

Grade 10 Class visits URC Classis & Warplane Heritage Museum

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Last week Wednesday, the Grade 10s spent the day in Hamilton. The first couple of hours were spent at the URC Classis Southwestern Ontario. Rev. Sinke, who led a mock classis in our class a few weeks ago, invited us to observe what a real classis meeting looks like. The connection to our Bible 10 church history unit was our study of different forms of church government after the break from the Catholic church occurred. We all believe that there is one Church, one Bride of Christ, and yet we worship in different congregations. We saw in Acts 15 that a controversial issue in the early church was dealt with by the leaders and a letter sent to churches to follow their direction. The day before the classis meeting, students also looked at the church order. Being able to see a short part of classis gave our students a glimpse into how our congregations seek to work together for the furtherance of the kingdom. It was also neat to see some of Roberts' Rules in action, which we practiced these with Rev. Sinke in the mock classis.



The rest of the day was spent at the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum, in connection with the Grade 10 History curriculum. Students are learning about World War Two and the contributions Canada made in fighting and on the home front. Students were given a tour of the museum by various tour guides showing us aircraft from World War 2. The highlight for many was seeing the Avro Lancaster – one of the most famous Allied bombers of the Second World War. Seventeen Lancasters survived the war, but only two are in flying condition including the one we saw – and for just \$3,900/person you can take a flight in it!

Part of the tour was learning about the Battle of Britain. The Battle of Britain took place in 1940, near the beginning of the war, and was Hitler's attempt to defeat the Royal Air Force (RAF) to have complete control over the skies of England. Britain avoided defeat and historians view this as the point where Britain knew victory in World War 2 was attainable (talk to a Grade 10 student if you'd like to learn more about the battle).

The museum set up a simulation for students to act as “plotters” who would use their radio technology to plot where the enemy aircraft were heading and inform the RAF where to go. This activity gave us a small glimpse into the knowledge and technology needed during the war. Students caught on quickly that the aircraft was headed to London, England. We're thankful for the opportunity to visit the museum and the great job the tour guides did. We would also like to thank the chaperones and drivers who gave their time to make this trip possible.

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General Information

Teamworks store openings: Both of our Teamwork Source for Sports stores will be opening this November. Please note the different weblinks, order dates and arrival dates.

1. **The spirit-wear store** will be open Friday November 3 - Saturday November 11. These orders are guaranteed to arrive before Christmas. <https://www.sourceteamworks.com/collections/providence-reformed-collegiate>
2. **The Phys. Ed. store** will be open Thursday November 16 – Saturday December 2. These orders should order mid-January. Students who make the winter sports team and desire a sweater for that can order using this site; students in grade 10 Phys. Ed. may also purchase shorts via this link. <https://www.sourceteamworks.com/collections/pvc-phys-ed>

Grade 10 parents: Please remember that your son/daughter has Phys. Ed. class next semester. The uniform code is as follows: “Gym wear is to be worn in Physical Education classes and at organized athletic events. It may also be worn during lunch hour. The gym uniform consists of black athletic shorts with a minimum 5” inseam, athletic grey or black shirts (no graphics) and black athletic pants (no leggings or yoga pants). The shorts must be purchased from our uniform supplier or Spirit Wear provider.” <https://www.providencerc.com/uniforms.html> During cold weather, pants and sweaters/coats may be added; they need to follow our uniform code but do not need to be purchased from a specific supplier. **If you need to order shorts, you can put in an order from November 16-December 22 when the Phys. Ed. store is open on Teamworks:** <https://www.sourceteamworks.com/collections/pvc-phys-ed> Shorts may also be ordered from Land’s End in our collection there.

Yearbook: If you are cheering on our teams at either the boys volleyball or girls basketball tournaments this weekend, the Yearbook team would love to have your photos! Please email full size photos to Mrs. Pieterman at lpeterman@providencerc.com. Thanks!

Athletics

Girls' Volleyball: Tryouts are quickly nearing! Our first tryout is Wednesday, Nov. 8 from 4-6pm at CCS, and the second is Wednesday, Nov. 15 from 4-6pm at CCS. Please ensure your child has a ride to CCS and home arranged. The coach this year is Mrs. Bergsma, and the assistant coach is Jocelyn Li. If you have any questions and/or your child can't attend one of the tryouts, please have them reach out to Mrs. Bergsma. Looking forward to seeing your athletes there!

