

# KELLOGGSVILLE CONNECTIONS

March, 2019

*The Connections is a monthly publication of church news and events. The next one will be published on April 7. The deadline for submissions is the Tuesday before publication.*

## Upcoming Sundays

### March 10

**Daylight Savings Time Begins**

#### **Communion**

#### **First Sunday in Lent**

9:30 am: Worship Service  
(Pastor Martin)  
11 am: Discovery

### March 17

#### **Second Sunday in Lent**

9:30 am: Worship Service  
(Pastor Martin)  
11 am: Discovery

### March 24

#### **Third Sunday in Lent**

9:30 am: Worship Service  
(Pastor Martin)  
11 am: Discovery  
12 pm: Fellowship Lunch

### March 31

#### **Fourth Sunday in Lent**

9:30 am: Worship Service  
(Pastor Martin)

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## Picture Jesus

Wednesday, March 6 was Ash Wednesday, which begins the season of Lent. During Lent, our Sunday morning sermon series will focus on different portraits of Jesus. The series, called "Picture Jesus", is an opportunity for all of us to think reflectively and devotionally about our relationship with God by focusing on the person and work of Jesus.

Each week we will look at a different portrait of Jesus that reveals something more about who he is. These portraits, or pictures, of Jesus are all from the gospel of John.

March 10 – Bread of Life  
March 17 – Living Water  
March 24 – Miracle Worker  
March 31 – Foot Washer  
April 7 – King  
April 19 – Lamb (Good Friday)  
April 21 – Resurrection & Life (Easter)

Christianity revolves around the person of Jesus the Christ, and how we think about Jesus determines how we interact with Him. If we thought of Jesus as just a historical man, would we pray to him? Seek to model our lives after him? I doubt it. The truth is, not only does the way we think about Jesus affect the way we act and live, but the way we act and live points back to what we really think about Jesus. That is why it is important to ask the witnesses of the Bible, "Who is

Jesus?", and then to decide for ourselves, "Who do I believe Jesus is?"

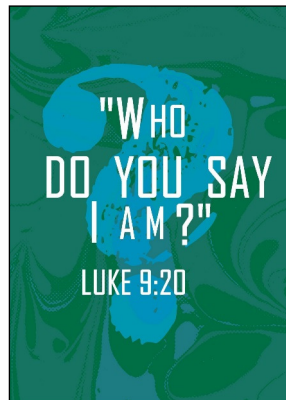
Jesus asked that very question of his disciples, as we read in the gospel of Luke: "Who do people say I am?" 'Well,' they replied, 'some say John the

Baptist, some say Elijah, and others say you are one of the other ancient prophets risen from the dead.' Then he asked them, 'But who do you say I am?' Peter replied, 'You are the Messiah sent from God!' (Luke 9:18-20, NLT)

The purpose of John's gospel is to highlight the divine nature of Jesus Christ and his

eternal existence, so that we grow in our faith and understanding that Jesus is indeed the Son of God. According to the gospel of John, Jesus' story begins before God created anything: "In the beginning the Word [that is, Jesus] already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it." (John 1:1-5, NLT)

Again, it should be clear that Christianity revolves around the person of Jesus the Christ. How we think about Jesus determines how we interact with Him. That is why we are



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going to spend some time together looking at these different pictures of Jesus, because when we see him as:

the bread of life,  
the living water,  
the miracle worker,  
the foot washer,



the king,  
the lamb,  
and the resurrection  
and life,

we can decide for  
ourselves, how will  
that affect the way

that I act? If Jesus is indeed all of  
these things, then learning to live

a Jesus-centered way of life is our  
only appropriate and grateful  
response.

Join us in discovering our  
relationship to God through  
focusing on the person and work  
of Jesus.

