 "O Thank the Lord for All His Goodness

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Redemption Prison Ministry

Departing to Serve

- * Closing Song: # 473 "By the Sea of Crystal"
- * Benediction (The Lord's Parting Blessing)
- * Doxology: 3 Fold Amen

Musical Accompanist: Cheryl Fennema

*Please stand for these songs if you are able to

Music Festival:

Spirit of the North is proud to present another season of exciting concerts, workshops, and outdoor events in the Bulkley Valley this summer. Once again we bring the north internationally-renowned musicians, chamber music, workshops for children and adults, and symphony concerts to the Bulkley Valley: mark your calendars for August 11-12 in Houston and **August 14-17 in Smithers, BC!**

Concert venues **include Bethel church, Smithers Christian Reformed Church**, and various other venues around Smithers.

Tickets are available for the festival at Speedee Stationary or at the door. **Individual concerts and workshops** are by donation, with \$15 suggested admission for mainstage concerts and \$5-\$10 for other events. Visit festivalnorth.com for all details. Help yourself to the schedules on the table in the fellowship hall.

Save the date September 27, 2019 for ARPA Canada's 2019 fall tour!



As we prepare for another federal election we see that our political and cultural leaders increasingly want to identify as "progressive." God's good design for humanity and creation is seen as regressive and a political liability. But who decides what is progress? And what role do Christians have in such a climate? Join us on **September 27, 2019 at Bethel United Reformed Church** in Smithers, as we share updates about new court cases that are challenging the God-given role of parents and our freedom to express the truth about sexuality. There will be special focus on current provincial laws and opportunities to be aware of. The event begins at 7:00 p.m. with refreshments and coffee. For more information, email Elyse Vroom at elyse@arpacanada.ca.

Rough Acres Bible Camp

Good morning everyone! We are nearing the end of our summer, but are still have a few needs. Please help out where you can:
Jr Coed Aug 18-23 - Head Cook, Assistant Cook, 2 Support Staff, Babysitters.
We are also in need of about 24 more glass jars.
Please continue to pray for all our staff and campers as we head into the last couple of weeks of camp .Robyn Johnson Executive Director

Short Term Missions Support:

D.V. on September 21st I will be flying out to Dakar, Senegal to serve with Mercy Ships for 3 months! Mercy ships is a Christian organization that seeks to deliver free, high quality medical services in developing nations- no strings attached. I will be working as a dental assistant, and will be treating patients and training staff for the fully functioning dental clinic we will leave behind. Mercy Ships is a volunteer organization, and I am asking for your help to make this trip possible - donations can be made online at

<https://Mercyshipscanada.akaraisin.com/mercygiftsfundraising> and clicking on the "register now" button.

Perhaps even more necessary is support in prayer- please pray for the personal strength for me to do this, for the patients in need of care, and for the hundreds of volunteer staff that make this organization possible. In Love and thanks, Abigail Vandenberg

Thea reporting from Haggai International in Maui!

Each week two of us are asked to give a testimony to our own group of volunteers during devotion time. It is such a good exercise to reflect on how God orchestrates our lives so that we can fulfill our calling to serve Him in whatever capacity. It is not something I grew up with but I have certainly appreciated the nudge to do some serious reflection on that. I feel so blessed to be able to serve the Lord here and through that to serve those who come here to learn. I had never heard of Haggai until a couple of years ago by what seemed like a coincidence. But with God nothing is by coincidence. He uses us to serve Him when we respond to His call and I praise Him for that. A big part of my testimony is how blessed I feel by the family and the church God has given me. Best birthday present ever!! Thea Ewald

Church Family:

As the days of summer fly by, we are again privileged to meet together on the Lord's Day. We think of the many Christians who do so in great danger. They know the importance of gathering together and hearing God's Word week to week.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to the Howard Ennis family as this week our friend and brother in Christ, and has passed away into glory at the age of 96 ***Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light***".

We are also saddened by the news of the sudden passing away of Leona Barendregt, a dear and special sister of Clara Hofsink and family. Leona will be greatly missed by many people in the community as well as those who lived with her at Sparrows or spent time with her at High Roads. ***"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."*** ***Psalms 116:15.*** We ask God to surround both these families with His perfect Peace and Comfort during this very difficult time. We are again reminded of the frailty of life and how each day is a gift which the Lord gives.

There are those we keep in prayer at Bethel congregation who have continuing struggles with old age and physical ailments. We pray for especially for Clarence Vanderschaaf as his cancer is ongoing and for Darryl Barendregt as he goes through his cancer treatments. We pray for Hennie Zandberg as she struggles with her ability to move and get out as well as Margie McEwen who is struggling with her eyes and mobility. We pray for all our families as they deal with the busyness of raising children and making a living. We thank God for some sunny weather for the haying that is still in the process of being done.

With many of the congregation members coming and going in the days of summer, we pray for safety on the roads. We are thankful that Rev. Lievaart was able to spend the week giving speeches at the Summit Youth conference and that the young people there had a wonderful and memorable time there.

We welcome to the pulpit today, Rev. Carl VanDam from the Houston Canadian Reformed Church. May we all have a Blessed day in God's House today and we can say: It's always wonderful when everyone is home and together in church! -D.A.

"Sing to the Lord a new song, sing to the Lord all the earth" Ps 96:1

Preaching Schedule:

Aug 11: Rev. Van Dam
Aug 18: Rev. Lievaart
Aug 25: Rev. Lievaart

Church Calendar:

Aug 14-17: Classic Music Festival (spirit of the north) see bulletin board
Aug 14: Council followed by Consistory (Wednesday)

Collection Schedule:

Aug 11: Redemption Prison Ministry A Canadian prison ministry providing Bible correspondence classes, reintegration support, assorted inmate services and assistance to chaplains. The executive of R.P.M. is pleased to report that they have added another Prison Pastor to their staff to support outreach efforts within the prison population in Western Canada, particularly the Fraser Valley. Pastor Marty Slingerland is already working in BC and it is requested to keep him in your prayers as he carries forth the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Aug 18: Rev. Persaud

United in Prayer: Up-to-date Requests from our Missionaries.

Pastor Pablo Landazurri is a church-planter in Quito, Ecuador.

1. Pray for the Lord to provide for more Ministers to bring the Word in Ecuador.
2. Pray for the Lord to give us wisdom to choose the best place to plant a new church.

Give thanks for spiritual and numerical growth in the church.

Collections received for the month of July:

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| July 7 | Word & Deed | \$1096.35 |
| July 14 | Rev, Zekveld | \$637.12 |
| July 21 | Rev. Green | \$529.20 |
| July 28 | Signal Hill | \$637.50 |
| July | Budget | \$8784.33 |