



# COVENANT

## EVANGELICAL REFORMED CHURCH

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Lord's Day 29

July 22, 2018

**Church Theme 2018**

**BE YE HOLY**

**1 Peter 1:13-16**

### Welcome to CERC

We are a Reformed Church that holds to the doctrines of the Reformation as they are expressed in the Belgic Confession, the Heidelberg Catechism and the Canons of Dordt. We embrace the Reformed Faith with its emphasis on the absolute sovereignty of God over all people and events. This absolute sovereignty saves and preserves the people which He has chosen before the foundation of the world, through Jesus Christ. If you would like to know more about our beliefs, kindly contact any of our leaders:

Elder Chan Chee Seng  
Elder Chew Lap Meng  
Elder Lee Kong Wee  
Elder Leong Fai Chong  
Elder Lim Seow Thong

Deacon Cornelius Boon  
Deacon Lee Meng Hsien  
Deacon Tang Yoon Chuan

### Propriety in Worship

Worship is a sacred and holy experience. The people of God meet in public worship to seek God. Our focus in worship is to exalt God, to praise Him, and to listen to the preaching of His Holy Word. As such, the Bible expects all worshippers to:

- Be punctual for worship service – Psalm 63:1
- Be reverent in behavior – Exodus 3:5
- Be sincere in worship – John 4:24
- Be silent in worship when God speaks in the preaching – Habakkuk 2:20
- Be active in praise and prayer – Psalm 66:1-2

### Verse of the Week

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.  
*(Philippians 4: 19)*

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### Today's Program

9:30AM	Morning Worship Service
11:30AM	Men's and Ladies' Fellowship
12:30PM	Lunch Fellowship
2:00PM	Afternoon Worship Service

### Upcoming Events

Aug 09	Thurs	10:15AM	Family Seminar
Aug 22	Wed	TBC	Fellowship Outing
Sep 02	Sun	9:30AM	Lord's Supper
Sep 23	Sun	TBC	CERC 31 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary Celebration

## Pastoral Voice

Dearly beloved saints of CERC,

Today we welcome Prof Dykstra and Carol into our midst. Prof and his wife will be here for the next five Lord's day. Prof is here to help us with the pulpit supplies. We are thankful to God for their willingness to come all the way from USA to help us. We look forward to renew our warm Christian fellowship with them in the next few weeks.

As announced last Lord's day during the Congregation prayer, the Council of Grandville PRC (the appointed Calling church for Minister on Loan {MOL} to Singapore), has made a Trio, nominating Rev. Garrett Eriks, Rev. Steven Key and Rev Rodney Kleyn for MOL to Singapore. A congregational meeting has been scheduled by the Council of Grandville PRC on 5 August 2018 to extend a call to one of the ministers in the Trio. Let us continue to pray that the Lord's will be done and we could soon have a MOL to Singapore from our sister church. We are again thankful to God for our sister church in United States for all their love and care for us in Singapore.

Also, in this morning worship service we can witness the installation of Elder-elect Wee Gim Theng and Leong Fai Chong to the office of Elder for a three years term and Deacon-elect Paul Liu to the office of Deacon for a three years term. The installation of special offices speaks of Christ's faithfulness and care for His church. Let us pray for these men that they be diligent in performing the high calling of their respective offices and may God grant them the grace and strength to fulfil this calling. For us to enjoy this blessedness from our Lord Jesus Christ to His beloved church, let us listen to the instructions as provided in the Form of Ordination of Elders and Deacons:

*"Therefore, ye elders, be diligent in the government of the Church, which is committed to you, and the ministers of the Word. Be also, as watchmen over the house and city of God, faithful to admonish and to caution every one against his ruin; Take heed that purity of doctrine and godliness of life be maintained in the Church of God. And, ye deacons, be diligent in collecting the alms, prudent and cheerful in the distribution of the same: assist the oppressed, provide for the true widows and orphans, show liberality unto all men, but especially to the household of faith.*

*Be ye all with one accord faithful in your offices, and hold the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience, being good examples unto all the people. In so doing you will purchase to yourselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith, which is in Christ Jesus, and hereafter enter into the joy of our Lord.*

*On the other hand, beloved Christians, receive these men as the servants of God: count the elders that rule well worthy of double honour, give yourselves willingly to their inspection and government. Provide the deacons with good means to assist the indigent. Be charitable, ye rich, give liberally, and contribute willingly. And ye who are in need, look unto God in your need and thank Him, who by His Holy Spirit makes His church willing and able to supply your needs. Follow Christ, for the food of your souls, but not for bread. Let him that has stolen [or who has been burdensome to his neighbours] steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the things which are good, that he may give to him that needeth (Eph. 4:28). Each of you, doing these things in your respective callings, shall receive of the Lord, the reward of righteousness."*

