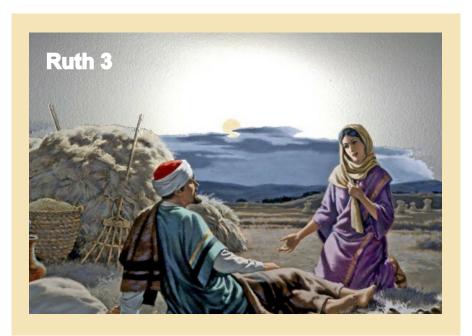


# Duncan Christian Reformed Church

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## Worship Service Sunday, November 12

Pastor Kevin will bring the Message, "The Rare Beauty of Ruth", from Ruth 3:1-18.

The Offering is for Church Ministries and (Duncan Christian School). duncanchristianschool.ca

# Next Sunday, November 19

DUNCAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Building on Faith, Family & Community

The Offering next Sunday is for Church Ministries and (the Deacon Fund).

# **Church Family**

Frank G has learned from the brain oncologist this week that the best option for treating his brain cancer is surgery followed up by 5 day radiation treatment. This news was what he and Margaret had prayed for. The surgery could possibly take place on Nov. 21 at Vic General Hospital. Your continued thoughts and prayers are very much appreciated.

# Council Report Monday, November 6, 2023

Council met this past week to continue our work together, and we began our time by spending time in prayer for our church family and for each other. Through our time of reflection and prayer, it became clear that there are many concerns in our church family at this time. There are families struggling with grief and loss, there are members of the church family undergoing treatments of different kinds, there are families that are navigating relational stresses and challenges, and there are members overwhelmed by the busyness of this fall season. As we prayed together, we were reminded of the power of prayer and the goodness of being in prayer for each other. Alongside all of the challenges that we are navigating, it is clear that there are many exciting things happening as well. We celebrate how God is at work in our different ministries, and we also celebrate new individuals and families coming to worship and participating in the life of our church family. It is clear that God is at work.

We continue to be hopeful as we anticipate all that God will do in and through our ministry here at Duncan Christian Reformed Church. At our meeting we —

1. Reflected on our retreat, and council expressed a desire to have another retreat in the future to learn and to rest together.

2. Discussed our fall congregational meeting, and we spent some time planning to ensure that our meeting will be meaningful.

3. We continued our discussion of our treasurer position and how our finances are being managed moving forward.

4. We discussed the process of updating our photo directory and the excitement of adding new members.

5. Heard reports and received updates from each of the ministry teams as programs as they have been meeting regularly.

As a leadership team, we are excited about the ways that God is at work in our church family and about the opportunities that we have to build the kingdom of God in Duncan. We celebrate with Pastor Dan as he begins working with us as a Commissioned Pastor, and we are look forward to the ways that our ministry will be blessed through him. Please pray for Council as we do our work together. If you have any questions regarding our work, please do not hesitate to find someone from Council to have a conversation.

Pastor Kevin VanderVeen

# Information for You

#### In the Mailslots and on the Welcome Desk this Week

- 1. For those that have mailslots, check to see if your Church donation receipts are there. The rest have been given out or mailed. See a Deacon if you have not received yours.
- 2. The Congregational Meeting handouts for Monday, December 4 are in the mailslots and on the Welcome Desk.
- 3. World Renew 2023/2024 Gift Catalogues are in the mailslots and on the Welcome Desk. World Renew helps those who live in hunger, poverty and in disaster areas around the world.
- 4. The Banner, the monthly magazine from the Christian Reformed Church are in the mailslots and on the Welcome Desk.

#### There are Sign up Sheets at the Welcome Desk for:

- 1. November 20 Seniors Lunch at the Shipyard
- 2. December 4 Congregational Meeting Dinner (the sign up is just for the dinner part)
- 3. Catechism sign up

#### Also on the Welcome Desk:

- 1. Photo Directory cards to fill in for Church Members and Regular Attendees so we have your current information when we print the Directory.
- 2. Connection Cards for new attendees fill out your phone numbers and addresses, etc.
- 3. The Today Devotionals from ReFrame Ministries for November and December. ReFrame is the Media Ministry of the Christian Reformed Church.
- 4. Children's bulletins

#### In the Foyer:

New and gently used winter clothing are being collected in the church foyer for children, youth, and adults facing adversity and/or living without shelter in our community. Talk to Lori

# **New Photo Directory**

Starting this Sunday and for the rest of the Sunday's in November, we will start photographing church members and regular attendees in the Foyer.

Tangerene J and Katie V will take your photo before and after the Service. Just show up and stand in line or wait till there is no line-up!

Be sure to fill in the Photo Directory information card too, so we have your up to date information. You can also use the QR code to fill it out electronically. Also, existing high resolution photos can be submitted through the electronic form or by emailing the office at office@duncancrc.org.

When the Directory is ready, we will print a copy for everyone!





# **Church Calendar**

#### This Week:

Sun, Nov 12: Catechism 9 - 9:35 am for Grade 6 and up and those wishing to do Profession of Faith Mon, Nov 13: At 2 pm help Affie with "Meals on the Ground" for the United Church (deliver at 4:30 pm) Tues, Nov 14: Coffee & Crafting in the Fireside Room 10 am - 3 pm Tues, Nov 14: GEMS Wed, Nov 15: "From the Inside Out" Adult Bible Study 7 - 9 pm Thurs, Nov 16: Coffee Break Ladies Bible Study & Nursery 10 - 11:30 am (coffee at 9:30 am) Thurs, Nov 16: Youth Jam 7 pm

#### **Future Dates:**

Sun, Nov 19: Family Skate 1 - 2:20 pm @ The Big Stick. Cost \$5 per person/\$3 to rent skates Mon, Nov 20: Senior's Lunch 11:45 am at the Shipyard in Genoa Bay (sign up at the Welcome Desk) Mon, Nov 20: Elders' Mtg 7 pm

Sat, Nov 25: Community Dinner

Mon, Dec 4: Congregational Mtg 7 pm with dinner together at 6 pm (please sign up for dinner at the Welcome Desk - no sign up needed for the meeting).

August 9 - 13, 2024: Rathtrevor Camping. Talk to Joel or Pastor Dan

## Little Lambs (Nursery/Preschool)

November 12: Carol K, Susan R, Elyssa O November 19: Julianna K, Hannah B, Aliya N

Child care for infants to pre-school is located in the wing to the right of the sanctuary

## **Sunday School**

November 12:

Teacher K-2: Katrina B Helper: Jonas B Teacher 3-5: Michelle B Helper: Jaxen N

Sunday school children are dismissed part way through the service and return during the service.

#### Greeters

November 12: Josie N, Affie D, Fred W, Sandy V, Renee dB

## Hall Monitors

November 12: Fred W November 19: Will B

## **Birthdays this Week**

Sunday, November 12: Ralph T Monday, November 13: Julianna K, Aaron D Tuesday, November 14: Joanne B Wednesday, November 15: Chris C Friday, November 17: Don G

### **Coffee Servers**

November 12: Gerald & Anneke W, Renee dB November 19: John & Affie D

## **Coffee Break Nursery**

Thursday, November 16: Henrietta G, Ida V

## Prayer Chain

If you would like prayer, please call the PRAYER CHAIN Thanks, Anneke W

Hearing assistance is available upon request from the greeters.