



NEWSLETTER

Deep Connecting
Lifelong Equipping
Compassionate Serving

August 17, 2025

Services/Events

Today - We witness and celebrate the sacrament of **Baptism for Myles Connor Buist, son of Jonathan & Sara.**

Aug 22nd - Summer Camp wraps up this Friday.

Sept 7th - **11AM morning service in Centennial Park** (bring chairs—rain location will be back in Bethany) followed by food and baseball games (sign up at welcome booth to play).

Sept 14th - Celebration of the **Lord's Supper** and our Ministry Year kickoff service.

Collections

Today - Bible League Canada

August 24th - Deacons

August 31st - Smithville Christian High School

September 7th - Deacons

Looking for new ministry Team members!

After much prayer and thoughtful discussion with Council, the former Discipleship Team is being restructured into two distinct teams—each with a more focused mission in serving God's kingdom.

Outreach Team:

This team will focus on helping Bethany CRC be a faithful witness in our local Niagara community. Through prayerful creativity, the team will equip and encourage our church family to share the love and grace of Christ with those who do not yet know Him, and to build meaningful relationships with our neighbors.

Discipleship Team:

This new team will focus on spiritual growth within our congregation. Its mission is to nurture faith formation and to encourage mature believers to walk alongside new and young fellow believers in a shared journey of growing in God's grace and living life openly with those God places in our paths.

We invite you to prayerfully consider how God might be calling you to serve. If you feel led, we would love to have you join one of these teams! For questions or more information, please contact Becky Van

Lochem at dolphina20_2003@hotmail.com.

Clarity Pregnancy Options' Annual Dessert Social fundraiser is coming up on Friday, September 19th at 7pm with doors open, refreshments and worship at 6pm. There's no cost to attend but reservations are required, so book your seats or a table of ten! For more details and to RSVP go to www.clarityevents.ca or call 289-273-8806.



Cairn Christian School (Stoney Creek campus)

has an opening for a paraeducator for next year.

This position is a part-time (Tuesdays and Thursdays) educational assistant to provide support to a student with exceptional learning needs in Junior Kindergarten. Experience and a working knowledge of learning disabilities would be an asset. Contact Carolyn Bentum, principal, at cbentum@cairnchristianschool.ca for more information.



The wheels on the bus are starting to go round-and-round! Join the nine teams made up of fifty-six walkers for **The Grand Parade, at Shalom Manor, on Saturday, September 20th!** Funds raised will be used towards a wheelchair accessible bus. This resident suggested request will allow them to safely go on more outings to local parks, shopping, bowling, the Mum Show and more! Check out the following link: [Grimsby \(Shalom Manor\) - The Grand Parade 2025](#) to see how you can get those wheels moving!

River's Edge - Fall Fun Fest & Vendor Market, Sept 20th- 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Come on out with the family for a fun day of activities, a hay bale toss, bouncy castle, face painting, vendors, farmer's market, lunch, bake sale and more! Willing to help out? Please sign-up on our volunteer sheet: <https://volunteersignup.org/8R7RT>
Questions? Call Sandra 905-229-8616

River's Edge First Annual Fundraising Gala

Join us for an unforgettable evening in support of River's Edge Haven of Hope, Saturday, November 22, 2025. D.V. at John Calvin Christian School, Smithville. Table sponsorship opportunities are available; consider securing yours early by contacting promotions@riversedge.ca. Help Needed: Have a passion for our Ministry and love planning events? We need more Committee members- please message promotions@riversedge.ca or call Sandra at the # above, for any questions you may have.



Join us for the Rose City Kids Golf Tournament

You're Invited to tee up for a great cause! Support the life changing ministry of Rose City Kids by joining us for our annual Golf Tournament

Date September 25 or 26, Start time: 12 pm lunch (1:00 pm -tee time)

Location: Riverview Golf Club in Pelham

Cost: \$150/player or \$600/foursome. Includes golf, cart, meals, prizes and more

To register or become a sponsor:

Visit: www.rosecitykids.com or Gerry Vermeer 905 714-4141 or Nath Anjema 905 892 5350 x230

Come golf for a cause- and help us continue to bring faith, hope and love to the next generation.

Volunteers Needed- Partner with Rose City Kids

"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me" Matthew 18:5

Rose City Kids is growing and so is the need for more helping hands and loving hearts. We're currently looking for volunteers to join us in serving over 700 children and youth through weekly programs, tutoring, mentorship, house visits and more. Whether it's helping on a Saturday afternoon, tutoring, or connecting with our youth on an evening, you can make a difference. This is more than volunteering. It's ministry. It's relationships. It's planting seeds of hope and showing kids what the love of Jesus looks like in action.

Located in Welland, Rose City Kids is on the front lines of reaching children and youth who desperately need to know they are seen, loved and never alone. If you are looking for a place to serve in our community this can be it.

To learn more or get involved, contact carla@rosecitykids.com www.rosecitykids.com

GriefShare 13 week sessions

Beginning **Tuesday, Sept. 9th, 2025 from 7-9pm**, the Zion Free Reformed Church, 1075 Boyle Road, Fenwick invites you to attend our 13-week GriefShare seminars. This course will run every Tuesday evening until Dec. 9th.

GriefShare is for people who have lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend through death. GriefShare is a grief recovery support group where you can find help and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one.

GriefShare is a Christ-centered, biblically based support group seminar. The GriefShare videos present experts, ministers, and Christian counselors discussing grief and recovery subjects helpful to people in grief. Real people share their stories of what has helped them deal with the pain of losing a family member or friend through death. For more information contact Frank and Joanne Fousert at 519-852-6574 or email at joannefousert@gmail.com or visit www.griefshare.org

For planning purposes, please let us know if you plan to attend. Thanks.

Need support, prayer or to talk to someone?

Contact Pastor Colin 905-931-5841 (call/text) colin@bethanycrc.ca or Jessica Dreyer 905-380-8559 (call/text) Bethany also offers members/attendees the following confidential congregationally supported counseling:



Insight Biblical Counselling - Book directly with them. Usage is confidential and available to all congregants with the first 6 sessions paid by Bethany. Mention you are a part of Bethany CRC. 905-734-4379 www.seekinsight.ca & info@seekinsight.ca

Congregational Assistance Plan (CAP) Shalem Mental Health Network provides professional faith-based counseling services to our church through the Congregational Assistance Plan ... confidential and available to all congregants, at no cost for the first 6 sessions. Mention you are a part of Bethany CRC. To book an appt call Shalem directly at: 1-866-347-0041, or text 289-335-3543, or emailoffice@shalemnetwork.org

All other church contact info: 905-892-8980 info@bethanycrc.ca www.bethanycrc.ca