

## HOW WE SERVE AT ESSEX CRC

### Nursery

Today Liane, Ruth K  
Dec 16 Greg S, Emily  
Dec 23 Rebekah, Erin

### Greeters

Marvin & Marj  
Dave & Anna  
Ryan & Sandra

### Ushers

Today Marjan  
Dec 16 John O  
Dec 23 Greg S

### AV

Tim, Dan  
Beverley & John  
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### Coffee Clean Up

Today Dave & Anna, Marvin & Marj  
Dec 16 Nick & Sarah, John & Margaret  
Dec 23 Henry & Alta, Homer & Betty

### Scripture Readers

Today Ben Sr.  
Dec 16 Michael  
Dec 23 Gerry S

### Children's Moment

Greg S  
Pete K  
Betty V

### Elevator

John D  
Joel  
Fred

### Offerings

Today Mortgage Reduction  
Dec 16 Matthew House  
Dec 23 Faith Formations

### Library

Doris  
Sarah  
Doris

### Pastoral Prayer

Today Greg S  
Dec 16 Tammy Y  
Dec 23 Michael

### Worship Leader

Pastor Bill Hoogland  
Mr. Dave Gourley  
Mr. Ben Schinkel Sr.



# 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 December 9, 2018**

**Morning Worship 10:00 am**

## SUNDAY DECEMBER 9, 2018

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 or tea 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 (**Pete & Betty, Cory, Jack, Diny and Anna**).

### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Congratulations to Shayla (Thurs). May the Lord bless you!

### What is Happening This Week

10:00 am – Second Sunday of Advent Morning Worship with Pastor Bill Hoogland.

7:00 pm – Youth

The Mat'ters – Monday at 9:30 am

GEMS & Cadets – Monday at 6:30 pm

Coffee Break – Tuesday at 10:00 am (Lea's home)

Prayer for Healthy Church – Tuesday at 10:00 am

Catechism – Tuesday at 7:00 pm

Advent Luncheon – Wednesday at 12:00 pm

Join us at our mid-week Advent services at Church of the Redeemer, 15545 County Road 8, Colchester North. Pastor Jim Hatt will be leading this half hour service followed by a light lunch. A free will contribution will be appreciated.

Woodslee Home Carolling Service – Thursday at 10:00 am

Next Sunday December 16, 2018

10:00 am – Third Sunday of Advent Morning Worship with Mr. Dave Gourley from Windsor.

11:30 am – Youth Christmas

### WOODSLEE HOME CAROLING – DECEMBER 13, AT 10:00 AM

If you enjoy singing Christmas Carols and at the same time make someone's day a bit more enjoyable, then here is your chance. Anyone who would like to join the Woodslee Caroling group, on Thursday December 13, 2018, 10:00 am, would be more than welcome!

### Weekly Offerings

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

December 16 offering is for Matthew House. This offering will help the Matthew House which is a Christian organization supported by churches and individuals of different denominations to help refugees who are fleeing for their lives and coming to Canada. They are not part of any government program and receive no subsidies directly from the government. Since the inception of Matthew House about 500 refugees have been helped to establish themselves. Please give generously to help this Windsor based organization help others get a start in Canada.

### MITTEN TREE

Please note the Mitten Tree is in effect now until Sunday December 16, 2018. Items will then be collected and dropped off at the Essex Food Bank. We appreciate all donations of scarves, mittens and hats and enjoy watching your generosity fill the Mitten Tree!  
*From the Deacons*

### CALVIN SYMPOSIUM ON WORSHIP

You are invited to register and attend the annual Calvin Symposium on Worship, January 24-26, 2019, at Calvin College and Calvin Theological Seminary. The three-day conference brings together a wide audience of artists, musicians, pastors, scholars, students, worship leaders and planners, and other interested worshipers. There are excellent rates for students and groups from churches. All worship services are free and open to the public. See [worship.calvin.edu/symposium/](http://worship.calvin.edu/symposium/) for complete information and the registration link.

### CALVIN SEMINARY'S DIG PROGRAM

Dig is a summer program hosted at Calvin Seminary that helps youth uncover their future by exploring their callings while enriching and deepening their faith. By the end of the program, each student will leave with a clearer sense of their gifts and skills and an understanding of how God can use them to meet the needs of the world. This summer's program takes place July 8-27, 2019. To nominate a student or to apply yourself, visit [dig.calvinseminary.edu](http://dig.calvinseminary.edu)