Boys' Basketball tryouts: We're very excited for the upcoming season! All tryouts and practices will be at CCS on Mondays, from 4-6pm. The tryout dates are November 6 and November 20. Rev. Moerdyk will be coaching, with Mr. de Visser in the supportive role. If you have any questions, please reach out. We look forward to a great season.

Fall Fundraising Drive

The purpose of the drive is to supplement the tuition income of the school in an effort to balance the operating budget without placing undue burden on tuition paying families. The school relies on the support of the covenant community at large to assist in making Christ-centered education available and affordable for our children.

This year the goal is to raise **\$473,031** between Thanksgiving and the Christmas season. This is no doubt a formidable amount at first glance, and especially so when we try to tackle it on our own. However, when we join together before the Lord to seek His provision, work faithfully together, and give sacrificially, we can trust that our needs will be met. We ask that each of you join us in this task, prayerfully consider a donation to the drive, and give generously, as you are able.

If you have questions or require further information, please contact Ian Benjamins, chairman, PRC Finance Committee at benjamins.ian@providencerc.com



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OCSSAA Sports Tournament – Friday, November 3 and Saturday, November 4

If you'd like to follow along with our OCSSAA tournaments this weekend, you can use the following links. Some of the girls' basketball games will be livestreamed; links will be posted on the students' main Teams page when we receive the links.

- Boys' volleyball - <https://sites.google.com/qchs.ca/ocssaaboysvolleyball/home>
- Girls' basketball - <https://sites.google.com/guidodebres.com/ocssaasgbb/home>



Save the Date

Providence Christmas Concert: Providence Reformed Collegiate invites you to join us for our Christmas Concert, 'There is a Yearning' on Friday, December 8, 2023, at 7:30pm at Providence United Reformed Church, 447 Second Street, Strathroy.

Choir Percussion Accompanists: Mrs. Boeringa is looking for several students (8-10) to play some percussion instruments for a few of our Christmas concert pieces. If you are musically gifted or interested in this, you are strongly encouraged to take up this opportunity!



Upcoming Events

New Student Day



NEW STUDENT DAY

**NOVEMBER 29,
2023**

NEW STUDENT DAY INCLUDES:

VISIT A CLASS

STUDENT PANEL

CREW ACTIVITIES

GROUP-BUILDING ACTIVITIES

GUIDANCE PRESENTATION

FREE LUNCH

Parent Information Evening

Providence Reformed Collegiate

Parent Information Evening

www.providencerc.com

February 5,
8:00 pm



Course Updates

Grade 9

Bible 9 – Mrs. Vandermeiden: This week, students will complete their genealogies of Jesus Christ and submit their beautiful work on Tuesday, November 7. We will begin an essay on King David, which will give students an opportunity to develop their essay writing skills as they investigate the significance of David's kingship, both for the Old Testament and in light of Christ's fulfillment in the New Testament.

French 9 – Mrs. Bergsma: What does a healthy lifestyle look like? In our second unit, the students are looking at healthy food specifically. We're also learning how to compare using the comparative and superlative. Next week, we will move on to talking about the nicest areas to live in Ontario depending on preference.

Healthy Active Living 9 – Mr. Pennings: The class has been working on developing their road hockey skills. In health class we have started our study of healthy eating habits. The next physical activity in gym class will be dodgeball and fitness.

Learning Strategies 9 – Mrs. Pieterman: We have a few things on the go! We're working through our novel “I am David” in a Literature Circle format. This week a number of students had not done their homework and so were unprepared for the discussion. I've reminded them that it is their responsibility, as part of a group, to be prepared for their role each week. So, for next week Thursday, November 9, students should have read Chapters 5&6 and completed their role sheet. If they've forgotten their role, they can find the schedule on Teams in our Class Notebook or send me a chat. We will also be having a test on Wednesday, November 8. The review for the test is also on Teams.

Science 9 – Mr. Ellens: Next week Monday we will be reviewing in class. On Tuesday we have a test on our chemistry unit. The review has been posted along with the notes.

Grade 10

Bible 10 – Mr. de Visser: The final church history unit test is on Tuesday, November 7. The Church History Project is due on Thursday, November 9. We're ending our unit trying to articulate how our spiritual heritage in Church history can inform us in our calling and mission into the future.

