

HOW WE SERVE AT ESSEX CRC

Nursery

Today

AV

Today Tim K & John vH

Nov 27 Chris & Sterling S

Dec 4 Chris & Sterling S

Coffee Clean Up

Today Matt & Charmaine V

Nov 27 John & Margaret vN

Dec 4 Reach Up Committee

Little Lambs

Today

Offerings

Today Matthew House

Nov 27 Diaconal Ministries

Dec 4 Calvin University

Preacher

Today Pastor Steve Vandyk

Nov 27 Pastor Steve Vandyk

Dec 4 Pastor Steve Vandyk



Our Church facility is equipped with an Induction Loop Assistive Listening System. See 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!

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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Vice-Chair – Matt V

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Deacon Chair – Linda M



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REFORMED CHURCH

519-776-5071
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Sunday November 20, 2022

Morning Worship 10:00 am

The November Banner and November/December Today booklets are ready for pick up on the back table.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20, 2022

Weekly Offerings

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, Carl J, Gail L, Anna R, Gerry S, Winny S, Doris V, Johanna W** along with our elderly in care homes or those receiving extra support (**Pete & Betty A, Cory B, Nick K Sr and Anna P.**

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Congratulations to Carolyn D (Thurs), Niesje S (Fri) & Janet G (Fri) and Anne B (Sat) & Ruth K (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.

GEMS & Cadets – Monday at 6:30 pm

Catechism – Tuesday at 7:00 pm

Praise Practice – Wednesday at 6:30 pm

Time of Prayer – Saturday at 8:45 am

Next Sunday November 27, 2022

10:00 am – First Sunday of Advent Morning Worship with Pastor Steve Vandyk in-person or online at Facebook/EssexCRC.

ANNUAL BAKE SALE & SOUP LUNCHEON & CHILI EVENT

Mark your calendars and plan to attend our Annual Bake Sale & Soup Luncheon Event on Saturday December 10, from 9:30 am – 1:30 pm.

We are so excited to be able to host a sit down soup and chili luncheon. There will also be take-out option as well. We are so glad to be able to have a Chili fundraising in support of Ella S. We also would like to let everyone know that all profits from the Bake Sale and Luncheon will be donated in support of Ella S. For more information, see Rita or Beverley

POTLUCK LUNCHEON! DECEMBER 4

Join us for a **Potluck Lunch** following the service on **Sunday December 4**. Please bring a lunch item or a dessert or both! Getting together and sharing a meal is a great way we can connect as Brothers and Sisters in Christ. We look forward to seeing all of you!

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.

November 27 offering is for Diaconal Ministries. This offering helps Diaconal Ministries Canada partner with churches and ministries across Canada to demonstrate God's love in the community.

FROM OUR CROSSROADS TEAM

Our crossroads A Night to Remember was fruitful. Special thanks to all who prepared their hearts and minds for the evening. The photos, memorabilia and stories were so important. Without question, Gods hand was at work in the room.

The crossroads team will unpack the discussion and written responses on December 6. In the meantime, please feel free to reach out to the crossroads team to discuss any further thoughts you may have at essexcrgcrossroads@gmail.com

Early in the new year our congregation will meet again to discuss the present. It may be challenging to speak truth with love, but in order to return to a kingdom focus it will be necessary.

Please pray for Essex CRC, the crossroads process and each other.

FREE ADVENT DEVOTION: PREPARE THE WAY

Join World Renew, Resonate, and CRCNA Social Justice as we reflect on what it means to "prepare the way for the Lord" in the midst of injustice, conflict, and creation that groans. Sign up to receive reflections every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in Advent at www.crcna.org/advent

CHRISTMAS HOPE AND THE WOMEN IN JESUS' FAMILY TREE

Is a five-part Bible study podcast series and ebook from Groundwork exploring the stories of Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, and Mary. Through their experiences, we hear the message that no matter how broken we may feel, Jesus Christ came into our world to conquer sin, the root cause of our brokenness. Get it when you subscribe to Groundwork at www.groundworkonline.com/christmashope

GENEROUS IN ALL THINGS

Check out the kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net Thank God for all the ways he's been generous. How can you show generosity? It's not about how much you have, but what you do with what you have. Listen now at kidscorner.net and check out all the new content.

SAFE CHURCH 2022 WEBINAR SERIES: SAFE CHURCH BASICS

Webinar 5: Responding to Abuse with Compassion and Justice - This webinar will feature Rev. Amanda Benckhuysen and Rev. Eric Kas as they walk through the basics of responding to an abuse allegation. This fifth step will premiere November 30th at 12 pm ET as a pre-recorded video resource on our YouTube Channel: www.Youtube.com/SafeChurchMinistry We will also be hosting a watch party with many Safe Church Coordinators of Classes - all are invited as well to share via chat, ask questions, and connect briefly together at 1 pm ET (10am PT). You may register for this Collective Zoom Watch Meeting here: <https://bit.ly/SCwebinar5>

At-home Faith Formation Tip - "Wondering questions" are an excellent way to engage kids (and people of all ages!) with Scripture. For example, after you read the creation story, ask open-ended questions like "I wonder what it looked like when God created the stars?" "I wonder what it would be like if there were no predators in our world?" "I wonder what you would feel like if you were the first person in God's creation?" (Tip from Faith Formation; bit.ly/CRCFaithFormation)

At-home Faith Formation Tip - In Liturgy of the Ordinary (IVP 2016), Tish Warren writes, "In my daily life I've developed habits of impatience—of speeding ahead, of trying to squeeze more into my cluttered day. How can I live as one who watches and waits for the coming kingdom when I can barely wait for water to boil?" As the Advent season draws near, how might you more fully embrace the discipline of waiting in your everyday home life? (Tip from Faith Formation; bit.ly/CRCFaithFormation)

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20, 2022
MORNING WORSHIP — 10:00 AM

PASTOR STEVE VANDYK
MUSIC — ASHLEY ALLEN, PRAISE TEAM

THE GATHERING

Prelude		
Welcome & Opening		
Call to Worship		
† Gathering Song	"I Am Not My Own"	<i>on screen</i>
† God's Greeting		
† Song of Praise	"I Will Offer Up My Life"	<i>on screen</i>
	"In Christ Alone"	<i>LUYH 770</i>

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon

OFFERINGS AND PRAYERS

Offering Financial Ministry Plan – *plate*
 Matthew House – *bag*

THE PROCLAMATION

Children's Song	"Jesus Loves Me"	<i>LUYH 709</i>
	<i>Children are invited to come forward during the children's song</i>	
Children's Moment		
The Prayers of God's People		
Prayer of Illumination		
Scripture Reading	1 Samuel 31	
Message	Saul's End	
† Song of Response	"My Soul Finds Rest"	<i>LUYH 370</i>

THE SENDING

† Benediction		
† Doxology	"Glory Be to the Father"	<i>LUYH 959</i>
† Postlude		
†	<i>Indicates Congregation standing if able</i>	