CONGREGATIONAL ASSISTANCE PLAN (CAP): Shalem Mental Health Network provides professional faith-based counselling services to our church through the CAP ministry. CAP usage is confidential and available to all congregants, at no cost for the first 6 sessions. To book an appt, or for more info, please call Shalem directly at: 905-528-0353, 1-866-347-0041, or text 289-335-3543, or email office@shalemnetwork.org.

SHALEM MENTAL HEALTH NETWORK

The Playlist as the Sound of Self-Care

Music and sound guides and accompanies us throughout our lives and has incredible potential that can be put towards mental health and wellbeing. Many of us intuitively use music to motivate, express, comfort and support us. Music offers immersive and predictable experiences that can help us regain our footing in stressful times, but is most effective when attached to an explicit goal to do so. Studies show that we need music choices to be intentional in order for them to have maximum impact. Creating a new playlist to use as part of your intentional self-care routine can be worth the effort.

To read more go to https://shalemnetwork.org/the-playlist-as-the-sound-of-self-care/

As always, we are most open to feedback on this resource, please do not hesitate to reach out to Tom Jantzi or Danielle VandenAkker.

MID-AMERICA REFORMED SEMINARY'S Center for Missions and Evangelism Conference returns October 2–3, 2026, at Bethel Church in Lansing, IL, with a focus on biblical hospitality. Join us for two days of teaching, panel discussions, and worship designed to equip your church to better welcome and enfold others into its life. Early Bird registration is open through May 31. Learn more and register today at midamerica.edu/cme/conference.

SEEKING WISDOM AND UNITY: A PRAYER FOR SYNOD 2026 From June 12–18, delegates from across North America will gather at Calvin University for Synod 2026. This annual assembly is a vital time of discernment, worship, and decision-making for the Christian Reformed Church, shaping our collective ministry and denominational direction. This year's theme, "Founded on God's Faithfulness," reminds us that God establishes our steps as we do ministry together as the Christian Reformed Church. I am grateful to be traveling to Grand Rapids to serve as a delegate this year, along with other pastors Ryan Nirula, John Vanderwindt, and Martin Spoelstra from our classis. As synod engages significant deliberations regarding leadership, church health, and mutual accountability, we would be grateful for your prayers.

Please pray for traveling mercies, clarity of mind, and listening hearts for all attendees. Pray that the Holy Spirit guides every discussion, fostering a spirit of unity, love, and bold faith. You can follow live streams and daily updates at crcna.org/synod, the Banner, and on YouTube.

Thanks!

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JUNE 2026

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This Issue

LORD'S SUPPER SERVICE SCHEDULE: 2026
Sunday, June 7, 2026
Sunday, July 26, 2026
Please join us. Everyone welcome

GROWING IN FAITH:

Family & Faith Formation Night: Thank you to all of our volunteers and participants for making these ministries successful. Truth Seekers, Club Kingdom Builders & Youth are have wrapped up for the year here at the church. They will start back up in the fall.

Ladies Bible Study: Coffee Break has wrapped up for the year. It will resume in the fall and run every Thursday at 9:30am; Nursery is available. (Sept. to May). Thank you to all of our leaders.

Precept Bible Study Wraps up on June 23rd for the year. Classes will pick back up again in the fall. Milly Nokes is the leader.

Odyssey takes place every 4th Sunday of the month. Youth are released after the Sermon. Classes have wrapped up for the year and will start again in the fall.

Something for everyone and everyone is welcome!

NEXT MONTH'S COUNCIL MEETING:

Next council meeting will be held on Thursday, July 2nd, at 7:30pm. Council packets will be distributed on the Friday prior to the Council Meeting.

Precept Bible Study

Precept Bible Study:
"Jesus' Witnesses Empowered by His Holy Spirit",
a 16-week study of **ACTS Part 1 (Acts 1 - 12)**
Mondays (7pm) and
Tuesdays, (9:30am)

LESSON 7
June 1/2, 2026
June 8/9 - **DVD**

LESSON 8
June 15/16, 2026
June 22/23 - **DVD**

Finished for the year. See you in the fall.