Yours in Christ, *Pastor Martin*

## Update from Search Committee

The search committee continues to do its work of interviewing potential candidates for our three part-time positions. You may have noticed over the last month we have had three

visitors worship with us who are applying for one or more of our positions. One candidate is

interested in a full time position combining Director of Music and Worship with Director of Faith Formation. Another candidate is interested in a full time position combining Director of Faith Formation with Director of Missional Living. Another candidate is interested in the part time position of Director of Missional Living. The Search Committee was encouraged by



the interviews, and excited about the candidates.

You may remember that we applied for a grant from Classis Grand Rapids South for our

Director of Missional Living position, and were granted three years of funding by the Established Church

Development Committee. The first year we will receive a grant of \$10,000, the second year they anticipate reducing our grant to \$8,000 and the final year to our grant for this position will be \$6,000. The ECDC chair stated that they were "excited about this ministry and feel it really makes sense in your context."

Please continue to be in prayer for God's leading as we continue the interview process. The Search Committee will be meeting again on Thursday, March 14. We ask for prayers for God's leading in this process, and hope to be able to give recommendations to Council before Easter.

On behalf of the committee,

*Steve Petersen*

### Committee members:

Lisa Bosma  
Cheri Diemer  
Steve Petersen (Chairperson)  
Jason Slot (Council elder)  
James Snyder (Council deacon)  
Katie Vandenberg  
Brian VanderMeulen  
Pastor Martin (Advisor/Non-voting)

## Requested Announcement

From Missions Committee: The "Go and Tell Evangelism Seminar" is an easy and practical way to equip you to share the gospel. Based on the Heidelberg Catechism, this 3-hour seminar will provide



you with the tools to be active in sharing your faith with others.

Synod 2018 endorsed "Go and Tell" as a recommended resource for

evangelism. The seminar will be

held on Saturday, March 23, from 9AM-12PM at Calvin Seminary. There is a suggested donation of \$5, and you can register at [www.covenant-crc.org/gotell](http://www.covenant-crc.org/gotell). Contact Pastor Henry Schenkel at [henry.schenkel@covenant-crc.org](mailto:henry.schenkel@covenant-crc.org) if you have questions.

## Cadet Burger Fry Fundraising Dinner

The Cadet Boys' Club invites you to their annual Burger Fry Fundraiser on Wednesday, March 20. Come to the Family Life Center (gym) from 5-7 pm for a meal of hamburgers and hot dogs, potato salad, baked beans, chips, ice cream, and drinks, prepared and



served by the Kelloggsville Church Cadets and their leaders!

The money raised will help boys from our club go to the Cadet International Camporee next summer (summer of 2020) at Camp Great Lakes in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Camporees are

the largest true wilderness camping experience in the world. Organized on the same small group basis as the local Cadet club, this unique wilderness camping experience brings more than a thousand men and boys together for eight days of skill development, fun, and inspiration. Camporees are hosted by local groups and can be held anywhere in North America.

## Fellowship Lunch to End our Discovery Season

Sunday, March 24 is our final week of Discovery for the season. To celebrate the great first year we've had, we will be having a fellowship luncheon on that day.



We hope that everyone will stay for this time of food and conversation with your church family. Start time for lunch will be around Noon, and our wonderful Hospitality Team will be

planning, making, and serving the main dish. We ask that anyone who is able to please bring a side dish to supplement the main dish. All are welcome, whether you've been to all, some, or none of our Discovery sessions this year!

## Easter Flower Sale

As in previous years, we will be offering a variety of spring flowers for pre-purchase. The flowers will decorate the front of church on Easter Sunday, which is on April 21 this year. You can take your



flower(s) home with you after the service. If your flower is in memory of a loved one, please indicate that on the order form and we will print those in a flier on Easter Sunday. The deadline for ordering

flowers is Sunday, April 7. Order forms are at the Info Booth, along with a box for payments. Cost this year is \$7.25 per flower (make checks out to KCRC), and there are several types and colors from which to choose.

## Mark Your Calendars

Please mark your calendars for these special worship services that are coming up at church:

On **April 14**, the children and youth will be leading us in a special **Palm Sunday service at 9:30 AM**. They will be sharing the

drama "Tale of Three Trees" as part of the service.

