

Reformed Church Southern Suburbs

An English-speaking plant & ward of the Bellville RCSA

Order of service :: 9:30AM :: 31 January 2016

* Call to worship, invocation & votum (Psalm 18:1-3)

* *Song of Praise*: Ps 103 (#6)

Corporate confession of Faith: Apostles' Creed (p845)

Sing: Doxology ~

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reading of the Law: Deut. 5:6-20; Rom. 7:7-8

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Gal. 2:15-16

* Song of thanksgiving Hymn #257

Prayer of illumination

Reading: Galatians 3:25-29

Sermon: Baptised into Jesus Christ

Congregational prayer

Offering

* Concluding song: Hymns #44

* Benediction

* Please stand if you are able

Order of evening service :: 6PM

* Call to worship, invocation & votum

* *Song of Praise*: Hymn #53

Prayer

* *Song of thanksgiving*: Ps 118 (#613)

Readings: Deut. 5:21; Rom. 7:7-8:11; Heidelberg LD 44

Sermon: The Tenth Commandment - small beginnings

Offering

* Concluding song: Ps 23 (#87)

* Benediction

* Please stand if you are able

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For your meditation this Lord's Day:

"Man re-created in the image of God is restored to the hope of the formal-physical image-glory of resurrection immortality and Spiritual existence. Meanwhile, God has prepared for the new man the covering of eternal glory, gives him the earnest of the Spirit (1 Cor. 5:5). In his redemptive renewal man is re-created after the image of God in true knowledge, righteousness and holiness (Eph. 4:24; Col. 3:10) and with respect to this ethical glory-likeness to God man is transformed from glory to glory by the Spirit of the Lord (2 Cor. 3:18; 4:16; Rom. 12:2). Beyond the official-functional glory the new man has in the realm of common grace, he has through his union with Christ in the Spirit a part in Christ's enthronement in the heavenly sphere (Eph. 2:6). In this respect too there is the "first resurrection," the intermediate state, where the believer, perfect in righteousness, is present with Christ to live and reign with him (Rev. 20:4-6), and beyond the second (i.e. bodily) resurrection the newcomers, possessed of the fulness of formal and ethical glory, participate with the enthroned Christ in the consummation of man's official royal glory (Rev. 3:21)." Meredith Kline, *Images of the Spirit*, 32-33.

Announcements*:

- :: Adult Bible Class and children's catechism
- :: Evening service at 18h00
- :: Bible study this Tuesday
- :: Church braai social – 5 February :: 18h30 :: Kenilworth
- :: “Offerings by members:

The Church Council recently deliberated on guidelines for members regarding their offerings. These offerings are used to pay the “running costs” of the church, including the support of the minister. At the outset, it must be stated that no rigid rules ought to be set, but rather that guidelines must be provided, which can serve as a recommended minimum for the giving of offerings. It is important to note that offering is one of the ways in which we show our gratitude according to his or her means (see e.g. Deut 16:17 and 2 Cor 8:12). Therefore any guideline can only be that – a guideline, and each member should examine him- or herself before the Lord regarding this aspect. The Church Council therefore decided that, as a general guideline, members should offer at least 5% of their gross monthly income (after taxes but before any other deductions) to the church, with a further 5% for collections and other church fundraising or projects. Each member of GK Bellville must examine him- or herself before the Lord regarding his or her offering.”

:: Kindly refrain from parking on the grass on Scout Hall premises or neighborhood verges/sidewalks

Ways you can serve each other?

- :: Church flyer drop in the southern suburbs?
- :: Visit Dorothy Lucejko at Helen Keller?
- :: Open your home and show hospitality?
- :: Pray for each other?
- :: And... ?

Tea Duty

31 Jan: Delilah – Milk; Deana – Biscuits
 7 Feb: Jana – Milk; Lynne – Biscuits

Recent and upcoming birthdays

Bernard Botha – 2 February (bernardbotha84@gmail.com)

* For more, RC Bellville Bulletin (“Loot”) can be viewed at:
<http://www.gkbellville.org/loot.htm>

Prayer:

:: **Great commission:** NAPARC churches; Rondebosch East

:: **The persecuted church:** Christians attacked by militant Islamic groups in Africa/ Middle East

:: **Our sick:** Dorothy Lucejko; Richard Jooste; Lydia Snyman; Andries (and Linda) Coetzee; Anzel Botha

:: **Our students:** Andie and Willem de Villiers; Sessie Ndou; Marleen Curtis; Alta du Plooy; Yenny Park; Hilda Schnetler; Lina Groenewald

Prayer requests/your contact details/notes:

Where does justifying faith come from? “The Holy Spirit produces it in our hearts by the preaching of the gospel, and confirms it through our use of the holy sacraments.” (Heidelberg Catechism Q/A 65; cf. Jn 3:5, Rom. 10:17, Matt. 28:19-20, 1 Cor. 10:16)

Banking details:

Account name: RCSS
 Bank: ABSA
 Checking account #: 929 012 6497
 (Please note that all offerings made during the morning service and via EFT go toward RCSS-related expenses, and any excess is deposited into an RCSS bank account for future use.)