

## DEACONS CORNER

### THIS WEEKS ACTIVITIES

**MONDAY** (2<sup>nd</sup>) 1:30 pm = 55+ Bowling  
7:00 pm = Floor hockey  
**TUESDAY:** (3<sup>rd</sup>) 7:00 pm = **NO** Youth  
**WEDNESDAY:** (4<sup>th</sup>) 9:30 am = **NO** Coffee Break  
10:00 am = **NO** MOPS  
7:00 pm = **NO** Cadets  
7:00 pm = Worship Meeting

### ADVANCED NOTICES

**Jan. 8** - Free Meal  
Sunday  
**Jan. 9** - Deacons Meet  
**Jan. 10** - Deacons  
Training  
**Jan. 11** - Coffee Break,  
Mops & GEMS resumes  
**Jan. 15** - Free Meal Deal  
**Jan. 17** - Youth resumes

**Jan. 18** - Admin. Meet  
**Jan. 19** - Consistory  
Meeting  
**Jan. 20** - Soup Kitchen  
**Jan. 27-29** - Breakforth  
**Jan. 29** - Cadet Sunday

**THIS WEEK'S OFFERINGS. (Dec. 31/Jan. 1) - BUDGET:** Jesus came and deliberately gave His life for us. It was part of God's plan of salvation for Jesus to give His life so that we might be saved.

**DEBT REDUCTION** This collection is used to reduce the mortgage principal and notes payable which the church borrowed to build the addition. The interest cost is included in the church budget. Reducing the principal with this offering means reducing the interest paid over time. May we all grow in His Grace as we receive His gifts today.

**NEXT WEEK'S OFFERINGS (Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>) BUDGET:** &  
INTERFAITH FOOD BANK

The 2012 Budget envelopes have been placed in your mailboxes; please contact Joe B. if you have not received yours. Using these envelopes ensures your giving gets recorded correctly.

### THIS WEEKS SERVICE (Jan. 1, 2012)

**Ushers:** Abe & Shirley V.

**Greeters:** Beth P., George & Chris V.

**Nursery Mom:** Christine O.

**Nursery Volunteers:** Julie M., Jo-Ann W., Abby MacDonald

**Sunday School: Pre S/K & Gr. 1-6 – No** Sunday School

**Library Helpers:** Library Closed

**Columbia Assisted Living:** No Service

### NEXT WEEKS SERVICE (Jan. 8, 2012)

**Ushers:** John & Joanne D.

**Greeters:** Della V., Francine V. & Wendy P.

**Nursery Mom:** Christine O.

**Nursery Volunteers:** Tammy E., Trix E., Peggy D., Andrew M.

**Sunday School: Pre S/K - Tracy L., Abby M.**

**Gr. 1-6 – Chrstine Oosterhof**

**Library Helpers:** Mercer Family

**Columbia Assisted Living:** Group Five -  
Lead by: Arie D.

### COFFEE HOSTS – Jan. 1

Norm & Kristy D.  
Elizabeth D.  
Randy & Lynda D.  
Arie & Martha D.

### COFFEE HOSTS – Jan. 8

Sharon D.  
Kari D.  
Martin & Henny D.  
Brent & Juanita D.

**Our Mission:** Serving others as Jesus served, helping all become faithful disciples of the Lord.

Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland. Isaiah 43:18 NIV

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**WELCOME** to Maranatha on this first day of 2012! May we view each day of the New Year as an opportunity to worship the Lord. If you would like further personal contact with us, please fill out the guest information card and drop in the offering pouch.