Canadian History since World War I – Miss Averink: We have completed our unit on Canada throughout the

1920s and 1930s. We will be watching the Heritage Minutes created by students on Monday (a reminder they are due by 11:59 on Saturday). Next week we will be looking at various aspects of World War 2. Students will also be assigned their next unit project.

Math 10D – Mr. Vander Deen: We are progressing well through Chapter 3. This week we took a day to work on problem solving and math contest preparation. We have a problem-solving test scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 8. Students received a preparation handout on Thursday and an old contest that they could use to practice with. If students are looking for more practice, they can use past contests from here:

https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past_contests.html.

Math 10P – Mrs. Barrett/Mrs. Tenhage: We will continue to use proportional reasoning, imperial and metric systems, and practice solving problems using area, perimeter, and volume. Students will do an in-class problem-solving assessment next week. Unit 4 test Thursday November 9th. Our unit after that is focused on trigonometry.

Science 10D – Ms. Xu: Students have learned how to name various types of compounds and write formulas. We had a quiz every day last week and students has done an excellent job understanding the concepts. We will review the chapter and have chapter 5 test on Thursday.

Grade 11 and 12

Accounting Essentials – Miss Averink: Next week Wednesday we will be having a guest speaker, Mr. Peter Tenvoorde a partner at MW & Co. in Woodstock, ON. He will come to speak to us about careers in Accounting and offer advice. Students have been working on their Berrigan Enterprises Assignment. This is worth 10% of their final grade and students will need to ensure they have these complete. The tentative due date will be Thursday, November 9.

Art 11M– Mrs. Bergsma: As we go through the arts of Europe, the students are practicing many different types of painting techniques (Impressionist, Post-Impressionist, Expressionist, Abstract, etc.). They are also learning to critique their own work and how successful they are in replicating styles of artwork.

English 11C – Mrs. Pieterman: The class has been reading and analyzing short stories this week. We've considered narrative point of view, theme, setting and other elements of various stories. Next week we'll discuss and read examples of memoirs as we work towards the culminating assignment for this unit.

English 11U – Mrs. Vandermeiden: Students have been studying *Cry the Beloved Country* in literature circles, which we will continue this week. It's important to keep thorough, specific notes as you read through the chapters so that you have a great resource for your essay, which we will work on later this month. Groups will be sharing their research on an aspect of poverty in Canada/Ontario on Thursday, November 9.

Entrepreneurship Venture Planning – Mr. Haklander: This week we have studied the basic management functions within an organization. This included identifying leadership qualities in ourselves and others. This process led into the understanding of who and how to hire business leaders and employees.

Families in Canada 12U/C – Mrs. Barrett/Mrs. Tenhage: Next week, we will finish looking at the components of church marriage forms/vows and then compare them to provincial marriage ceremonies/vows. We will discuss spousal selection in different religions/cultures and reflect on Godly conflict and problem solving in marriage. Our next ISU deadline is Wednesday, November 15 (new date); students should have a thesis and outline by then (or have their surveys collected). Instead of an essay for this unit, students will interview a married Christian couple and create an audio assignment afterwards (due November 24). Students should start thinking of who they'd like to learn from in this interview; the couple should be Christian and have been married for at least one year (it can't be a students' own parents, although they're welcome to also interview their parents for the sake of learning!). Unit 3 test Thursday November 16.

French 11U – Mrs. Bergsma: The students continued to work on their research essay about a specific aspect of culture in a Francophone country. They submitted their essays on Thursday, reviewed the unit materials, and wrote their final test for the unit on Friday. Next week, we will start our next unit with a novel study of *Les Tresors d'Haiti*.

Functions 11U – Mr. Ellens: We have just moved on to Trigonometric functions. This is also a larger unit and is an exciting addition to our function repertoire. We will expand on our basic trig functions to working with obtuse angles and looking at what the sinusoidal functions look like when graphed. We keep on looking at CEMC problems of the week every now and then too. They are a great resource for problem solving.

Math 11C – Ms. Xu: We will work on the project for the chapter: Design a house and sketch a floor plan, front and

side views of the house. First each student will choose his (her) favorite design online and describe the details of each room and shapes that are used in the furnishing of the house. Hand in your report and start to design your dream house. We will have chapter test next Tuesday!

