

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Ministries using the gym please note that if Extreme Weather Shelter is open the gym is not available.

Today | December 2

9:45 am Pre-worship prayer
10:00 am Worship service
11:30 am Connections Lunch
3:30 pm Hymn Sing

Monday | December 3

7:30 pm Men's Basketball

Tuesday | December 4

9:00 am Staff meeting
7:00 pm GEMS and Cadets
7:00 pm Prayer Ministry
7:15 pm Choir practice
7:15 pm Women's Volleyball

Wednesday | December 5

9:30 am Coffee Break Ministry
6:30 pm Admin Board
7:00 pm Friendship Ministry
7:30 pm Worship practice

Thursday | December 6

7:15 pm Backpack ministry
7:30 pm Youth
7:30 pm Men's Darts

Saturday | December 8

11:30 am Senior's Christmas lunch

Communication

To receive to our weekly member's newsletter email the office at office@gatewaycrc.org. Paper copies are available at the Welcome Center.

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TO
GATEWAY
COMMUNITY
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

HELPING PEOPLE TO LOVE & SERVE JESUS

Check out our **website** www.gatewaycrc.org or try out Gateway Community CRC's **free mobile App**

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Mothers around the cradle: Ruth | Matthew 1:1—5
Pastor Marcel deRegt

December 2, 2018



TO ALL OUR GUESTS

Welcome to Gateway Community Church! If you have any questions about our church and our ministries, please visit the **Welcome Center** (at the South end of the lobby) before or after the service. A host will be available to greet and assist you.

Whether you are a member or guest, please know that we are a church family that celebrates God's grace in Christ Jesus and desires to embrace all who come, just as you are, and whoever you are.

JOIN US! for coffee & fellowship after the service in the lobby!

A prayer team is available after the worship service at the front of the sanctuary.

If you'd like to connect with some others over a meal after the service today please join us for our **Connections lunch** in room 107.

MINISTRIES @ GATEWAY

Kidz Church for Children age 3 - Grade 3! Visiting? Check your kids in at the ark, parents can pick up a take home sheet there as well.

This week: David values Saul's Life
Next week: David celebrates

Kids Grade 4 and up: Pick up an activity sheet from the Welcome Center!

GEMS & CADETS GIRLS & BOYS CLUBS
Grades 3—7. Meets Tuesdays at 7:00 pm.

Youth Group meets Thursday, Dec 6 for our Alpha study. We will be looking at *Prayer – Why and How!* Should be another great discussion. Youth meets from 7:30-9:30 pm in the Heritage wing upstairs.

Coffee Break Women's Bible Study Ministry meets on Wednesdays from 9:30 – 11:00 am. We invite you to bring a friend, bring your babies and toddlers.

SERVING EACH OTHER TODAY

Service Elder | Bryan Brandsma
Prayer team | Anita VanderSpoel

Welcome Center | Jeannetta Dykstra

Opening/closing

Today | John Sprietsma
Next week | Matt Dykshoorn

Greeters

Today | Henry & Alice, Ed & Cheryl
Next week | Henk & Geraldine, Roy & Cheryl

Ushers

Today | Doug, Jason, Lloyd, Len, Keith, Dave
Next week | Amjad, Matt, Rita, Eric, Spencer

Nursery

December parents | Cheryl P, Jill H
This morning | Chantelle A, Kylah T, Helena V, Theresa H, Tamara A, Tim & April, Lianne T, Jacy W
Next week | Cheryl G, Geraldine W, Alicia P, Karlina P, Zach M, Jenn K, Lorene B, Jenna D, Jessica H

Offering Schedule

Dec 2 | Salvation Army
Dec 9 | Ministry to the Seafarers

Collecting Deacons

Today Ron, Yolanda
Next week | Matt, Dan

Coffee Today | Mark & Susan, Michael
Next week | Ron & Helena

Library Today | Johanna, Chris
Next week | Tracey, Julia

Kidz Church Check In
Today | Amanda
Next week | Amanda

CHURCH FAMILY

We express our Christian sympathy to Michael Lukeniuk with the passing away of his wife Kelly on November 17. Please continue to uphold Mike in prayer during this difficult time.

Congratulation to Annie Jaarsma who celebrates her 82nd birthday on Saturday, December 8. May God bless you with a great day.

Why a single burning candle on the stage?

Malachi 1:11 states "From the rising of the sun to its setting, My name will be great among the nations, and in every place incense will be offered to My name, and a pure offering. For My name will be great among the nations, says the Lord of Hosts."

GATEWAY COMMUNITY GROUPS this week

November through March—check the website, gym ministries will not meet if the Extreme Weather Shelter is open. (Check the website homepage)

Women's Volleyball meets in the gym from 7:15—8:30 pm on Tuesday evenings. For more information call Sarah at 604-897-5727

Men's Drop In Basketball meets on Monday evenings in the gym from 7:30—9:00 pm. For more information call Matt at 604-835-3089

Men's Darts club will be meeting on the first, third and fifth Thursdays of the month this season from 7:30 – 9:00 pm in the multipurpose room. For more information call Allan Mulder at 604-302-7382. Next Darts is happening on Thursday, December 6.

PRAYER

As a community of believers, we strongly believe in supporting our church family in prayer. Please hold the following up in prayer this week:

Gateway Family

John & Henri Hoekstra, Liam, Elese, Ethan, Elliot
Sid & Annie Jaarsma
Justin & Cheryl Mulder, Taylor, Avery, Cole

Council Members

Elder | Kees Vanbodegom
Deacon | Yolanda Verhagen

December Ministries

Nursery Ushers
Coffee Teams

Abbotsford church

Northview Community Church

“Gateway Community Christian Reformed Church is a healthy, growing and diverse family of God, expressing the good news of God's Kingdom which transforms lives in our church, in our city and in our world.”

ORDER OF WORSHIP | Dec 2, 2018

Welcome

Call to worship
Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

God's Greeting
(God welcomes us and greets us)
Great Are You Lord

The story of Ruth
Prayer of confession
Assurance of pardon
Lighting of the Advent candle: Hope
Hope of the Nations

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Kidz Church

Congregational Prayer (*Elder Casey Pruim*)
(We express our adoration, our thanks,
our needs to God)

Offering for the Salvation Army
(We give back to God from what he
has given us)
God With Us

Scripture: Matthew 1: 1—5
Message: Mothers around the cradle:
Ruth
(God speaks his Word for today to us,
note space on reverse)

Prayer
Angels From the Realms of Glory

Communion
**The Table
In Christ Alone**

God's Parting Blessing
O Come Let Us Adore Him

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