

## HOW WE SERVE AT ESSEX CRC

### Nursery

Today

### AV

Today Christian & Sterling S

May 15 Tim K, John vH

May 22 Tim K, John vH

### Coffee Clean Up

Today Ben & Tina S

May 15 Joanne W, Rita O

May 22 John & Margaret vN

### Little Lambs

Today

### Offerings

Today Melo Clinic & Pregnancy Centre

May 15 Matthew House

May 22 Mortgage Reduction

### Preacher

Today Pastor Steve Vandyk

May 15 Pastor Steve Vandyk & Pastor Mike Vandyk

May 22 Mr. Ben Sr.



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



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### Pastor's Office Hours

Monday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Tuesday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Wednesday – Day off

Thursday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

### Church Office Hours

Tuesday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Thursday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

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### Essex CRC Council Executive

Council Chair – Joanne W

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Deacon Chair – Jim G



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**Mother's Day**  
**Sunday May 8, 2022**  
**Morning Worship 10:00 am**

The April Banner and May/June Today booklets are ready for pick up on the back table.

## MOTHER'S DAY SUNDAY MAY 8, 2022

Welcome to everyone either here in-person or online to our worship service this morning. 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 endure with various health issues **Jack D, Lea H, Anna R, Gerry S, Doris V, Wilma W, Johanna W** along with our elderly in care homes or those receiving extra support (**Pete & Betty A, Cory B, Diny K, Nick K Sr, John O and Anna P**).

### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Congratulations to Betty B (Mon), Homer V & Amanda R (Tues), Emily K (Wed) and Sandra Z (Sat). May the Lord bless you!

### What is Happening This Week

10:00 am – Sunday Morning Worship with Pastor Steve Vandyk in-person or online at Facebook/Essex CRC.

11:30 am – Connection Corner

Connection Corner – Monday at 6:30 pm on Zoom

Connection Corner - Wednesday at 10:00 am

Connection Corner – Wednesday 7:00 pm at the home of Andrea S

Youth Connection Corner – Wednesday at 7:00 pm on Zoom

Connection Corner – Saturday at 9:00 am in the Cadet Garage

Next Sunday May 15, 2022

10:00 am – Sunday Morning Worship with Pastor Steve Vandyk in-person or online at Facebook/EssexCRC. We will witness the baptism of Brayden Micah son of Pastor Steve & Rosanne Vandyk

### SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars and plan to attend a Potluck Lunch after church on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>! More details to follow.

### GET INSPIRED THIS SUMMER

Join us August 4-6 in Tinley Park, near Chicago for Inspire 2022. Be refreshed by three days of speakers, worship, workshops, prayer, and fellowship with CRC members from across the continent. **Register now for the early bird rate, and gather five or more from one church to get the group rate!** Learn more at [www.crcna.org/inspire](http://www.crcna.org/inspire)

### FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

I will be out of the office from May 9 – 20, 2002. We will try to send out emails and weekly updates to keep members informed.

### Weekly Offerings

Today's offerings are for the **FINANCIAL MINISTRY PLAN** and **MELO CLINIC & PREGNANCY CENTRE**

We have two ways for you to give. The first opportunity to give is during the offering today, or take a baby bottle and fill it up during the Change-4-Life Campaign. Either way it is a great way to help women and families here in Essex County. You are not limited to only 1 way to give you may choose both ways!

### CHANGE-4-LIFE – MOTHER'S DAY TO FATHER'S DAY

On Sunday May 8, we are encouraged you to take a baby bottle on the back table and fill it with your spare change. This money will be used to help support couples and women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy. Counselling and assistance are available from the Melo Clinic and Pregnancy Centre in Leamington and Windsor. Bring back your bottle on Father's Day June 19, 2022. Please make sure your envelope number is included in the bottle. For more information, see one of the Deacons.

May 15 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.

### JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR SYNOD 2022

Synodical delegates, church leaders, and CRCNA members across the continent are praying for Synod 2022. Please join us! Prayer gatherings for synodical delegates are scheduled for May 11 and May 25. We will post prayer guides on the Network each time so that you can pray with us at a time that works for you as families, individuals, church councils, small groups, and others. Need some prayer points to pray through now? Find the April 27 prayer guide at <https://netwrok.crcna.org/prayer/prayer-guide-synod-psalm-13>

### LET'S JOIN WORLD RENEW IN CELEBRATING MOMS OF HOPE

A Mom of Hope is a woman who knows she is blessed by God with skills and resources to support her family. She looks to the future trusting in God's love and abundance. Today, your gift to World Renew's Free A Family® program will help equip mothers in vulnerable communities around the world to overcome trauma, multiply their income, and gain access to education and training so they can become Moms of Hope. To donate, call 1-888-WRLD-RNW or go online to: [www.worldrenew.ca/momsofhope](http://www.worldrenew.ca/momsofhope)

## NEWGROUND

“God creates each of us by Christ Jesus to join Him in the work He does, the good work He has gotten ready for us to do - work we had better be doing” (Eph. 2:7-10, MSG). Over the years, the NewGround program of Diaconal Ministries Canada has helped over 100 churches in Canada love their communities! Yet there are still churches that don't have the resources or expertise they need. Will you help? Your generous donations to NewGround will help even more churches discover God's dreams for their local community and how they can join Him. We have also added a Youth Justice Project to empower the next generation of justice-seekers! Learn more about this program and donate today by visiting Diaconal Ministries Canada's website: [www.diaconalministries.com/newground](http://www.diaconalministries.com/newground)

## MAY 2022 SAFE CHURCH WEBINAR

Step 2 Making and Revising Policy - Join us May 18 at 12pm (Eastern) for Webinar 2 of our Safe Church Basics Series. In this webinar, Safe Church Ministry staff will highlight common myths hidden within many abuse prevention policies, share a new model policy, and hear from other leaders about ways they have navigated the tedious task of revising and making policies. Register at: <https://bit.ly/SCwebinarMay22>

## GOD IS OUR PROTECTOR

Check out the new kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net) Psalm 121 tells how God is our ultimate protector. The psalmist reminds us that “He will not let your foot slip” (v. 3) and that God “is your shade at your right hand” (v. 5). This means that if we reach for help, God will be there. Listen now at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) and check out all the new content.

## BELIEVE: JESUS AND THE DISCIPLES

Studying Jesus' first appearance to his disciples and later his appearance to Thomas offers us encouragement for our faith even when believing in Jesus isn't easy. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study John 20:19-31 to learn why belief in Jesus is a lifestyle, not a onetime event, and why Jesus' promises to his disciples give us hope yet today. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Faith Practice Reflection - Reflection and Discussion Starter—the Practice of Prayer: Read Psalm 145 and ponder or discuss the following questions. Of the four components of the ACTS model for prayer (adoration, confession, thanksgiving, supplication), adoration seems to be the part of prayer that is difficult for many people in the Reformed tradition. Is that true for you? If so, why do you think that is? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit [bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject](http://bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject))

## MOTHER'S DAY SUNDAY MAY 8, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP – 10:00 AM

PASTOR STEVE VANDYK

MUSIC – ASHLEY ALLEN, PRAISE TEAM

### THE GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Opening

Call to Worship

† Gathering Song “Here I Am to Worship” *LUYH 567*

† God's Greeting

† Song of Praise “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” *LUYH 521*  
“You Are My King (Amazing Love)” *LUYH 360*

### CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

### OFFERINGS AND PRAYERS

Offering

Financial Ministry Plan – *plate*

Melo Clinic & Pregnancy Centre – *bag*

### THE PROCLAMATION

Children's Song “This Li'l Light of Mine” *LUYH 930*

Children's Moment

The Prayers of God's People

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading Psalm 139

Message Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

† Song of Response “He Knows My Name” *LUYH 339*

### THE SENDING

† Benediction

† Doxology “Glory Be to the Father” *LUYH 959*

† Postlude

† *Indicates Congregation standing if able*