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May 15, 2022 GRACE REFORMED CHURCH



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*"Not by might nor by power,
but by my Spirit,"
says the LORD Almighty.
Zechariah 4:6*

10:00 Worship
May 1, 2022 - AM

*God knows what's best for us, what will draw us closer to Him.
No longer following conventional wisdom, we choose our
spouses, our friends, our relationships carefully, seeking to
enhance our relationship with God through them.*

PRE-SERVICE SONGS

- **S 18** *Across the Lands*
- **S 19** *10,000 Reasons*

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship: Psalm 47

Silent Prayer and Response: **PH 489** *Hear Our Prayer*

*God's Greeting: 2 Corinthians 13:14

* **PH 120** *Come, All Ye People, Bless Our God*

THE CALL TO SELF-EXAMINATION

The Law of God

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: 1 Timothy 1:15-17

S 40 *Because He Lives*

WE OFFER HIM OUR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Interfaith Food Bank

* **PH 7** *On the Good and Faithful*

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture Reading: Judges 16:1-22

Sermon: **Samson: Deception**

1. Desire
2. Enticed
3. Sin
4. Death

Applicatory Prayer

* **S 63** *Trust and Obey (When We Walk with the Lord)*

GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*Benediction

* **PH 493** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Invites the Congregation to stand- if you are able

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4:00 Worship
May 1, 2022 - PM

*The kingdom of God is wherever God is, God rules in our
hearts, mind, and will. His kingdom is already established, but
not yet perfect and complete.*

PRE-SERVICE SONGS

- **S 22** *Living Hope*
- **S 44** *O Church Arise*

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship: Psalm 118:1-4, 22-24, 29

Silent Prayer and Response: **PH 489** *Hear Our Prayer*

*God's Greeting: Jude 1-2

* **PH 115** *Thy Might Sets Fast the Mountains*

WE BRING OUR CONFESSION BEFORE GOD

Apostles Creed

Prayer of Confession

PH 16 *In God Will I Trust*

WE OFFER HIM OUR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Interfaith Food Bank

* **PH 170** *Almighty God, Thy Lofty Throne*

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

Lord's Day 48

Scripture Reading: 1 John 2:28-3:10

Sermon: **Your Kingdom Come**

1. The Kingdom of Heaven
2. The King
3. The Work
4. Perfect and Complete

Applicatory Prayer

* **S 46** *Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me*

GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*Benediction

* *Three-fold Amen*

<u>ACCOMPANIST</u>	<u>SOUND</u>
Today: Heidi Oldenburger	Today: Jim VandenHeuvel/ Jacob Van Stralen
Next Sunday: Jodi Havinga	Next Sunday: Kevin Holtrop / Kaden Holtrop
<u>OFFERING</u>	<u>USHERS</u>
Today: Interfaith Food Bank	Today: Marinus Parlevliet
Next Sunday: Crossroads Prison Ministry	Next Sunday: Darcy Kikkert
<u>COFFEE SERVERS</u>	<u>DURING CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE</u>
Today: Kevin & Marianne Hanna	<u>MAY</u>
Next Sunday: Grace Holtrop	Teachers: Sarah Scheurkogel & Shari Neels
	Helpers: Addison Holtrop & Mattias Van Stralen

NURSERY SCHEDULE

TODAY: A.M: Helen Pejakovic, Shari Neels, Ashlyn Kikkert
P.M: Lynda Nymeyer, Lauren Kikkert, Payton Visser

Next Sunday:
A.M: Joni Brandsma, Alissa Nagtegaal &
Emmerson Kikkert
P.M: Melissa Heins, Maria VanStralen & Natalie Brandsma

Please note, if you are going to be away, please make arrangements with someone else on the list.

Also please contact Erin or Shari if you would like to be added or taken off the list and if there are any questions or concerns.
(An updated list is also available on the church's Facebook page)

Soup Kitchen Collection for May : JAM

Soup Kitchen: Thank you for all the peanut butter donations. For the month of May we will be collecting jam. The jam needs to be at the church by Sunday May 29th.

<u>Children's Word Tally - AM</u>	<u>Children's Word Tally - PM</u>
Judge	Rule
Sin	Destroy
Captive	Church
Flee	Heart

Welcome to Grace Reformed Church!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES:

- Helen Pejakovic.....May 17
- Adysen Holtrop.....May 21
- John Dykslag.....May 21

CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE!

