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**Redlands Community Centre**

Please continue to donate non-perishable food items by placing them in the box in the foyer.

**Rosters****8th October**

**Preacher** Jim/Jack  
**Reader am** James Newton  
**Reader pm** Kerry Jewell  
**Crèche am** Louise & Meriska  
**Gate** Kees Mollenschot  
**Host** Judy Kliitscher  
**Greeter** Gerda Bain  
**Coffee** Zipp  
 Hemelaar

**Kids@Church** Helen & Ashleigh**15th October**

**Preacher** Jim/John  
**Reader am** Hans Eshuis  
**Reader pm** Darren Cole  
**Crèche am** Carly & Hannah  
**Gate** Jan de Beer  
**Host** Helen Watson  
**Greeter** Doug Kliitscher  
**Coffee** Lowe  
 Worthy

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Christian Reformed Church

BSB No. 084 435

Account Number: 47287 4363

Please include the word "pledge" and your surname as a statement reference.

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER****8th October 2017**

Welcome to our public worship services on this Lord's Day. It is a delight and privilege to worship our Creator God, who for Jesus' sake, is also our loving heavenly Father. If you are a visitor please stay for fellowship over a cuppa after the morning worship service.

**9am service****Sola Scriptura: What does the Bible mean to you?**

On the 31<sup>st</sup> October 1517, Martin Luther mailed his 95 theses onto the church door in Wittenberg. He had no idea that his actions would change the course of history. He hoped to spark debate about church practices he considered corrupt. Instead he ignited a revolution whose flames burn bright to this day. Michael Reeves and Tim Chester ask the question, 'five hundred years on, does the Reformation still matter?' The answer is 'Yes' 'because it is our story. If you are Anglican, Baptist, Brethren, Congregational, Independent, Lutheran, Mennonite, Methodist, Presbyterian, Pentecostal or Reformed, then these are your roots. Your history can be traced back to these events five hundred years ago.' Over the coming weeks, we will look at the Latin phrases that became the battle cry of the Protestant Reformation. They summarized the essential issues that separated Martin Luther and his followers from the Roman Catholic Church. We will look at each phrase and ask its relevance for today. We begin with Sola Scriptura: The Bible as the only basis of our faith. What did this phrase mean to the

Reformers, and what does it mean for us today? Understanding the Bible rightly is the foundation of our Christian faith. So, what does the Bible mean to you? What is the purpose of the Bible in your life? These are some of the questions we will think through today.

Bible Passage: Hebrews 12:1-4

Pastor: Jim de Witte

**5pm service****Simplicity**

What is the essence of the Christian life? What is the key to following Jesus? Life can get quite complicated but in this message Pastor Jack will share how simplicity leads to a hope-filled life.

Bible Passage: Psalm 131

Pastor: Jack De Vries— *Ministry Development Coach, Ministry Formation*

Worship Services  
 9am and 5pm every Sunday  
 Cnr Sturgeon & Delancey St  
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## Prayer Points

- Thank God for the opportunity to gather together as a church family to worship Him.
- People's individual needs including terminal illness, chronic pain, permanent disabilities, depression, mental illness, grief etc. Pray for the loved ones and friends who support these people.
- Pray for the people of Las Vegas. Healing for the injured; comfort to those who mourn; reminders of a God who cares and is familiar with suffering. Pray that the churches in Las Vegas will be ministers of this gospel in the midst of loss.
- Pray for those other places in the world where there is grief, suffering and loss. Places like the islands destroyed by hurricanes.
- Please uphold our Yr12 students in the final weeks of their school life and as they face exams and as they make decision for next year and beyond. May God grant them his peace.



## Elder Elections

The Church Council thanks the congregation for their prayer consideration and nomination of Elders. Following discussions with those nominated we would like to place before the congregation three men for your prayerful consideration for eldership. We were talking about four men, but have held it to three now and then look to bring a couple more on in 2018. By spreading the intake, we also spread the departure of Elders as they finish their terms, allowing for a better transition.

The Church Council is pleased to be able to put forward to the congregation the names of Lachlan Black, Todd Hammond and Frank Hemelaar for the office of Elder. Church Council regards each of these people as suitable for the task and unless any biblical objections can be raised against them, we ask all members to vote via acclamation (yes/no) for three elders on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> October, immediately after the morning service.

If you are unavailable that day then voting slips can be obtained from Wendy Hammond in the Church Office. Please give prayerful thought as to how you vote. Church Council.

## Lord's Supper

**TODAY** we hope to celebrate the Lord's Supper in both services.

God's Word calls us to examine ourselves before we eat of the bread and drink of the cup (1 Corinthians 11:28).

In the light of that we are called to ask ourselves these questions:

- Do I believe that my sins are forgiven only because my Lord sacrificed himself for me on the cross?
- Is it my sincere desire to love God and my neighbour, and to serve them according to God's Word?

*Pray that God will help you to see afresh His grace and forgiveness in Jesus Christ.*

*Pray too that if anything is not right that you might, in repentance, know God's mercy and grace to help you change.*

## Facebook Administrator

We are looking for a social media enthusiast who would be willing to take over the administrator role. If you are interested, please contact the Church Office.



Jesus Christ has made an indelible mark on human history and He continues to do so through His followers. Yet many people do not realise that the values western democracies are built on originate in the life and teaching of Jesus – the equality of all, servant leadership, care for the poor and marginalised, dignity of women and children, education, to name just a few.

In a DVD series, Jesus the Game Changer, host Karl Faase travels to the UK, USA, Singapore, India and Australia, interviewing authors, academics and modern-day game changers about how the life and teaching of Jesus changed the world and why it matters. There is also a discussion guide that goes alongside the DVDs.

We will be running this series in the church over 10 weeks, starting from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October. We will run it on Monday night at 7.30pm. If you can't make it on a Monday night, then we will be running it again on Tuesday nights.

If you are not in a small group and are interested in this series, then join us on one of those nights. Even if you are in a small group that meets on another night, you can join us too. Maybe your whole small group wants to attend.

Coming out of this series, if there is enough interest, we will start another small group.

Join us for the first night on either Monday 9<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October.

*Pastor Jim*

*Prayer Meeting: Tuesday 7pm @ Church*

## Minutes of last Church Council Meeting

- Mark Flynn presented a draft budget. We hope to finalise the proposed budget at the October Church Council meeting. Copies of the budget will be made available to members 3 weeks prior to the AGM which is scheduled for 14<sup>th</sup> November.
- Linda De Beer has offered to assist Mark Flynn with the Book keeping we are very thankful for Linda's offer to help
- Elder nominations were discussed Frank Hemelaar, Todd Hammond and Lachlan Black to be put forward for a vote of affirmation on the 15<sup>th</sup> October
- An update from the Calling Committee was received
- An update on the Youth worker position was received with several prospects being discussed
- Geoff Hughes has offered to assist with pastoral care we are very thankful for Geoff's offer to help
- Preaching roster was discussed and updated
- Pastoral visits were discussed

## Men's Breakfast with Israel

This is an invitation to the men (young and old) to join us for breakfast in the church on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00am. We will share food and fellowship together and we will hear from Israel. Israel is passionately committed to New Life church and orphanage in Myanmar and will share the wonder of what the Lord is doing in and through them as they bring the gospel of Jesus Christ through word and deed. Join us. Bring a friend of two.

When: 25<sup>th</sup> October 7am

Where: Church Hall

How much: \$10. (Any profits will go to New Life).

RSVP: to Pastor Jim by Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>