

**[WELCOME]** We are glad you are here! At Fleetwood CRC we believe that God is calling us to **reach up** to Him in worship and prayer, **reach in** to each other for learning, fellowship and accountability, and **reach out** to our community with God's love. May you be blessed by your time here, and leave reminded of God's love for you.

**[NEW TO FLEETWOOD CRC?]** The order of our service reflects the Reformed tradition of which we are a part. Our worship is centred on Word and sacrament: every week we hear the Scriptures, **God's Word** is preached, and we celebrate the sacrament of the **Lord's Supper** together monthly. The **Christ candle** at the front of the Sanctuary reminds us of Christ's presence. Please fill out a **communication card** in your pew and place it in the offering basket at the back doors. This is so we can get in touch with you and get you connected to our church community.

**[CHILDREN'S CHURCH]** Children age 3 - Grade 3 are invited forward for a brief children's time before they go upstairs for worship & a Bible lesson.

**[CHILDREN FOR CHRIST]** C4C for children Grade 4-7 meet on the 1st Tuesday (6:30-8pm) and the 3rd Sunday of the month (during the service)

**[NURSERY]** Available upstairs for infants and toddlers up to age 3. Each parent is provided with a pager for a call-back if necessary.

**[PRAYER]** If you are looking for a quiet, space for prayer, please feel free to use the prayer room upstairs overlooking the sanctuary. If you would like **someone to pray with you**, a member of our prayer team would love to meet you for prayer at the right of the stage after the service. If you would like to submit a prayer request to our prayer team email [prayer@fleetwoodcrc.org](mailto:prayer@fleetwoodcrc.org).

**[SMALL GROUPS]** To join a small group, start a new one, or wonder a bit more about the place of small groups in the Christian life, please contact a pastor or our church office administrator.

**[DAILY PRAYER]** Lord, we pray we may live a life centered in the Holy Spirit. Pray for a life that bears rich fruit and that all the good things that come from following the Spirit will bring much glory and praise to You. Amen.

**Fleetwood CRC** is led by a Council of Elders and Deacons along with staff. If you have a pastoral need or would like to talk to someone confidentially, we encourage you to contact one of the Pastors, Elders, or church office. Our passion is to connect deeply with those around us, to encourage each other to trust Jesus more and more, and to help each other become the people God is calling us to be.

**CHAIR OF COUNCIL:** Gil Vergilio

**VICE CHAIR:** John Bron **CLERK:** Henk Van Andel

**DEACON REP TO ADMIN:** Linda Knopp

**MEMBER AT LARGE:** Donna Klomps

**CHAIR OF DEACONS:** Michael Milankovics

**REACHING UP:** *Elders* - Joyce Van Ravenstein, Case Van Dop, *Deacon* - Manny Valoma

**REACHING IN:** *Elders* - Donna Klomps, Jim Tolsma, Jan Rooker, *Deacon*—Tim Yzerman

*Visiting Elders:* Wilma Gleddie, Beatrice Vanderbos, Joyce Klomps, Wendy Hanschke

**REACHING OUT:** *Elder* - Margaret Verkaik, *Deacon* Joe Milankovics, Michael Milankovics

**[HOW TO GET INVOLVED]** Members and guests are encouraged to participate in the ministries of the church. Our pastors would be happy to meet with you to determine where your gifts would best fit in our community. Information about weekly activities/ events can be found in our bulletin & on the website.

**[OFFICE HOURS]** 9am - 4pm Monday - Friday

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Series: Encounters with Jesus

Title: Safe People, Safe Congregations



Service Time: 10am

Scripture: John 15:1-8

Date: April 14, 2024

Welcome to worship this morning. We invite you to join us online or in-person @ 10am. We encourage you to visit our website [www.fleetwoodcrc.org](http://www.fleetwoodcrc.org).

### [CHURCH FAMILY UPDATES]

Prayers of gratitude to our Heavenly Father to thank Him for looking beyond our faults and for loving us unconditionally. Pray for forgiveness when we fail to love others in the same way. Ask that He give us eyes to see the needs of those in our lives, and that he shows us how to meet those needs in a way that pleases Him.

Pray for those whose health limits them to gather in-person. Pray they may feel God's presence and continue to worship with us in spirit.

Pray for strength and grace for those whose health is failing. As we are faced with hard decisions, pray we may seek our Lord first, knowing He will put all the pieces into place.

Pray for the leaders in our church. Pray for God's guidance in their work. Pray for hospitality, patience and love for what is good. Pray for our congregation, that we may be a joy to our leadership so they may continue to feel encouraged in their serving. "Pray that the church will worship God in spirit and in truth". John 4:24

As council continues to discern nominees for elders and deacon, please join in this process through prayer and sharing names of those who could serve as an elder and deacon. Send your nominations to our council clerk, Henk Van Andel.