Philosophy 11M – Mr. Pennings: The Velveteen Rabbit assignment is due on Tuesday, Nov 7. Students are reminded to complete the "What do You Think?" question on page 30 from chapter 2.

Philosophy 12U – Mr. de Visser: This coming week, we'll dive deeper into epistemology and the philosophy of science, noting that there is no such thing as philosophy-free science, and although modern science has led to remarkable improvements in technology and general quality of life, all truth cannot be reduced to scientific answers. We'll also study the problem of induction and Kuhn's theory of paradigm shifts.

Recreation & Healthy Active Living Leadership 12M – Mr. Pennings: The Sports Instruction written report was turned in today. Also, the Philosophy of Leadership assignment was submitted today. The chapter 1 test has been moved to Tuesday, Nov 7. The class was given a new assignment today. The assessment is a biography about a leader in Canadian sports. This is due on Wednesday, Nov 8.

Physics 11U – Ms. Xu: We finished chapter 6 and will have a quiz this Tuesday. We will start electricity this week and expect homework every day.

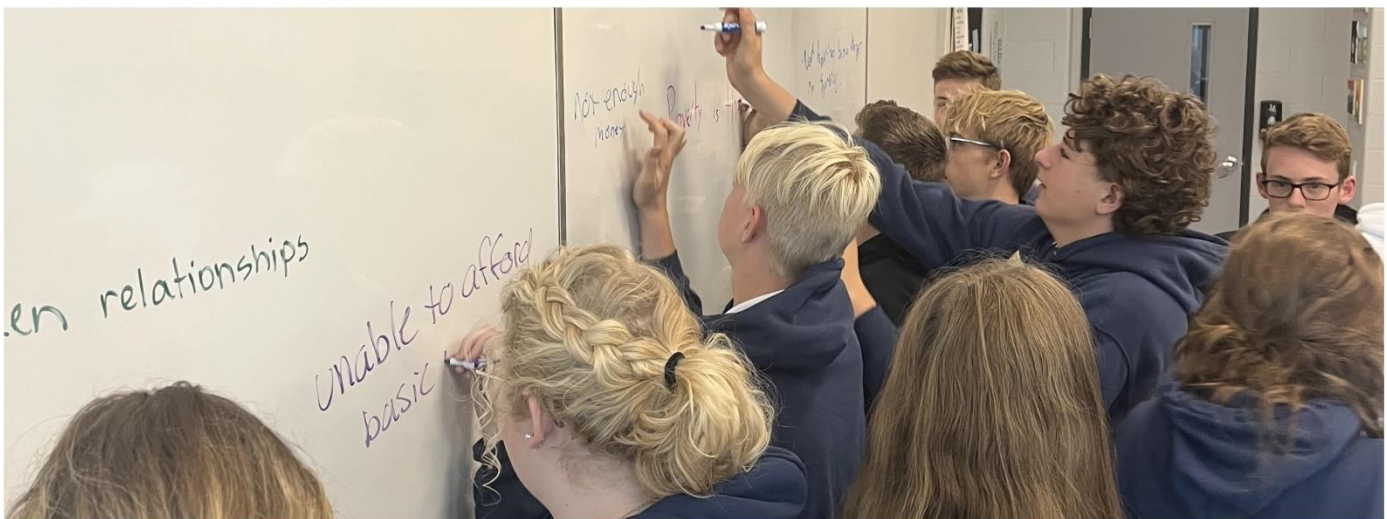
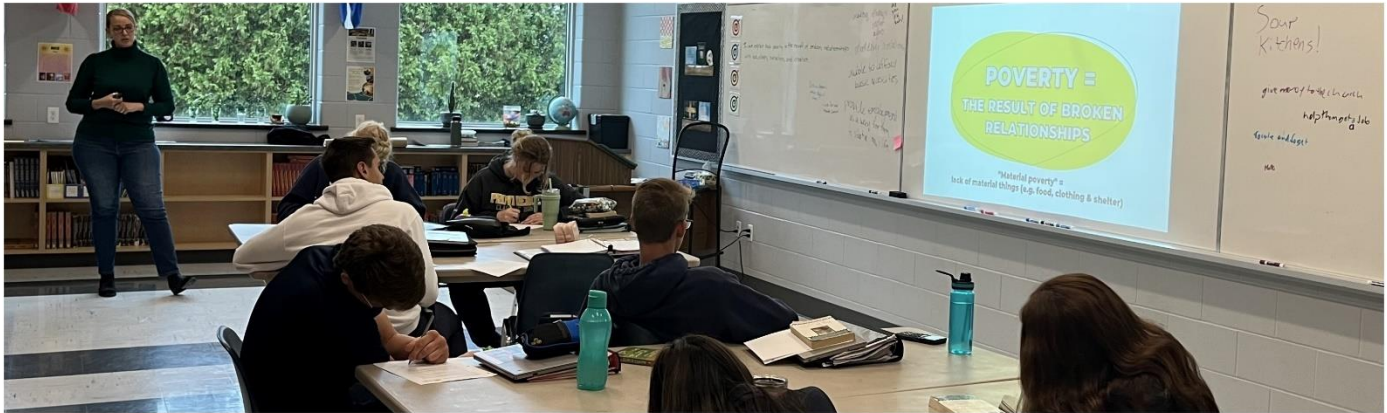
Transportation Technology 11C – Mr. Haklander: On Wednesday, students had the opportunity to visit the “level-up” trade show in London. It was great to see the students engaged in the simulations and hands-on projects that were set up at the show. Students also took advantage of dialoguing with the various trade professionals about future career opportunities. In class we have completed the Electrical Fundamentals unit will begin Chassis Fundamentals next week.

