

HOW WE SERVE AT ESSEX CRC

Nursery

Today Sarah, Gabriella
Feb 3 Liane, Erin
Feb 10 Rebekah, Brody

Greeters

Cadets
John & Betty
Carl & Florence

Ushers

Today Cadets
Feb 3 Greg S
Feb 10 Michael

AV

Tammy K, Dan
Beverley & John
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Coffee Clean Up

Today Eric & Melissa, Joanne
Feb 3 John & Marjan, Carl & Florence
Feb 10 Ryan & Sandra, Greg & Andrea

Scripture Readers

Today Joseph
Feb 3 Darcy
Feb 10 Sarah

Children's Moment

Cadets
Song
Linda

Elevator

Greg Y
Harvey
John D

Offerings

Today Cadets
Feb 3 Partners Worldwide
Feb 10 Essex Food Bank

Library

Sarah
Doris
Sarah

Pastoral Prayer

Today Carl
Feb 3 Tammy Y
Feb 10 Darcy

Worship Leader

Mr. Walter Miedema
Pastor Gordon Brown
Pastor Dave VanBerkel



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

Sunday January 27, 2019

Morning Worship 10:00 am

SUNDAY JANUARY 27, 2019

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

We express our sincerest condolences to the families of **Gerry & Ben Sr** with the passing of their sister **Willie**. The funeral will be this afternoon at 2:00 pm at Bethel CRC in London ON. May God continue to comfort the families with his strength.

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 John vN (Mon), Simon (Tues), Pete W & Adriaan (Thurs). May the Lord bless you!

What is Happening This Week

10:00 am – Cadet Sunday! Morning Worship with Mr. Walter Miedema.

The Mat'ters – Monday at 9:30 am

GEMS & Cadets – Monday at 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Coffee Break – Tuesday at 10:00 am

Prayer for Healthy Church – Tuesday at 10:00 am

Catechism – Tuesday at 7:00 pm

Council Executive – Wednesday at 6:15 pm

Deacons – Wednesday at 7:15 pm

Elders – Wednesday at 7:30 pm

Next Sunday February 3, 2019

10:00 am – Morning Worship with Pastor Gord Brown.

ARRIVE EARLY TO CHURCH ON FEBRUARY 3RD

The Youth will be serving a pancake breakfast from 8:00 - 9:30 am on February 3rd before the service. They will accept donations and determine what worthy cause will be blessed by your generosity. Please plan to attend.

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.

Weekly Offerings

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

The Calvinist Cadet Corps is an independent (non-denominational) youth ministry organization whose purpose is to provide the local church with ministry programs that will enable them to effectively share Christ's love with boys from their church and community.

February 3 offering is for Partners Worldwide. This group of Christian business and professional people who are using business solutions to fight poverty all around the world. Their goal is to strengthen businesses in the developing world, which will create employment for generations to come.

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.

OFFICE BEARER NOMINATIONS

Council would, at this time, like to invite all confessing members to submit up to four nominations for the position of Elder, as well as two nominations for the position of Deacon. The terms of Hans and Greg S as Elder and the term of Linda as Deacon will be completed in 2019. Please consider this request prayerfully as this is the primary time for input from the congregation. Please submit your nominations to any current Elder or Deacon by **Sunday February 3, 2019**.

CHURCH VISITORS

Classis Chatham church visitors will be meeting with the Church Council on Wednesday February 6, 2019 at 7:00 pm. Members of the congregation who have concerns which they would like to share with the church visitors may request to meet in advance of the meeting with the church visitors. Contact Pastor Tim Luimes pastor@blenheimcrc.ca to set up an appointment.

PLAN TO BE AT CHURCH FEBRUARY 17TH

Pastor Terence Visser, his wife Laura and their 6 children will be visiting Essex on the weekend of February 17th. He is currently the Pastor of Willard CRC in Celeryville, Ohio and the Search Committee is considering him as a candidate for a call to Essex. Pastor Terence will be leading the service and there will be a potluck lunch following so that you can all get to know him and his family. Please continue to pray for the Search Committee and for Pastor Terence and his family through this whole process. Here are the church website and the YouTube channel that they stream their services on: <https://willardcrc.org> and <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNycEbLlH34gIaeL8XIJiGQ> If you have any questions please don't hesitate to talk with any of the members of the Search Committee: Ashley, Betty, Dan, Gerry, Greg Y, John VH and Sarah.

MARANATHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY MISSIONS TRIP

Please pray for the MCA Missions trip to Guatemala taking place at this time (Jan 22–Feb 2). Ruth, Garret and Joel as well as the rest of the Grade 12 students and chaperones are also participating. We look forward to hearing all about your experiences when you return.

OPEN HOUSE – MARANATHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Maranatha Christian Academy, would like to invite you to our Open House on **Monday February 11th, 2018**. We are an Elementary and Secondary private Christian School located in South Windsor. Come and tour the school, meet our teachers from JK through Grade 12, and have some refreshments. This event will be held at Maranatha Christian Academy, 939 Northwood St. from **6:30 pm to 8:30 pm**. Call 519-966-7424 or email kfuller@maranathachristian.ca to RSVP. We look forward to meeting you.

POVERTY SIMULATION

Could you survive a month in poverty? You are invited to participate in a half day simulation walking in the shoes of someone living in poverty. By understanding the impact of poverty, we can better address the issues in our communities. Saturday, March 2 from 9:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at Living Hope Church, 1281 Exmouth St, Sarnia. Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/classis-chatham-poverty-simulation-event-tickets-55043034197> Cost: \$20 cash at the door. Registration is limited. Sponsored by Classis Chatham and led by Lambton Circles. Any further questions, contact Pastor Willemina Zwart at pastorwz@gmail.com or 226-678-3538.

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. Registration opened last week; please pray for those organizing and taking in registrations, and for those registering or thinking about it.

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 Wednesday 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).