

HOW WE SERVE AT ESSEX CRC

Nursery

Today Alissa, Claire
Nov 10 Sarah, Sterling
Nov 17 Greg S, Erin

Greeters

Hans & Geraldine
Eric & Melissa
Pete & Tammy

Usher

Today Albert
Nov 10 Marjan
Nov 17 John O

AV

Beverley & John
Rylee & Ryan
Rylee & Ryan

Coffee Clean Up

Today Ben & Tina, Pete & Tammy
Nov 10 Eric & Melissa, John & Margaret
Nov 17 Carl & Florence, Willem & Anél

Scripture Readers

Today Sarah
Nov 10 Ben Sr.
Nov 17 Darcy

Children's Moment

Linda
Song
Greg S

Elevator

John D
Joel
Fred

Offerings

Today World Renew – World Hunger
Nov 10 Back to God Ministries
Nov 17 Ministry Shares

Library

Sarah
Doris
Sarah

Pastoral Prayer

Today John D
Nov 10 John vN
Nov 17 Carl

Worship Leader

Pastor Bill Hoogland
Pastor Mark Verbruggen
Mr. Steve Baarda



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/EssexCRC 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

From the Mat'ters – We need your milk bags for our mats. You can leave them in the grey box downstairs.

The Greatest Gift of All

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
John 3:16 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 3:14-17



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C O Z Z R E L U Q S T E Z J Z
O S S C Q R L I F T E D K F X
N O B E O L S I M P V G S D V
D N Q W S O J I E Z D J O N L
E S T I Z V H U A V L F M Y Y
M C L R P E R I S H E D K L W
N A R Y N D I B D F X S N S H
E T E R N A L N I M B O R E O
K J C O Z H E S A D F C V D E
A X I R Y S U V N T E A G J V
U B B D F W K S V A G S K Y E
A H Z R Y Q U Y Z Z K U E V R
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WORLD	THROUGH	GAVE	BELIEVES	SEND
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ONLY	LOVED	CONDEMN	WHOEVER	SAVE
SNAKE	MOSES	LIFTED	DESERT	LIFE

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 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, Diny, and Anna**).

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Congratulations to Henry (Wed). May the Lord bless you!

What is Happening This Week

10:00 am – Sunday Morning Worship with Pastor Bill Hoogland

3:00 pm – Fall Hymn Sing

The Mat'ters – Monday at 10:00 am

GEMS & Cadets – Monday at 6:30 pm

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

Prayer for Healthy Church – Tuesday at 10:00 am

Catechism – Tuesday at 7:00 pm

Council – Wednesday at 7:00 pm

Next Sunday November 10, 2019

10:00 am – Morning Worship with Pastor Mark Verbruggen

UP COMING EVENT – CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Please mark **Wednesday November 20, 2019** on your calendar for Congregational meeting to discuss the Manse. More details will be in your church mailboxes next week. This meeting will begin at 7:00 pm

FALL HYMN SING – THIS AFTERNOON

You are invited to the Fall Hymn Sing service here at Essex CRC, on Sunday, November 3rd at 3pm. There will be music with pipe organ, piano and trumpet. A free will offering will be taken for the Essex Food Bank. Social time and refreshments to follow the service. Hope to see you there. You are encouraged to invite a friend as well.

NOTE FROM THE TREASURER

Treasurer Harvey is preparing the 2020 Church Budget. All groups or committees are asked to give your budget submissions to the treasurer by Sunday November 25, 2019.

LADIES NIGHT IS BACK!

All ladies are invited to Ladies Night Out each third Saturday of the month. Our next night out is Saturday November 16 at Benko's Pizza, 19 Laird Street, Essex at 6:00 pm. For more information, see Andrea.

The November issue of the Banner is ready for pick up on the back table.

Weekly Offerings

Today's offerings are for the **FINANCIAL MINISTRY PLAN** and **WORLD RENEW-WORLD HUNGER**.

Today we are taking an offering to support the work of World Renew as they work with hungry families around the world. Each of the 821 million hungry people on our planet is as particular and precious to God as you are. Thank you for giving as you are able to a ministry that firmly believes that God can "accomplish abundantly far more than all we ask or imagine."

November 10 offering is for Back to God Ministries. BGHMI desires to provide ministry tools and practical resources to help churches disciple their congregations and beyond. When churches partner with Back to God Ministries International, we are all able to reach more people with the Gospel.

HELLO CONGREGATION!

Our sincerest thanks to all who supported not only the Essex Food Bank with donations of food this year but also your involvement with, and helping the Gems with items for Operation Christmas Child!
from the Deacons

ANNUAL BAKE SALE & SOUP LUNCHEON – SATURDAY DECEMBER 7

We hope you will set aside December 7 for our annual Christmas Bake Sale & Soup Luncheon. We are also encouraging members to donate to our Craft Table and/or the White Elephant table. If you would like to donate some of your unwanted small items or books for our White Elephant table, see Rita or Florence.