World History since the Fifteenth Century – Miss Averink: We are well into our third unit of the course! Next week we will be studying various aspects of the Enlightenment. Many students have started their Unit 3 project and should continue working on these on their own time. There will be regular check-ins and a rough draft will be due the week of the 13th.

Laurie Koning from EduDeo leads a workshop on poverty in English IIU

Laurie Koning made the trip to PRC on Monday morning to lead the English IIU students in a workshop on poverty. She encouraged students to understand that poverty is a result of broken relationships and that it can't be addressed or 'solved' unless we acknowledge and address that brokenness and trauma first through the healing Gospel of Jesus Christ. She also shared EduDeo's mission to build relationships and support Christ-focused education through teacher training, workshops, curriculum support, and mission trips. This workshop lays a strong foundation as we study *Cry the Beloved Country* by Alan Paton.

Check out their website: [EduDeo Ministries | Education + Gospel = Transformation](https://www.edudeo.org/)



Community Service

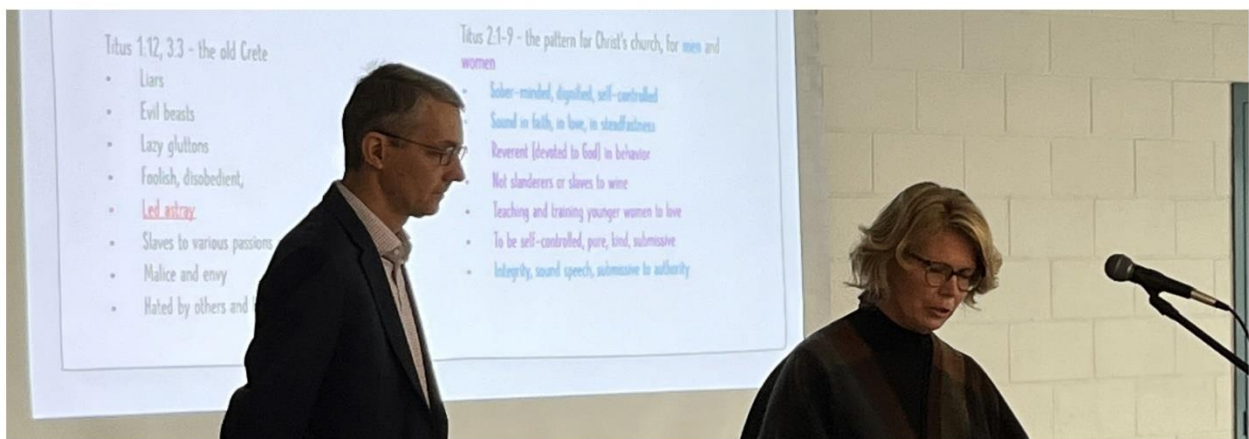
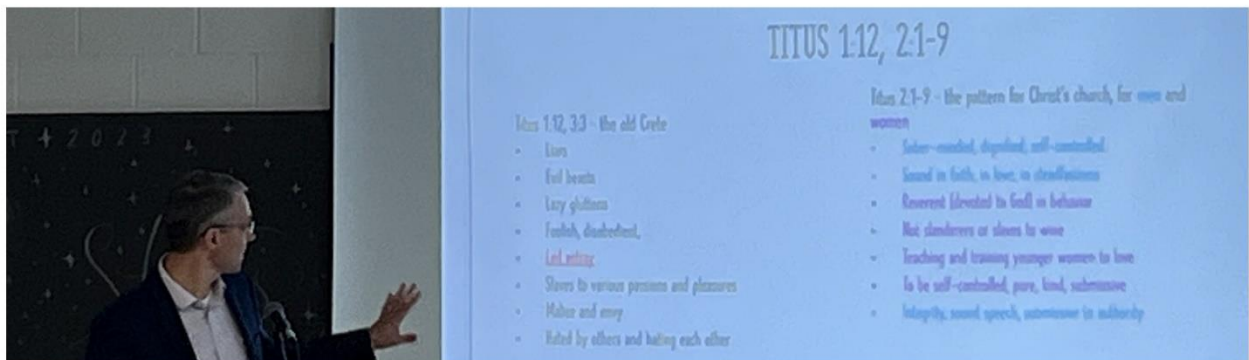
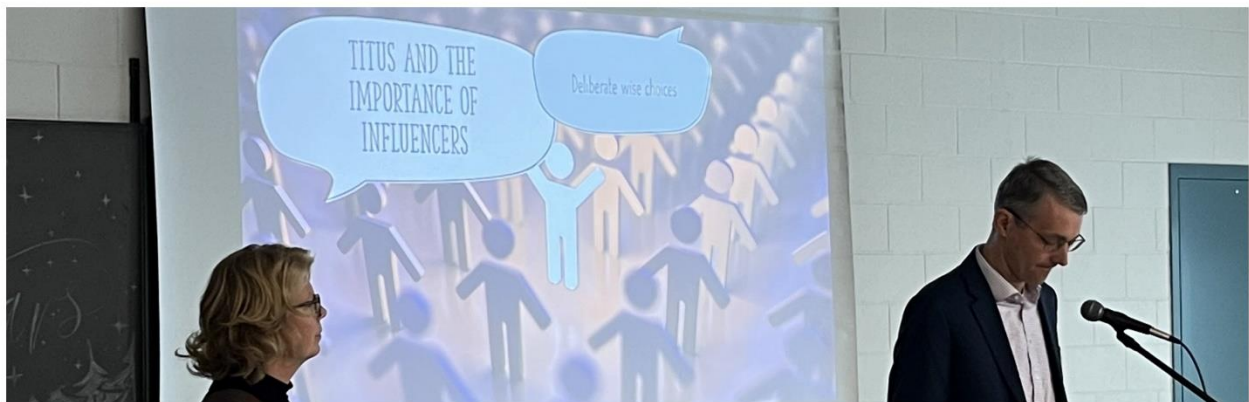
A few weeks ago, the Community Service Team at PRC organized a Fall Food Drive and the student body collected donations from the school community and from the local Komoka community. Some of the most needed non-perishable food categories are: canned vegetables and fruit, canned tomatoes, canned tuna and salmon, Peanut Butter, dried vegetables, and Healthy breakfast cereals. We really appreciate your support! Thanks!!