Monthly Finance Updates

OFFERING TOTAL RESULTS: MAY 2026

Church Ministry Budget	$28,484.12
Special Offerings	
Kawartha Mission	$974.00
Resonate Global Mission	$1,001.00
Heritage Christian School	$176.00
Kawartha Lakes Food Source	$265.00
Deacons	$1,386.10
Kawartha Lakes Pregnancy Centre	$245.00
Durham Christian High School	$115.00
Jennings Creek Capital Improvement Fund	$2,000.00
JCCRC Youth Fund/Budget	$800.00
Thrive: Abuse Awareness Sunday	$165.00
W/R Women of Hope Sunday	$654.00
W/R Abuse Prevention Sunday	$100.00
ReFrame Ministry	$538.10
Sound & Visual Equipment Upgrade	$12,800.00
Facility Rental Income	$500.00
TOTAL INCOME FOR MAY	**$50,203.32**
YEAR-TO-DATE TOTAL	**$206,486.21**

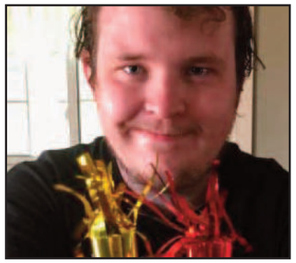
This is the month in summary and includes Sunday morning Offerings, and April's PAR & GIVE App totals.

Church Family

JULY 2026 NEWSLETTER:
If you have something that you would like to share with the congregation, please submit to the church office. Deadline for contributions is the Wednesday (9:00am) prior to the end of the month. The Newsletter will be posted online on the 1st Sunday of the month to update everyone on what is going on in our church, community and beyond. There will be a limited amount of copies available on the Welcome Centre for those individuals that do not have internet and for guests.

HERITAGE UPDATE:
Gift card profits for the months of **May** was **$1221.45.**
If you would like to purchase gift cards or would like more information, please contact **Hank Bossema at 705-328-2061**.

WEDNESDAY FAITH FORMATION NIGHTS have come to a close after a year full of learning and growing together! Kids in Club Kingdom Builders have been learning about God's story in the bible using ***"The Biggest Story,"*** a great curriculum that accompanies beautifully animated and illustrated bible stories. You can check them out yourself on Youtube! As a gift to the parents, and an encouragement to engage in family faith formation in the home, parents also received a "The Biggest Story: Family Devotional," a beautifully bound devotional that incorporates the material we've been learning about. The devotional includes prayer prompts, bible readings, questions for little theologians, and can accompany the Biggest Story bible storybook or videos online. It's a great resource to use and engage with your family.



CAN YOU HELP SEND ME TO CAMP?

FUNDRAISER: Johnathan is getting ready to attend camp. For 2 weeks in July he will enjoy activities with his friends that he has made over the past 11 yrs. This is the highlight of his summer. The cost is **$2350**. Would you help in raising funds to achieve this? Please see **Ernie or Kim Griffieon,** or talk to Johnathan. Donations can also be made via the ***GIVE App*** via the "DEACONS: Johnathan Fritz Camp Fundraiser" or you can put it in the offering plate just please make sure it is clearly marked that it is for Johnathan Fritz Camp Fundraiser.

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ReFrame MINISTRIES

Groundwork: ***God Makes All Things New*** **-** The fourth major theme of the Bible is that of consummation, the time when God will complete his redemptive plan and make all creation new. Join Groundwork as we study Revelation 21:1-5, Matthew 19:28, Romans 8:18-21, and Ephesians 2:19-22 to see a future where God's presence eradicates suffering and evil, and brings justice and eternal joy and to discuss what it means for us now. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

KIDS CORNER DEVOTIONS: ***Paul: God Changes Everything*** **-** Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Paul: God Changes Everything" at www.kidscorner.net. What if your life suddenly made a huge U-turn and turned you into a God-helper on an exciting new mission? Discover how you can help others, serve God, and be part of an amazing adventure starting today! Check out the KC Summertime Collection with lots of puzzles, games, and fun activities. Good for road trips or quiet time at home.

THRIVE

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Today we celebrate Trinity Sunday. One week after Pentecost, we turn our attention to the continuing work of the triune God in our world: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This week spend some time reading the story of Jesus' baptism in Matthew 3:13-17, observing how Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are portrayed in that passage. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

WORLD RENEW

Help Communities Affected by the Ebola Outbreak **-** An Ebola outbreak is creating urgent health risks in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and neighbouring countries. In Uganda, World Renew is preparing a response with local partners to share prevention messaging, provide handwashing stations, and equip local volunteers to help stop transmission. Join us in praying for healing and a swift end to the outbreak, and please give to support community health efforts at worldrenew.ca/ebola-crisis, by calling 1-888-975-3769, or by mailing a cheque made out to World Renew, with "Ebola Outbreak 2026" in the memo line, to: World Renew, 3475 Mainway, PO Box 5070 STN LCD 1, Burlington, ON, L7R 3Y8.