- Catechism (wrap up).....May 19
- Young Adults Social.....May 17
- Young Adults Meeting of the minds.....May 29

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We rejoice with Betty and Ed, in that Betty's surgery went well. Please continue to pray for a good recovery. We rejoice also with Trish in that her surgery also went very well, please continue to pray for her recovery as well. God ceaselessly demonstrates His powerful grace and mercy to His people!

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Young Adults will have a social on Tuesday **May 17th at 6:30 PM**
Location Evergreen Golf Course

Books for consideration to help in the daily life of a young Christian are as follows:

1. The Holiness of God- RC Sproul
2. Counter Culture- David Platt
3. Just Do Something- Kevin DeYoung
4. Don't Waste Your Life- John Piper
5. Tactics- Greg Koukl

We discussed the content of the books and how we can incorporate discussion around them.

The Next meeting of the minds will be May 29th at the church after the second service, Caleb Van Stralen will lead

Please continue to pray for our Young Adults and the day to day of learning and growing during these challenging times.

Pastor Paul will be out of town next week Monday through Thursday, attending a leadership development course. If you have any cares or concerns, please reach out to your district elder.

Pastor Paul and Renée will be away May 27-30 for a family wedding that he'll be officiating. Rev. George Koopmans will be leading both worship services on May 29

A huge thank you to Trevor and Carrie Visser for organising and leading our Youth Group this year! Thank you to all the parents who have stepped up and done such a great job leading when Trevor and Carrie had to step back. God has blessed His family richly, and He is honoured by your loving service to Him and His people.

Catechism wraps up this coming Thursday, May 19. Thank you students for coming each week and for your excellent contributions to the class!

Did you notice the new tiny church as you entered the church building this morning? At the request of the **Evangelism Committee, Casey Scheurkogel** built it (thank you for doing such a marvelous job and exceeding all expectations) and **Jake Nagtegaal** installed it (with excellence)!

This tiny church is to reach out to our neighbours by providing Bibles, reading material such as Tabletalk, Daily Bread or Today devotionals; good books to take or exchange, as well as toques, mitts and scarves in the colder season.

Parents, please ask your children not to climb on the tiny church or use it as a jungle gym.

We'd love to hear your ideas for this tiny church! Please share them with members of the Evangelism Committee.

You are **invited to attend the community spaghetti dinner** at Amazing Grace church on June 6. The Evangelism committee requests that you support this outreach ministry with your presence.

There are 2 ways you can do this: 1) providing the necessary items to supply the dinner as in the past; 2) attend the dinner to which you as a congregation are invited. There is a sign- up sheet posted in the foyer on which you can volunteer to provide some of the necessary items.

Thank you for your wonderful support in the efforts put forth by the committee.

On May 29, during the Morning Worship, we anticipate voting for **office bearers**.

Council presents the following men who have been nominated:

For Elder: Andy Brandsma, Louis Brandsma, Kevin Holtrop, and Jake Nymeyer. (2 to be elected)

For Deacon: Jake Nagtegaal, and Richard Ooms. (1 to be elected)

We thank these men for permitting their names to stand and ask the Congregation to prayerfully consider which of these men would best serve God and our Congregation in their respective roles.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reformed Mission Services:

As registration for TASC has closed we now especially covet your prayers! Please pray for the five churches that are hosting as they continue to finalize plans. Pray that pleasant working weather will be provided, that the gospel message will be proclaimed clearly in the surrounding areas, and for the over 180 individuals who have signed up as sponsors or students!

Reformed Mission Services is collecting funds for a Seminary in Cochabamba, Bolivia. Generous donors have already given \$6,250 of the \$20,000.00 required to complete the building. What is still needed is funds for windows and doors, plaster/stucco, paint, and flooring. This amount includes money for labor as well. You can send donations to 6607 Center Industrial Dr., Jenison, MI 49428, or online at rms.org/donate For our Canadian brothers and sisters, please submit your donations through URMA at urma.ca

REHOBOTH GARDEN CENTER will be open from 9am – 5 pm. Cost is by donation! Come check out our bedding plants, perennials, hanging baskets, patio furniture (to order), & gardening supplies! We are located at 1222 – 20th Street (1 km north from the intersection of Hwy 3 & Hwy 845 in Coaldale). Look for the big green roof! For more information call 403-345-5199.