On **April 19**, there will be a **Good Friday service at 6:30 PM**. As part of this service we will participate in the Lord's Supper.

**April 21 is Easter**. There will be an **Easter breakfast** in the FLC at **8:30 AM**, followed by **Easter worship at 9:30 AM**. The youth/adult choir that is currently practicing during Discovery will sing during that service.

# March Church Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY/SATURDAY
<b>MARCH 10</b> <b>Daylight Savings Time Begins</b> <b>First Sunday in Lent</b> <b>Communion</b> 8:30 am: Chin Sunday School 9:30 am: Worship 11:00 am: Discovery 12:30 pm: French Service 1 pm: Chin Service	<b>11</b> 3:30 pm: Kids' Life Bible Club 6-7:30 pm: Alliance FC 6:30/8 pm: Women2 Women	<b>12</b> 5:30-7 pm: Alliance FC	<b>13</b> 3:15 pm: GRiver Prep Student Bible Study 6-7:30 pm: Alliance FC 6 pm: Deacon 7 pm: Council	<b>14</b> 8:15 am: Griver Prep Prayer Group 5:30-7 pm: Alliance FC	<b>15/16</b> Sat: 5-8 pm: French Prayer Group Sat: 5-10 pm: Chin Choir/ Youth Group
<b>17</b> <b>Second Sunday in Lent</b> 8:30 am: Chin Sunday School 9:30 am: Worship 11:00 am: Discovery 12:30 pm: French Service 1 pm: Chin Service	<b>18</b> 3:30 pm: Kids' Life Bible Club 6-7:30 pm: Alliance FC	<b>19</b> 5:30-7 pm: Alliance FC 7 pm: Men's Network Bible Study	<b>20</b> 9:30 am: Joy Club 3:15 pm: GRiver Prep Student Bible Study 5-7 pm: Cadets Burger Fry 6:45 pm: Gems 7 pm: Shepherd Leaders	<b>21</b> 8:15 am: Griv Prep Moms in Prayer 5:30-7 pm: Alliance FC	<b>22/23</b> Sat: 12-3 pm: Non-member WC rental for a recital Sat: 5-8 pm: French Prayer Group Sat: 5-10 pm: Chin Choir/ Youth Group
<b>24</b> <b>Third Sunday in Lent</b> 8:30 am: Chin Sunday School 9:30 am: Worship 11:00 am: Discovery 12:00 pm: Fellowship Lunch 12:30 pm: French Service 1 pm: Chin Service	<b>25</b> 3:30 pm: Kids' Life Bible Club 6-7:30 pm: Alliance FC 6:30/8 pm: Women2 Women	<b>26</b> 5:30-7 pm: Alliance FC	<b>27</b> 3:15 pm: GRiver Prep Student Bible Study 7 pm: Elders	<b>28</b> 8:15 am: Griv Prep Prayer 5:30-7 pm: Alliance FC	<b>29/30</b> Sat: 5-8 pm: French Prayer Group Sat: 5-10 pm: Chin Choir/ Youth Group
<b>31</b> <b>Fourth Sunday in Lent</b> 8:30 am: Chin Sunday School 9:30 am: Worship 12:30 pm: French Service 1 pm: Chin Service	<b>APRIL 1</b>	<b>2</b> 7 pm: Men's Network Bible Study	<b>3</b> 9:30 am: Joy Club	<b>4</b> 9:00 am: Senior Singles Breakfast	<b>5/6</b> Sat: 5-8 pm: French Prayer Group Sat: 5-10 pm: Chin Choir/ Youth Group

## Birthdays to Celebrate

### Birthdays of Members 70+

#### March

26 Don Knight  
 30 Kaye Noorman (90)

#### April

11 Mary Lou Hofman  
 23 Lorraine Kuipers (84)

### Staff/Missionary Birthdays

#### March

11 Rev. George deVuyst

#### April

05 Josh Shaarda  
 21 Bob Timmer  
 25 Caspar Geisterfer