Your servants in Christ's love,  
Session of CERC

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## Pastoral Visitation

Aug 01

William Ow and Family

Elder Wee & Deacon Boon

## Classes

### Catechism:

P1 – P3: Catechism resumes in Sep 2018

P4 – P6: Catechism resumes in Sep 2018

S1 – S2: Catechism resumes in Sep 2018

S3 – S4: Catechism resumes in Sep 2018

### Pre-Confession:

22 Jul: Meeting at 3:30pm

29 Jul: No Class

05 Aug: Meeting at 3:30pm

12 Aug: Meeting at 3:30pm

## Announcements

**FAMILY SEMINAR: Theme:** Dealing with Technology

**Date:** 9th August (National Day Public Holiday)

**Time:** 1015 am – 1 pm (Lunch provided)

**Speaker:** Prof Dykstra **Place:** CERC

**Note:** Registration is required. Kindly check the Notice Board.

### CKCKS ACTIVITY SCHEDULE:

- July 28 Free
- Aug 04 Workshop: Spiritual Disciplines (1) (Parents Invited)
- Aug 11 Outing
- Aug 18 CKCKS BS

### ADULT CI PROGRAM - JUL TO AUG: (VL – Video Lecture)

- 22 Jul Men & Ladies' Fellowship
- 05 Aug Speech by Prof. Dykstra
- 12 Aug Speech by Prof. Dykstra
- 19 Aug Speech by Prof. Dykstra
- 26 Aug VL - The Coming World Conquest of the Beast from the Sea (2/2)

### MEN'S FELLOWSHIP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. How can you be comforted when you do not enjoy the good things in life that a fellow christian is having?
2. How do you comfort a christian who is paralysed?
3. Is it wrong for a christian to be depressed?

Collections	Jul 08	Jul 15
General	\$5,094.20	\$5,018.75
Benevolent	-	-
Student Aid	\$1,384.85	\$1,782.55

### Bible Study Groups

**Bread of Life:** Eld. Lee's residence.

Study on Zechariah.

3<sup>rd</sup> Fri | 8:00PM

I/C: Eld. Chan

**Beulah:** Church.

Study on Romans.

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fri | 8:00PM

I/C: Dn. Lee

**Gethsemane:** Church.

Study on 1 Peter.

3<sup>rd</sup> Fri | 8:00PM

I/C: Bro. William Ow

**Shalom:** Robert & Grace residence.

Study on Genesis.

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri | 8:00PM

I/C: Bro. Robert Lee

**Ebenezer:** Enquire for venue/date.

Study on the Major Prophets.

Sat | Once monthly

I/C: Sis. Daisy Lim

**Glowing Candles:** Pastor's residence.

Study on The Fruit of the Spirit.

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed | 10:30AM

I/C: Sis. Wan Teng

Assistant: Sis. Jee Fung

**Living Stones:** Enquire for venue/date.

Study on 1 Peter

Once monthly on weekday | 8PM

I/C: Bro. Jun Trinidad

I/C: Bro. Andrew Lau

Announcements for next week's bulletin should reach cercbulletin@yahoo.com by 2:00PM Friday.

### Prayer Items

- Pray for the coming activities: Family Seminar (Aug 09)

	<u>Today (Jul 22)</u>	<u>Next Week (Jul 29)</u>
<b>Translation</b>	AM: Suet Wan / Lap Meng PM: Andrew Lau / Jean	AM: Suet Wan / Lap Meng PM: Andrew Lau / Jean
<b>Counting Offerings</b>	AM: Kah Pik, Siew Chin PM: Angela, Ah Moi	AM: Andrea, Michelle PM: Suet Yin, Foong Ngee
<b>Washing</b>	Noelene, Phoebe, Joy, Nathaniel	Joshua, Angela Ng, Zi En, Stanley, Wei Jie

## Morning (9:30 AM)

Prelude  
 Reading: Canons of Dordt  
 (Head 2, Article 8)  
 Call to Worship  
 Votum <sup>1</sup>  
 Opening Doxology <sup>2</sup>  
 Song 1 – Psalter 348  
 Reading of the Law  
 Song 2 – Psalter 327  
 Congregational Prayer  
 Song 3 – Psalter 21  
 Scripture Reading  
 Sermon  
 Offering (General)  
 Offertory Song <sup>3</sup> & Prayer  
 Song 4 – Psalter 166  
 Benediction  
 Doxology – Psalter 197

## A Promise To Pray For God's People (Installation)

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 12  
 Text: 1 Samuel 12: 23 - 24

- I. By Faithful Officebearers
  
  
  
- II. For God's People
  
  
  
- III. Unto a Godly Walk

Prof. Dykstra

## Afternoon (2:00 PM)

Prelude  
 Call to Worship  
 Votum <sup>1</sup>  
 Opening Doxology <sup>2</sup>  
 Song 1 – Psalter 265  
 Congregational Prayer  
 Song 2 – Psalter 125  
 Scripture Reading  
 Sermon  
 Offering (Student Aid)  
 Offertory Song <sup>3</sup> & Prayer  
 Song 3 – Psalter 241  
 Benediction  
 Doxology – Psalter 197

## God's Covenant Faithfulness: Our Pattern For Marriage

Scripture Reading: Hosea 2  
 Text: Lord's Day 41

- I. The Beautiful Pattern
  
  
  
- II. The Struggle to Imitate
  
  
  
- III. The Blessedness of Faithfulness

Prof. Dykstra

### <sup>1</sup> Votum

Our help is in the  
 name of Jehovah,  
 who has made the heaven and  
 the earth.

### <sup>2</sup> Opening Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,  
 Praise Him all creatures here below,  
 Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,  
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### <sup>3</sup> Offertory Song

O Lord accept our offering  
 Receive and bless the gifts we bring  
 To Thee as Prophet, Priest and King  
 I yield my heart, my offering.