

HOW WE SERVE AT ESSEX CRC

Nursery

Today Nick, Gabriella
Mar 3 Andrea, Waverly
Mar 10 Sarah, Christian

Greeters

Henry & Alta
Gerry & Ruth
Greg & Tammy Y

Usher

Today Albert
Mar 3 Marjan
Mar 10 John O

AV

Tammy K & Ryan
Rylee, Vanessa
Tammy K, Vanessa

Coffee Clean Up

Today Youth
Mar 3 Albert & Niesje, Larry & Jacky
Mar 10 Fred & Linda, Darcy & Liane

Scripture Readers

Today Michael
Mar 3
Mar 10 Gerry S

Children's Moment

Betty V
Song
Garret

Elevator

Fred
Greg Y
Harvey

Offerings

Today Matthew House
Mar 3 World Renew-Canadian Food Grains
Mar 10 Maranatha Christian Academy

Library

Sarah
Doris
Sarah

Pastoral Prayer

Today Carl
Mar 3 Carl
Mar 10 John vN

Worship Leader

Pastor Jim Poelman
Mr. Steve Baarda
Pastor Nate VanDenend



ESSEX CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

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Our Church facility is equipped with an Induction Loop Assistive Listening System. See an Usher or a member of the Sound team for assistance



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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

UPDATE FROM THE MAT'TERS

We have used up all our new milk bags so we are asking everyone to start donating your clean and dry milk bags. We really do appreciate it.

Sunday February 24, 2019

Morning Worship 10:00 am

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2019

Welcome to our worship service this morning, especially if you are a guest with us today. Plan to stay after the service for a cup of coffee or tea.

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 Margaret (today), Carl (Fri). May the Lord bless you!

What is Happening This Week

10:00 am – Morning Worship with Pastor Jim Poelman.

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

Prayer for Healthy Church – Tuesday at 10:00 am

Catechism – Tuesday at 7:00 pm

Congregational Meeting – Wednesday at 7:00 pm

Family Games Night – Saturday at 7:00 pm

Next Sunday March 3, 2019

10:00 am – Morning Worship with Mr. Steve Baarda.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – FEBRUARY 27, 2019

Mark your calendar for the upcoming Congregational Meeting scheduled for Wednesday February 27, 2019 beginning at 7:00 pm

GAMES NIGHT HOSTED BY THE YOUTH

Do you like to play games? Do you like food and fellowship? Do you like friendly competition? If you answered “yes” to any of these questions please join the youth along with the rest of the congregation for a games night at the church on Saturday, March 2nd. Arrive at the church at 7pm ready to play games and there may be a chance to win prizes! Please bring an appetizer or snack to share and the youth will supply the beverages.

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-ordinating helpers, servers, cleaners and providing support each month. If you are interested, please see Florence or anyone on the Reach Out committee.

Weekly Offerings

Today's offerings are for the **FINANCIAL MINISTRY PLAN AND 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.

March 3 offering is for World Renew – Canadian Food Grains Bank. In the last 25 years, the number of hungry people in the world has dropped by nearly 100 million people. We are incredibly grateful for the small part we have played in this story of global transformation. We thank God for this ministry, and we thank you for your faithful partnership. However, our work is not yet done. Millions of families still do not have enough food to eat, and we continue to need your support. That is why, each year, we ask churches to hold an offering for this important work. All donations, made individually or through churches, are eligible for a match through the Canadian Foodgrains Bank of up to 4:1.

DEAR CONGREGATION

We as your Deacons are asking for your input. Please consider responding to us via email, phone call or in person.

We know there are those of you who are involved in and with the community. In an attempt for us to connect better with our community and serve where there are injustices and/or yet unknown opportunities; we need your input. Your information will be shared amongst us Deacons for further discussion and for our prayer support.

For example: name of organization/group, how you are involved, A true need and/or inequity. Thanks in advance for your valued contribution.

Linda, Tammy Y, Marjan and Anna

PEDALS, PIPES AND PIZZA!

Come out on Saturday March 9 to St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church in Leamington, Ontario to experience the wonder of the pipe organ. For more information, see the poster on the board downstairs.

PRAY FOR INSPIRE 2019

Inspire 2019 is a conference to connect people from across the 1000+ churches in the Christian Reformed Church for three days of worship, workshops, speakers, and conversation. As we plan and prepare for this event, happening August 1-3 in Windsor, Ont., please join us in praying for the event and all who will attend. This week, please pray for all of the workshop leaders and break-out session facilitators and those who will attend these times of conversation and learning. Pray that these sessions will inspire, equip, and make a positive impact on individuals and churches.

A LENT DEVOTIONAL SERIES

Lent is a season to focus on the hope of Jesus Christ. Receive a free Today devotional email series to help you refresh, refocus, and renew your faith during Lent. Or download the ebook! Subscribe at TodayDevotional.com/Lent

INTER-CLASSIS SAFE CHURCH CONFERENCE

All are welcome at the Annual Inter-Classis Safe Church Conference, happening Saturday, March 2, 2019 from 9 - 3:30 at the Waterloo CRC. This year's special guest will be Bev Sterk from Lynden, Washington who spoke passionately at last year's synod about abuse and how to work to prevent it. Other workshops include "Circle of Grace" Abuse Prevention curriculum, policy and legality, cyber-bullying, and detection and prevention of suicide. All ministry leaders (pastors, elders, deacons, youth ministry leaders) and those involved with abuse awareness are urged to attend. For further information and registration visit www.wmott.ca/scc or call Atie Ott at 519-576-0965.

COFFEE BREAK AND SMALL GROUP WORKSHOP

Join us at Bethel CRC in Listowel, Ont. on Monday, March 25, 2019 (9:30am - 3pm)! Marian Lensink of Global Coffee Break (CRCNA) will lead a workshop focused on engaging scripture together, leading a small group well, praying in and for our groups, and having an evangelistic perspective. Cost: \$35. Register online at listowelworkshop.eventbrite.com by Wed. March 20. Anyone involved in a small group of any kind is invited to attend. Lunch and refreshments are provided. For information, contact Lindsey Hiemstra (tlhiemstra@gmail.com or 1-519-291-8126).

WORLD RENEW AT AOYC 2019

World Renew is excited to be part of this year's All Ontario Youth Convention in Waterloo from May 17-20! If you are a high school student, we'd love to see you there too! Hunger is a problem that affects over 800 million people locally and globally, and we want to do something about it. World Renew will be sharing ideas and practical ways for you to help make hunger disappear! Look for further details in our upcoming announcements! For more info and registration: www.allontario.com/aoyc-2019