**Gathered in Grace**

“Unto the King”  
“Shout to the Lord “

Call to Worship:  
A Responsive Reading (Natalie R. and Nelly V.)  
Greetings from the Lord / Mutual greetings  
“Great is Thy Faithfulness” (#556)  
“Steadfast Love”  
“He’s Got the Whole World” (#457)  
Prayer for Spirit’s guidance

**God’s Word of Grace**

Scripture: Psalm 127 and Ephesians 2.19-22  
Message: "Building the Lord's House in 2012"  
“Steadfast Love“

**Gratitude for Grace**

Pastoral prayer  
Offering: Debt Reduction  
“Unto the King”  
Covenant Renewal Ceremony:  
Romans 7:14-20/ **Good to Me**  
Romans 8:1-4 / **Good to Me** (Prayer in unison)  
Doxology: **Unto the King**

**Worship in Audio/Visual:** DVD recordings of each worship service are available; please speak to a technician in the sound booth if you would like one. Also, our morning worship service (of the previous week) is televised each Sunday at 5 PM on Shaw Cable TV Channel 9. If you require a hearing aid device, they may be picked up at the sound booth.



**OUR CHURCH FAMILY**



✚ If you are in need of prayer or Pastoral care, please call your Elder or the Church Office.

Jesus, who came among us to share our burdens, invites us to come to him: "Come to me, all you who are weary and heavy burdened, and I will give you rest...for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." (Matthew 11.28, 29) As we find our rest in him, let us serve one another through prayer, words, and deeds.

✚ We would like to thank everyone once again for all the support you have given to us through Menno’s sickness and the time following his passing. Your prayers and provision are truly appreciated. God Bless our Maranatha family.

**Tina D.& family**

✚ **Ed (Edith) D.** continues to recover at home from severe pain in his lower back.

✚ Please continue to remember those who are living with chronic health concerns or illnesses, such as: **Albert & Alice K., Ann S., Arlene H., Bill & Elaine K., Tina T.Steve & Johanna V., Fred and Florence D., Jennie S., May P., Hilda N., and Stan & Ria N., Marj M., Art & Alberta H., Ann H. and Grace K.**

**Today is Food Collection Sunday** - Please leave your non-perishable food items on the table set up in the foyer. Your donations will help those in need in our church and community. Thanks for your kindness and caring.

**Free Meal Deal** is next Sunday (Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>.) after the service (12:15pm) If you would like to help serve a warm home cooked meal to our young people, please contact Bette G.



**Thumbs Up:** Thanks to all who distributed the Christmas Services flyers to the neighbourhood. May the Lord use our efforts to bring his Good News to our City.

**Join CRWRC** in praising God for his faithfulness over the past 50 years of ministry. From 1962-2012, God has worked through the lives of thousands of CRWRC volunteers, supporters, partners, and staff to share his mercy and love with people who are poor and disadvantaged. Pray for God's continued blessings in the years ahead.

**From the Voice of the Martyrs** – Iran - Pray the Body of Christ will continue to multiply and mature despite persecution as it was announced there will be a new effort to fight the growth of house churches. Pray the government will be open to change and allow full rights and protection for non-Muslims. Pray that those who flee Iran will find refuge and help.

**\*\*\*\*\*YOUTH\*\*\*\*\*CADETS\*\*\*\*\*GEMS\*\*\*\*\***

**Youth** – Resumes **January 17<sup>th</sup>**. Maranatha Youth Group welcomes all Jr. and Sr. High School students to join our youth program, every Tuesday evening from 7 to 9 at the church, commencing January 17. Our program involves bible study, snacks, games and fun, and occasionally blowing things up (if you have Lloyd or Joseph as your leaders).

For more information, please contact:  
**For Sr. High** - Josh D., Keith A., Frank d., **For Jr. High girls**- Rachele E.,-Betsy D., **For Jr. High boys**- Joseph .

Help us to praise you, know you, and to act in a way that brings glory to your name. Let your church grow and make your kingdom come soon. Do what you want or what needs to be done through your people. Give us all we need, letting us know that all good things come from you, so we do not put faith in anything else. Don't hold against us our sins, and help us to forgive those who do wrong against us. Make us strong enough to resist the temptation that evil brings us. Uphold us against the world and all its woes.

**Cadets** – Resumes on **January 18<sup>th</sup>**

**GEMS** – Resumes on **January 11<sup>th</sup>**