Rehoboth's Flourish Newsletter is now available online. : <https://www.rcmflourish.ca/about/flourish-newsletter/>



Student Application:

We are still accepting new student applications. Are you a prospective family looking for information about ICS? Please get in touch with us. Contact the school principal to learn more about each campus or call the Society Office to learn more about admissions, Society membership and school fees. Society Office Phone: (403) 327-4223





Baby Bottle Campaign

Join us between Mother's Day & Father's Day!

PRAY
for those facing
unexpected pregnancy

DISCUSS
ways you can help

DONATE
your cash, cheques,
or change



It's time for the Lethbridge Pregnancy Care Centre's annual Baby Bottle Campaign! Joining the Campaign allows YOU to come alongside the Centre in helping anyone facing unexpected pregnancy to find the hope and support they need.

It is easy to participate. Just pick up a bottle and, over the coming weeks, fill it with coins, cash, or a cheque. Bring it back to church on Father's Day, June 19, and know that you're giving makes a positive difference in your community! Don't want to take a bottle? You can give online - visit www.lethbridgepregcentre.com/BabyBottles!

Some of you have asked if we have a video that can be used to start the Campaign. I have attached it below for everyone. Please use if able, but do not feel obligated if this does not work for you.

[Baby Bottle Campaign Intro 2022 FINAL.mp4](#)

Word & Deed Softball Tournament

Please join us on June 25, 2022 at the Coaldale Quads for the Word & Deed Softball tournament.

Register with your team or come out for the concession, bouncy castle and watching the games . Team registration fee is \$500.

For more information or to register your team visit <https://lethwdssoftball.wixsite.com/wanddssoftball> or email us at lethwdssoftball@gmail.com



Scholarships available for Grade 12 and College/University Students!

Lethbridge & District Pro-Life Association is offering two Elsie Alexander Pro- Life Scholarships available for grade 12 students, and two scholarships for Post-Secondary students - a Laura Winters Stegen Essay Scholarship and a Henry Vandenberg Pro-Life Work/Volunteer Scholarship, in the Lethbridge and District Pro-Life Association area, who have proven leadership in encouraging respect for all human life.

Scholarship application forms can be downloaded from our website: <https://lifelethbridge.org/pro-life-events.html>

Application deadline is May 23, 2022



• Serving God
• Bridging Communities
• Renewing Lives

Thank you for being a member of the [Word & Deed Business Group Program!](#)
I'm very much looking forward to being in Alberta soon for our Business Group meetings, the Lord willing. *We plan to return to our annual pre-pandemic meeting timeline of late May / early June*

Please save the date for your group's meeting. Watch your inbox in the coming weeks for more details about your specific group.

**Southern
Alberta
Calgary
Edmonton
Neerlandia
Central
Alberta**

Monday, May 30 - Evening
Tuesday, May 31 - Evening
Wednesday, June 1 - Breakfast
Wednesday, June 1 - Evening
Thursday, June 2 - Evening

****How could you help your business group grow? How about inviting members of "the next generation"? Your personal encouragement to those who know and trust you is key. Here is [a link](#) to the 2-minute Business Group introduction video****

I and your Business Group coordinators look forward to seeing you!

In His Service,

Rick Postma

Word & Deed Ministries

<http://www.wordanddeed.org>

[Word & Deed on Facebook](#)

877.375.9673 (Canada)

866.391.5728 (USA)

RSVP

Please RSVP to one of the Business Group Coordinators below.

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Harvey VanHierden 403-553-2016

Lyle Ypma 403-634-1636

Redemption Prison Ministry is a Reformed prison ministry that seeks to facilitate the church in the evangelization, discipling and reintegration of prisoners into church and society.

You can be involved in this by becoming a Volunteer grading our Bible correspondence courses. If you are interested in becoming a Volunteer Instructor, please contact Hans van Doodenwaard (hans@redemptionprisonministry.ca) or ph: 519-620-2298 for an application form and more information.

Dinie Oldenburger is an Instructor in Grace Reformed church, if you have any questions.

