

## HOW WE SERVE AT ESSEX CRC

### Nursery

Today Andrea, Waverly  
Mar 10 Sarah, Christian  
Mar 17 Alissa, Rylee

### Greeters

Gerry & Ruth S  
Greg & Tammy Y  
Larry & Jacky

### Usher

Today Marjan  
Mar 10 John O  
Mar 17 Greg S

### AV

Rylee, Vanessa Redekop  
Tammy K, Vanessa  
Tim, Dan

### Coffee Clean Up

Today Albert & Niesje, Larry & Jacky  
Mar 10 Fred & Linda, Darcy & Liane  
Mar 17 Nick & Sarah, Gerry & Ruth S

### Scripture Readers

Today  
Mar 10 Gerry S  
Mar 17 Darcy

### Children's Moment

Song  
Garret S  
Song

### Elevator

Greg Y  
Harvey  
John D

### Offerings

Today World Renew-Canadian Food Grains  
Mar 10 Maranatha Christian Academy  
Mar 17 Calvin Seminary

### Library

Doris  
Sarah  
Doris

### Pastoral Prayer

Today Carl J  
Mar 10 John vN  
Mar 17 Michael vN

### Worship Leader

Mr. Steve Baarda  
Pastor Nate VanDenend  
Mr. Peter Beimers



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



Find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/EsexCRC](http://www.facebook.com/EsexCRC) Like us and keep informed with what is happening here!

### 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)

### 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.



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**Sunday March 3, 2019**

**Morning Worship 10:00 am**

**SUNDAY MARCH 3, 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 Michelle (Sat). May the Lord bless you!

What is Happening This Week

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

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

Reach Up – Tuesday at 10:00 am

Catechism – Tuesday at 7:00 pm

Lenten Service – Wednesday at 12:00 noon

Our Essex and area Lenten noon hour service will be at St. Stephen's Anglican Church, Oldcastle with Rev Chris Brouillard-Coyle speaking. After this half hour service there is lunch provided by the host church on a voluntary donation basis. Join the Essex community churches during this Lenten season.

Council Meeting – Wednesday at 7:00 pm

Praise Team – Thursday at 7:15 pm

Next Sunday March 10, 2019

10:00 am – Morning Worship with Pastor Nate VanDenend.

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME – SPRING AHEAD**

Take note Saturday March 9, turn your clock ahead 1 hour!



**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 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.

March 10 offering is for Calvin Seminary. Calvin Theological Seminary is a learning community in the Reformed Christian tradition that forms church leaders who cultivate communities of disciples of Jesus Christ.

**TO THE CONGREGATION OF ESSEX CRC**

We are grateful for your gifts of monies for World Renew programs received from October to December 2018. It is with your generous support of the Program Fund, the Peter Fish Program and Maternal and Child Health that lives are being made whole and communities are being transformed. Thank you for being agents for change, demonstrating the love of Jesus to people through your generosity. Please visit [worldrenew.net/stories](http://worldrenew.net/stories) to learn how your gifts are making an impact for God's glory in the world today.

**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, Marjan and Anna*

**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 smooth food preparation and serving throughout the event, and for all who prepare, serve, and enjoy the food.

### **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](http://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

### **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](http://www.allontario.com/aoyc-2019)

### **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION TIPS**

Ash Wednesday Family Faith Formation Tip: Wearing ashes on one's forehead on Ash Wednesday is a symbol of repentance. Talk with your kids about the fact that repentance is more than saying "I'm sorry"—it means asking God to change our heart and mind. For help with explaining what Lent means, check out [tinyurl.com/LentQuestions](http://tinyurl.com/LentQuestions) and [tinyurl.com/LentKids](http://tinyurl.com/LentKids) Faith Formation Ministries; [crcna.org/FaithFormation](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation)

### **WIDENING THE CIRCLE ANTI-RACISM WORKSHOP**

Join us for an interactive faith-based workshop designed to heighten awareness and facilitate dialogue about the causes and effects of racism in Canada. Participants will also explore steps to wholeness and action steps towards diversity and inclusion. March 15th from 9am-5pm at First Christian Reformed Church in Hamilton, ON. Learn more and register at [bit.ly/wtchamilton](http://bit.ly/wtchamilton)

### **MAKE A DIFFERENCE THIS SUMMER!**

You can make a difference in the life of a young person in Hungary this summer! Resonate partner Momo Victor is inviting college-aged students from Canada and the United States to help lead two week-long evangelistic English camps. You'll need a love for kids, a sense of adventure, and a desire to serve God! Learn more and apply at [resonateglobalmission.org/summercamp](http://resonateglobalmission.org/summercamp)

### **BIBLICAL GUIDE TO DISCIPLINE**

Discipline is one of the most important—and challenging—responsibilities of parenting. "Biblical Discipline: A Guide for Christian Parents," an ebook from Family Fire, offers encouragement and answers your questions about child discipline. Get the ebook with your free email subscription at [FamilyFire.com/Discipline](http://FamilyFire.com/Discipline)