MEETING THE URGENT NEED

Dear Friends,
Meeting world hunger needs remains a longstanding mission of Samaritan's Purse. Nearly 800 million people—10% of the global population—are unsure where their next meal will come from.
In Sudan's ongoing catastrophic civil war, famine and malnutrition are especially widespread. Amna,* 24, arrived at an internally displaced people's camp hungry, afraid, and with little more than the clothes on her back. She came with her mother, two little sisters, and other relatives. Soldiers had taken nearly everything they owned. "We didn't have food," she told us. "If we stay [at home], we will die."
Samaritan's Purse is working at the camp where Amna fled—providing food, shelter, safe water, cooking supplies, and medical care in Jesus' Name. With your prayers and support, we are providing life-saving assistance to as many people as we can.

Give Now

This World Hunger Day, you can make a difference for families like Amna's. Since 2023, through your prayers and gifts, Samaritan's Purse Canada has provided over 500 tons of emergency food aid to support displaced Sudanese people. As we continue to respond to families, communities, and children facing hunger around the world, God can work through you to give nourishment and hope in Jesus' Name.

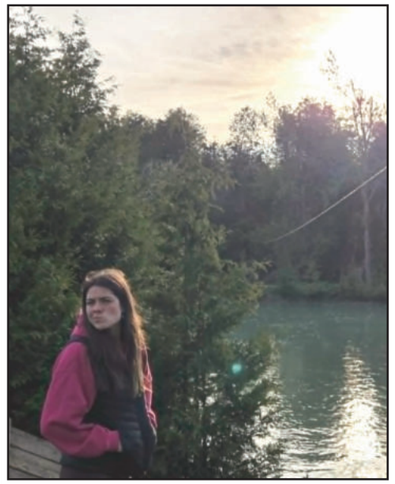
Deliver Life-Saving Food

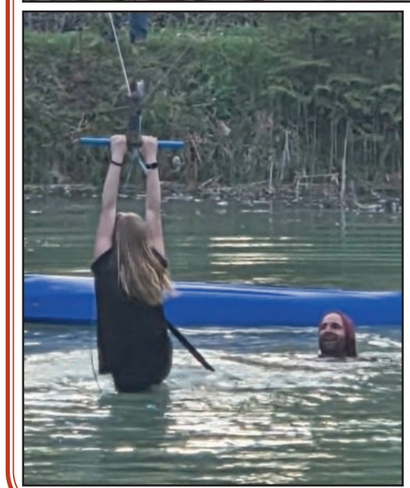
"For I was hungry and you gave Me food."
Matthew 25:42

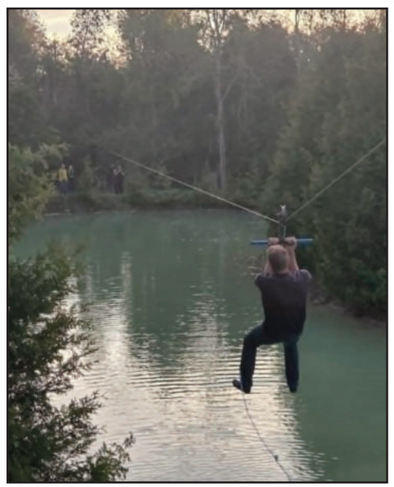
Youth Season Finale

Thank you all for another great season! Have a safe summer.

~ photos submitted by Pat Bigelow







CHURCH SPRING CLEAN-UP 2026

~ photos submitted by Carol Pypker

THANK YOU! Volunteers are what make things happen. Thank you to this crew that came out and cleaned up the church property, gardens and removed the siding from the “Cadet Shack”. Amazing work as usual. How blessed we are.

2025/2026 Ministry Wrap-Up BBQ

~ photos submitted by Lena Wilms

2025/2026 MINISTRY WRAP-UP BBQ: A wonderful outdoor BBQ was enjoyed by our church family.
God certainly continues to bless us. What a wonderful spot we have.
THANK YOU to **ALL** of our leaders and volunteers that make these Ministries thrive and engage everyone that's involved! ***Have a safe and wonderful summer!***