

HOW WE SERVE AT ESSEX CRC

Nursery

Today Heather H, Avery V
Sept 15 Kerry W, Joseph D
Sept 22 Tammy K, Chris S

AV

Today Tim K, Emerson V
Sept 15 Chris S, Sterling S
Sept 22 Chris S, Sterling S

Coffee Clean Up

Today Ben V
Sept 15 John & Beverley vH
Sept 22 Matt & Charmaine V

Offerings

Today Resonate Global Missions
Sept 15 Diaconal Ministries Canada
Sept 22 Ministry Shares

Lead Elder

Pete K
Matt V
Peter D

Sunday School

Renee B
Renee B
Renee B

Greeters

Matt & Charmaine V
Jamie & Renee B
Peter & Jacoba D

Preacher

Pastor Darrell Edgar 9:00 am
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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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Church Office Hours

Thursday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Contact Information

Church Office – Contact Information 519-776-5071, office@essexcrc.ca

Essex CRC Council Executive

Council Chair – Greg S
Vice-Chair – Matt V
Clerk – Ben V clerk@essexcrc.ca
Deacon Chair – Linda M



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

Sunday September 8, 2024
Morning Worship 9:00 am

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

Weekly Offerings

Welcome to everyone either here in-person to our worship service this morning. Do plan to stay and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea with us.

Our Church Family

We express our sincerest condolences to **Simon V** and family in the passing **Doris V**. May God continue to comfort the family with his strength.

Keep those family members and friends in prayer as they endure with various health issues **Robin B, Chris & Anne B, Gail L, Ruth S, Winnie S, Niesje S, Johanna W** along with our elderly in care homes or those receiving extra support **Cory B, Nick K Sr, and Simon V**.

What is Happening This Week

9:00 am – Morning Worship in-person and online where we welcome Pastor Darrell Edgar

Prayer Meeting – Wednesday at 7:00 pm

Praise Practice – Wednesday at 8:00 pm

Next Sunday September 15, 2024

9:00 am – Morning Worship in-person and online where we welcome Pastor Darrell Edgar.

NOTE SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

Sunday services with Pastor Darrell Edgar will always be at 9 AM. When we have a classical appointment or other preachers who may be traveling a distance our worship services will be at 10 AM.

PRAYER MEETING

The Prayer meetings are Wednesdays at 7:00PM at the church and lasts less than 1 hour. You do not have to pray out loud but can pray silently if that is what you are comfortable with. If you want to forward any prayer requests, e-mail them to Greg at gregdrea@gmail.com
Hebrews 4: 14 – 16 What a Privilege to Carry Everything to God in Prayer.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

A special congregational meeting will be held **Wednesday September 25 at 7pm** to review the new Articles and By-Law changes and vote on them. We need a 2/3 positive vote of members in attendance to pass our Articles, and a majority vote of members in attendance to pass the By-Laws. We encourage all members to attend.

Today's offerings are for the **FINANCIAL MINISTRY PLAN** and **RESONATE GLOBAL MISSIONS**

Resonate Global Mission, your Christian Reformed mission agency, goes with you on this mission to every town and place. When you look for new ways to engage with your own community, discover where God is moving, and join God on mission around the corner and around the world, Resonate is here for you. God has given us all we need to fulfill his call to mission—what does that mean for you and your church? Your most important partners on mission are all around you, and your mission field is just steps away.

September 15 offering is for Diaconal Ministries. Diaconal Ministries Canada partner with churches and ministries across Canada to demonstrate God's love in the community.

COUNCIL REPORT

Council met this past Wednesday evening and the following items were discussed:

- Elders Greg Schinkel and Matt VandenBrink will be attending the September Classis meeting held on Tuesday September 24, 2024 at Wallaceburg CRC
- Council is thankful that they were able to complete the By-Laws that were required for ONCA. The By-Laws will be published and sent to the congregation so we can vote on them at our upcoming congregational meeting held on Wednesday, September 25th at 7 PM Council would like to thank Elder Matt VandenBrink for all the hard work, preparation and research throughout this process. Council would also like to thank everyone for all the prayers and support during this time.

THRIVE FAITH FORMATION TIP

The Bible teaches us that God is redeeming the world, reversing the effects of the fall into sin, and restoring every area that is infected by sin. God invites us to join in this redeeming work as people who have experienced God's love and grace (2 Cor. 5:17-21). One way we can join in is by reflecting God's hospitality, welcome, and love to the people around us. Consider someone at school or work who could use a friend. In what small ways can you show kindness and be a friend to the person God has placed on your heart? Brought to you by Thrive: www.crcna.org/Thrive

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8, 2024
MORNING WORSHIP – 10:00 AM

LEAD ELDER PETE KUIPERS
WORSHIP LEADER PASTOR DARRELL EDGAR
MUSIC – PRAISE TEAM

ARE YOU A DEACON?

Then there is training and support for you! Being a deacon is an exciting opportunity to lead church members to share Christ's love and mercy with those both inside and outside of their church walls. Since 2001, Diaconal Ministries Canada has provided relevant and practical training and resources to deacons to support them in their role. Through the generous support of Canadian CRC churches, Diaconal Ministries offers a network of Diaconal Coaches and regional staff, as well as our NewGround Program (formerly Operation Manna) which helps churches love their communities. Visit our website and contact us today - www.diaconalministries.com We are here to help!

MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH CONFERENCE, NOV 15 – 16, 2024
Diaconal Ministries Canada and Resonate Global Mission invite CRC members and leaders for an inspiring event you don't want to miss! Join us Friday evening (Nov. 15) for worship and a plenary session by Caesar Kalinowski and all day Saturday (Nov. 16) for worship, workshops, storytelling, and more! To be held at Compass Point Church in Burlington, Ontario. Visit our website for more details, workshop descriptions, and registration info: <https://www.resonateglobalmission.org/moving-forward-faith>

GROUNDWORK: GOD'S PRESENCE WITH HIS PEOPLE

God delights to dwell with his people, but he is holy and his presence cannot remain with unholy people. Join Groundwork as we study Ezekiel chapters 10, 11, and 36 to witness the painful consequences of Israel's unholy ways and hear the hope God offers even in the midst of those consequences. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

KIDS CORNER: CHURCH: WE BELONG TO GOD

Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net God brought all of us together so that we could be thankful for Jesus dying on the cross for our sins and to help each other live like him. The Church reminds us that we belong to God as part of his family. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Church in Action comic book.

THE GATHERING

- † Gathering Song "What a Beautiful Name" *on screen*
 - † Welcome
 - † Call to Worship
 - † God's Greeting
 - † Song of Praise "Mighty to Save" *LUYH 611*
"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" *LUYH 590*
- Announcements

OFFERINGS AND PRAYERS

Offering Financial Ministry Plan – *Budget Box*
Resonate Global Missions – *plate*

The Prayers of the People

- † Song of Response "Lord I Need You" *on screen*
- † Children's Song "This Little Light of Mine" *on screen*
Children are dismissed to go to Sunday School

THE PROCLAMATION

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading Acts 6: 7 – 15; Acts 7: 1;
Acts 7: 51 – 60; Acts 8: 1 – 2

Message Faithful Witness

- † Song of Response "Blessed Be Your Name" *LUYH 343*

THE SENDING

- † Parting Blessing
- † Doxology "Praise God, Whom All Blessings Flow" *LUYH 965*
- † Postlude
- † *Indicates Congregation standing if able*