

## HOW WE SERVE AT ESSEX CRC

### Nursery

Today Alissa, Sterling  
May 6 Liane, Ruth  
May 13 Nick Jr, Rylee

### Greeters

John & Margaret  
Pastor Ken & Elaine  
Sunday School children

### Ushers

Today Greg, Joanne  
May 6 Michael, Marjan  
May 13 Michael, Marjan

### AV

Tim, Ryan  
Tammy, Dan  
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### Coffee Clean Up

Today Nick & Jean, Albert & Niesje  
May 6 Gerry & Ruth, Fred & Linda  
May 13 Marvin & Marj, Hans & Geraldine

### Scripture Readers

Today Rylee  
May 6 Ralph  
May 13 Darcy

### Children's Moment

Betty  
Alissa  
Sandra

### Elevator

Joel  
Greg  
Harvey

### Offerings

Today Ministry Shares  
May 6 Operation Manna—Diaconal Ministries  
May 13 Back to God Hour Ministries

### Library

Doris  
Sarah  
Doris

### Pastoral Prayer

Today Gerry  
May 6 Carl  
May 13 Greg

### Worship Leader

Candidate Brian Schouten  
Mr. Michael  
Pastor Nate VanDenend



# ESSEX CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

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### Church Office Hours

Tuesday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Thursday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Church Office – Contact Information 519-776-5071, [office@essexcrc.ca](mailto:office@essexcrc.ca)

**Sunday April 29, 2018**

**Morning Worship 10:00 am**

**SUNDAY APRIL 29, 2018**

Weekly Offerings

Welcome to our worship service this morning, especially if you are a guest with us today. Do plan to stay and enjoy a cup of coffee with us in the fellowship hall.

Our Church Family

Keep those family members and friends in prayer as they suffer with various health issues, along with those who cannot attend our services because they are in various nursing and retirement homes (**Cory, Diny and Anna**).

#### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Congratulations to Elise (today), Andrea (Thurs) and Nick Sr (Fri). May the Lord bless you!

What is Happening This Week

10:00 am – Morning Worship with Candidate Brian Schouten

7:00 pm – Youth

The Mat'ters – Monday at 9:30 am

GEMS & Cadets – Monday at 6:30 pm

Council – Wednesday at 7:00 pm

Praise Team – Thursday at 7:15 pm

Prayer for Healthy Church – Saturday at 8:30 am

Next Sunday May 6, 2018

10:00 am – Morning Worship with Mr. Michael

7:00 pm – Youth

#### RESULTS OF CASTING OF LOTS

Last Sunday we participated in the Casting of Lots for Elders. The results are as follows: For Elder Ben Jr. For Deacon Anna. The Installation of Elder and Deacon will be held at a later date.

#### REACH OUT COMMITTEE – MOVIE NIGHT DIRECTOR

The Reach Out Committee is now in search of someone as Movie Night Director. Your duties would involve choosing Reach Out approved movies, co-ordinate helpers, servers, cleaners and provide support each month. If you are interested, please see Florence or anyone on the Reach Out committee.

#### KUB CAR RACES ARE HERE!

Cadets and GEMS will be competing for the Kub Car Trophy on **Monday May 7!** Plan to attend this year and support your Cadet and GEMS leaders and meet the families of the children who come to our church every Monday night. If there is ever a chance to reach out to the community, this is one of the best opportunities as most of the girls and boys in GEMS and Cadets are from the community. This is a great way to end the season for the GEMS and Cadets with tons of fun for the everyone!

Today's offerings are for the **FINANCIAL MINISTRY PLAN** and **MINISTRY SHARES**

This offering will provide dollars to fund programs that enable churches to send missionaries around the world, start new churches, train pastors and leaders, use media to spread the gospel and much more.

May 6 offering is for Operation Manna 2018 Campaign. What happens when we join in helping Operation Manna (OM)? OM is a program of Diaconal Ministries Canada that helps create and grow local ministries that reach out into OPEARATION MANNA RESOURCES SPRING 2018 [diaconalministries.com](http://diaconalministries.com) | 1-800-730-3490 | [dmc@crcna.org](mailto:dmc@crcna.org) communities across Canada with the love of Christ. When you give, it's not just another offering to another cause; it's about the people who will be reached through your gift. On Sunday, May 6, we'll take an offering for the OM Program. To learn more, visit the DMC website at [diaconalministries.com](http://diaconalministries.com) and watch the 2018 OM Partner Video there OR on their Facebook page (@diaconalministries). - The Deacons

#### LUNCHEON HOSTS

We are looking for families to host visiting pastors or Worship leaders in your homes for lunch after the morning service. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

#### CHILI CLUB UPDATE

Well, we are done making chili for another season, a big thank you for all our volunteers for their tireless efforts. For 2018, our January sales enabled us to send \$ to Street Help, February yielded \$ for the Essex Food Bank, March sales brought in \$ that was sent to Sunparlour Resource Centre (for Crisis Pregnancies) and our April sales allow us to send \$to Hiatus House (a women's shelter). Another success season under our belts. Although our sales have dwindled somewhat God has stilled blessed our efforts. We still have a number of frozen apple crisps available for \$5.00 each. If anyone wishes to purchase some, please contact Rita Overgaauw, Jean Kuipers or Geri Haverkamp. We start again in September and are always looking for new volunteers... It only takes a few hours of your time once a month! Thank you all so much for your support.

## “SEARCH WOODSTOCK”

Are you looking for something different to do with your youth? Check out Search! A youth weekend retreat with a focus on our well-being, enabling youth and leaders to discover answers to some of the questions and issues that face us in our lives. Registration is now open for grade 9-12 students being held at Maranatha CRC, Woodstock from July 26– July 29<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for a weekend filled with dive-in sessions and speakers in which we will have in-depth discussions looking at “Who Am I”, “What Am I Here For”, and “Where Do I Fit In”. Our main speaker this year is Jason Dykstra, a mediator, conflict coach, and father. We will also go out to work sites within Woodstock, lending a helping hand to those in need. For more information and to register, please check out our website – [searchwoodstock.webs.com](http://searchwoodstock.webs.com). You can also contact Kristin at 519-539-5301 at Maranatha CRC.

## COFFEE BREAK/SMALL GROUP WORKSHOP

Living Hope CRC in Sarnia invites you to a workshop on Monday, May 14, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00p.m. Marian Lensink of Global Coffee Break will lead a workshop focused on engaging scripture together, leading a small group well, and praying in and for our groups. Anyone involved in Coffee Break or a small group of any kind is invited to attend. Materials as well as lunch and refreshments will be provided. There is no cost for the workshop but registration is required. Please register by sending an email to Anita at [radejong@rivernet.net](mailto:radejong@rivernet.net) or contact Susan Schouten at 1-519-383-0434. Please register by Wednesday, May 9, 2018. We look forward to having you join us.