ATTENTION PRAYER PARTNERS

Classis Chatham Church Plant team is in the midst of planning a new Church Plant in and around Essex County. They are looking for people to partner with them in prayer. Once a month you will be sent different items to pray for as they make decisions concerning this new ministry. For more details, see Beverley in the church office.

YOUTH SERVICE

All Youth are welcome to a Youth Service at Aylmer CRC on Sunday, November 10, 2019 beginning at 5:00 pm. Our Guest Speaker is Tom Mosterd, with the opportunity of Praise and Worship time. There will be a soup and bun dinner after the service. Need more info, message Rose at happy.r@hotmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

A Journey to Christmas with the LIBERTAS Male Choir. Mark your calendars for this very special concert series as we welcome back from the Netherlands, our director, Martin Mans with Martin Zonnenberg-organ/piano and Marjolein de Wit-flute. Friday November 29 at Knox Presbyterian Church, 59 Riddell Street West, Woodstock. N4S 6M2 Tickets and info at www.libertasvoices.com or 905-522-0001 Concert begins at 7:30 pm.

GEMS UPDATE

We want to share some updates and requests from the GEMS with our church family:

- We have grown again from last year and we have 27 girls registered with new ones still coming in to try it out! It is a great blessing to know that there are so many girls coming and learning that they are LOVED. Please pray for the leaders as we teach these girls week by week more about Jesus and how He loves them.
- As in previous years, we are in need of a few sponsors for some girls as they want to come to GEMS but their parents cannot afford the annual membership cost. Please pray about this and if it is in your heart to share with these girls, come and talk to Andrea.
- Our newest change this year is that we are using a computer and projector each and every week for the music and videos that come with our theme material. A huge thank you to the Board of Administration and Ryan for helping us get this projector working! One more thing we are looking for is an extension cord needed to supply power to this new system. If anyone has one lying around their home not being used, please donate it to the GEMS. Talk to any of the leaders if you happen to have an extra extension cord. We can also return it at the end of the year (*if*) you would like.
- Another huge THANK YOU to Marjan and Aisha who spent an entire night a few weeks ago with GEMS. They taught the girls how to be a blessing to the world by teaching them what the Matters group does with milk bags.
- Our big night with Operation Christmas Child is coming soon! Only a couple more weeks to continue to bring in supplies for our Christmas boxes. We will be packing them on Monday, November 18th. Keep bringing in supplies! There can never be enough! if you cannot get out and pick up supplies, cash donations are greatly appreciated too as we are also required to cover the cost of shipping for the boxes.

FREE ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

How Long, Lord? is an email devotional series put together by World Renew and the CRC Office of Social Justice that features reflections from CRC ministries around the world during Advent 2019. Witnessing destruction and injustices can often lead us to ask the same question that God's people and the prophets in the Bible asked: "How Long, Lord?" As we continue to wrestle with that question we can also have hope that our pain will not be forever and that the God who made us is with us, now and forever. Each devotion will be delivered to your email inbox every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, starting December 2, 2019, through Christmas Day. Go to crcna.org/advent to sign up today!

THE ANNUAL WOODSTOCK BOXING DAY HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Calling all Ice Hockey Players. We are looking for teams to play in the Annual Woodstock Boxing Day Hockey Tournament to be played at Woodstock Community Complex on Thursday December 26, 2019. All proceeds will be going to Woodstock Christian School.

There will be a competitive and recreational division so please let me know what level you would like to compete in.

The cost for submitting a team is \$750 with a guarantee of 3 games. It is sure to be a fun day filled with good quality hockey. Please contact Greg Geerlinks at (519) 495-0448 or gregoryalfred@hotmail.com for more details.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3, 2019
MORNING WORSHIP – 10:00 AM

PASTOR BILL HOOGLAND
MUSIC – ASHLEY ALLEN, PRAISE TEAM

THE GATHERING

Prelude		
Welcome & Opening		
† Call to Worship		
† Gathering Song	“The Solid Rock”	LUYH 772
† God’s Greeting		
† Song of Praise	“Whom Shall I Fear”	<i>on screen</i>

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

Prayer of Confession		
Assurance of Pardon		
God’s Will for Us		
Song of Response	“My Jesus, I Love Thee”	LUYH 366

OFFERINGS AND PRAYERS

Offering	Financial Ministry Plan – <i>plate</i> World Renew – World Hunger – <i>bag</i>
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THE PROCLAMATION

Children’s Song	“He’s Got the Whole World”	LUYH 26
Children’s Moment		<i>after which children ages 3 – Grade 6 leave for Sunday school</i>
The Prayers of God’s People		
Prayer of Illumination		
Scripture Reading	1 Thessalonians 5: 1 – 11	<i>pg 1269</i>
Message	Sooner or Later	
† Song of Response	“Jerusalem The Golden”	LUYH 488

THE SENDING

† Benediction		
† Doxology	“Blessed Be Your Name”	LUYH 343
† Postlude		
†	<i>Indicates Congregation standing if able</i>	