**ENCOURAGEMENT & THANKS:** "We were deeply moved by the many ways in which you shared your care and concern with the passing of our son, Irwin DeVries. Thank you." *Frank and Celia*

**[TODAY'S OFFERING] M2W2** Man to man, Woman to woman – this Christian non-profit organization provides 1 on 1 visits with prisoners/ex-prisoners, and with parents of young children at risk of abuse and neglect. They offer services designed to prevent re-offences, including job search assistance, housing assistance, info and referrals, intros to social opportunities, and on going support. Visit their [website](#) for more information. You may give your offering to the church or [online](#).

### [OFFERINGS FOR APRIL 2024]

**APR 7:** Deacons-Refugee Support Fund

**APR 14:** M2W2

**APR 21:** Surrey Food Bank

**APR 28:** Indigenous Ministry Canada

### [THIS WEEK AT FLEETWOOD CRC]

**SUN, APR 14:** Worship - 10am (*in-person/ online*)

**TUES, APR 16:** Senior's Exercise 10-11:30am, Youth—Ikea Scavenger Hunt 6:30-9pm, 'You Are What You Love' book study 7pm, Stephen Ministry Meeting 7pm

**WED, APR 17:** Youth Unlimited—Muffin Morning 9:30-12pm, Mid-Week Prayer Group 1-2pm, Consistory Meeting 4pm, Reaching IN Meeting 7pm, Young Adults 7pm, AA Book Club 7-8pm

**FRI, APR 19:** Will & Estate Planning Presentation in the 1Life Learning Hub 9:30-11am

**SAT, APR 20:** Outdoor Group biking Yarrow/Tulips (*meet at the church at 9am*)

### [COMING UP]

**GATHERING FOR WORSHIP:** For this season leading up to Ascension Day and Pentecost, we will continue our series 'Encounters with Jesus'. This week Sunday the CRC is observing Abuse Awareness Sunday. The theme this year is 'Safe People, Safe Congregations'. With this theme in mind, we will consider Jesus' instruction on bearing fruit found in John 15:1-8.

**POST EASTER SMALL GROUP:** Our 7-session book study 'You Are What You Love', by James Smith begins this Tuesday, April 16 at 7pm. This will be a great time to reflect together on the Spiritual power of habits for family life and work. [Follow this link](#) to sign up or complete the sign-up sheet at our welcome center.

**NURSERY VOLUNTEER TRAINING:** All nursery attendants are requested to attend a brief Safe Church training after the morning service on **April 21** in the 1Life room. Please let [Natasha Vedder](#) know if you have any questions.

**SAFE CHURCH MINISTRY:** Is looking for another member(s) to join the Safe Ministry Team. If this is something you are interested in, please reach out to [Daphne Yzerman](#) and she will be more than happy to answer any of your questions.

**SUMMER OUTREACH INTERN POSTIONS:** Thinking about your summer plans? If you are looking for a

summer job, consider applying to Fleetwood CRC for one of two openings for Summer Outreach Intern. These positions are 16-week duration (*starting May 6/24*). For a copy of the job description and to apply, [please click here](#). Questions? Email Brian at [bmwoudst@telus.net](mailto:bmwoudst@telus.net).

**INVITATION TO "OPEN HOMES":** Since Hassina and Wali's family may arrive sooner than expected, we may need dwelling space for them for a few weeks upon arrival as we prepare their 1-year home. We will likely need several households to open their homes and invite some of the family members (*a single person, a couple, a couple with kids*) to live with you for a 1-week period. **Note:** your responsibilities will be limited to accommodation and meals only; the Refugee Support Team will handle all resettlement activities. If you are able to open your home in this way, or are just interested in exploring the idea, please contact Brian W. at 604-312-6553 or [bmwoudst@telus.net](mailto:bmwoudst@telus.net).

### [COMMUNITY EVENTS]

**1LIFE NEWSLETTER:** Please take a moment to read a copy of [1Life Foundation's newsletter](#). There are many opportunities and events to consider.

**WILL & ESTATE PLANNING:** Friday, Apr. 19 from 9:30-11am @ 1Life learning hub at Fleetwood CRC. Christian Stewardship Consultant, Bill Murray will share how to plan or update your Will & Estate portfolio, explore distribution options to family & charity, maximize & simplify your charitable giving.

**GLORIA DEI CHORALE:** "Life, Love, and Loss." With Mozart's "Requiem". **Sat, April 20 at 7pm**, at [New West CRC](#) and **Sun, April 21 at 3pm**, at [South Abbotsford Church](#). Ticket Advance Sales: General Admission \$30, Student \$20 and [Eventbrite](#). At the door: General Admission \$35, Students - \$25.

### LEADING IN WORSHIP - APRIL 14, 2024

**A/V BOOTH:** Simon V. (*Sound*), Camden B. (*Camera*), Wendy V. (*Projection*) **MUSIC:** Sharlene B. (*Piano*), Jason V. (*Guitar*), Ted P. (*Bass*), Manny V. (*Drums*), Jennifer & Olivia S. (*Vocals*)

**PREACHER:** Justin Roukema