Intergenerational Influencers

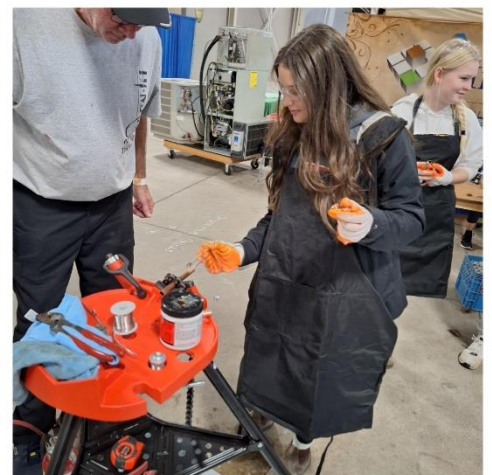
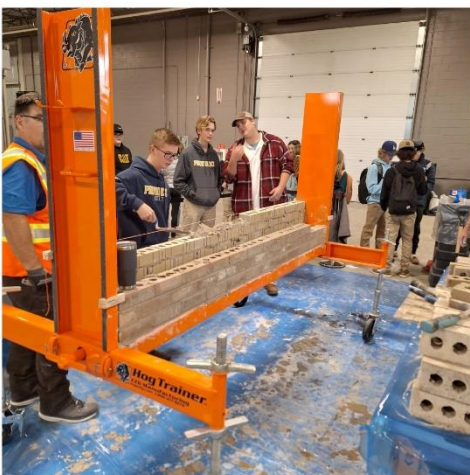
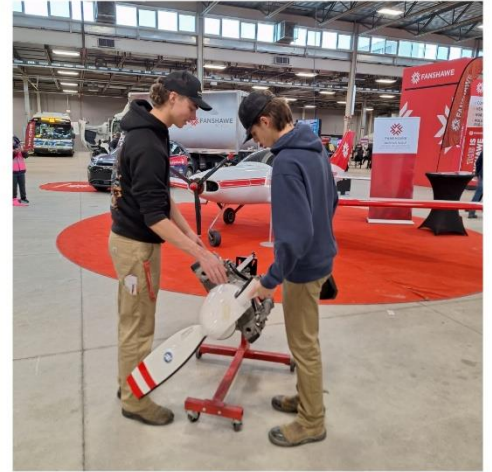
Reverend Eric and Lisette Moerdyk were the speakers at our November assembly. Building on our year's theme, to "be ready for every good work", the Moerdyks spoke about "intergenerational influencing." They explained that God created us to be influenced; are we being influenced by the right things and the right people? From the moment we wake up, we are being influenced, even and often without realizing it. Music, for example, is a powerful tool for shaping us. Are we paying attention to our influences? The Moerdyks also reminded us that not only are we influenced by others, but we influence others by our behaviours, particularly the senior students in the school. We were challenged to consider how our behaviour and attitude shapes the people around us.

We need to be intentional about finding good influencers, and key to that is finding older and wiser Christians to act as mentors. In Titus 2, Paul explains that older men can help younger men learn to be sober minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, love, and steadfastness. Older women can help younger women be reverent, not slanderers or slaves to wine, but to love, be self-controlled, pure, kind, and submissive. Why do our churches so often segregate the youth from older members of the church? How can we build these relationships so that we help one another in our walk of faith? May God give us wisdom and discernment to find godly influencers so that we would be ready for every good work.




Level Up! Skilled Trades Fair

Our tech students had the opportunity this week to attend the Level Up! Skilled Trades Fair hosted by the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development at the Agriplex Pavilion at the Western Fair. Our students were able to experience hands-on exhibits and speak with professionals across wide-ranging industries. They benefited from the insights and advice of a panel of skilled trades representatives and learned about what career paths are available in the skilled trades. What a great day for them!



Calendar

| <div>  <div>November/December 2023</div> </div> | | | | | | |
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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| | Hockey – 7am Boys BB – 3:45pm | 12:30 Redeemer U | Term 1 Ends Accounting Class – Peter Tenvoorde Girls' VB -4pm | Term 2 Begins | PD Day | Remembrance Day |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| | Hockey – 7am Lambton – 2pm Boys' BB – 3:45pm | | Word & Deed Presentation Girls' VB -4pm | Report Cards mailed | High School Collaboration PD Day | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| | Hockey – 7am Fall Membership Meeting Boys' BB – 3:45pm | Double Block BBAA | Pursuit of a Calling Girls' VB -4pm | Double Block DDCC Board Meeting | Lunch Box Social | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 |
| | Hockey – 7am Boys' BB – 3:45pm | | New Student Day Girls' VB -4pm | Girls' VB – Redeemer U | | |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| | Hockey – 7am Boys' BB – 3:45pm | | Girls' VB -4pm | Co-op Preplacement class- 3:30 | Christmas Concert – 7:30-pm – Providence United Reformed Church | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| | Hockey – 7am Boys' BB – 3:45pm | Double Block - BBAA | Girls' VB -4pm | Double Block DDCC Co-op Preplacement class- 3:30 | Girls' VB Chatham tournament at 3:30 | Heritage Senior Boys' BB tournament |