



Wallaceburg Christian Reformed Church

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**April 5, 2026
Easter Sunday**

10:00 am: Pastor Tim Leferink

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song of Praise LUYH# 224 **Rejoice, the Lord Is King**
Gathering BY God's Grace

*God Calls Us Into Worship:

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

In our anguish we cried to the LORD,
and he answered by setting us free.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

The LORD is our strength and our song;
he has become our salvation.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

We will not die but live,
and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;
The LORD has done this;

and it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

—from Psalm 118:1, 5, 14, 17, 22-24, NIV

*Opening Prayer and Greeting

*Songs of Praise: LUYH# 227 **He Is Lord**

LUYH# 191 **Praise the Saviour, Now and Ever**

Growing through God's Grace

Short Easter Reflection

Dramatic Reading – The Dawn of the Empty Tomb

*Profession of Faith

Jesus Christ is the hope of God's world.

**In his death, the justice of God is established;
forgiveness of sin is proclaimed.**

**On the day of his resurrection,
the tomb was empty; his disciples saw him;**


**death was defeated; new life had come.
God's purpose for the world was sealed.**

—from Our Song of Hope, st. 4

*Song: LUYH# 182 **Christ the Lord Is Risen Today**
 Prayer with the Children (*children ages 3 – grade 2 leave for Sunday School*)
 Video: Mini Movie – The Third Day

Scripture Reading: Matthew 12:38-42
Sermon: "Jesus, Jonah and You"
 *Song of Response: LUYH# 568 **I Will Sing of My Redeemer**
 Offering: Salvation Army

Going WITH God's Grace
 Congregational Prayer
 *Blessing
 *Closing Song: LUYH# 361 **Because He Lives**

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 A warm and special welcome to all those who are joining us in worship today.  
 We are so glad you are here!  
 May we have a blessed day as we praise our awesome God!  
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 : **PRAYER:** If you would like someone to pray with you, Pastor Tim and/or the
 : Officiating Elder will be at the front of the sanctuary after each service.
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OFFICIATING ELDER:
 April 5: Jim Kraayenbrink April 12: Wayne Vandendool
 April 19: Nick Dykema April 26: Glen Lubbers

OFFERINGS:
 April 5: Salvation Army
 Deacons: Kaley Bergsma and Jeff DePooter
 April 12: Canadian Foodgrains Bank
 Deacons: Fred Kraayenbrink and Wilf Allaer
 April 19: Resonate Global Mission
 Deacons: Jeff DePooter and Kaley Bergsma
 April 26: GEMS
 Deacons: Wilf Allaer and Fred Kraayenbrink

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING: Today, **Easter Sunday** the offering will support our local **Salvation Army**. There is a great need here in Wallaceburg as this location is very busy. Your donations are much needed and very much appreciated.
NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING: **Next week, April 12** your offering supports the World Renew-Canadian Foodgrains Bank (Canada) which is a partnership of 15 church and church-based agencies working together to end global hunger. Donations are matched by the Canadian government 4:1. More information can be found at www.foodgrainsbank.ca

COUNCIL MEETING: Council meets Wednesday, April 8 at 7 pm.

Bible Study: The **Bible Study** on the book of **Hebrews** continues **this Tuesday at 7:00** at the church. Hope to see you there!

Pulpit Supply: Next Sunday, April 12th Pastor Tim is off as 5th Sunday. Mr. Matt Weverink from Chatham Grace will be with us to lead us in worship.



MIT'S BIT'S: Easter Sunday!
 If you're like me at all, sometimes you may wonder what all the fuss is about regarding Easter. Isn't this just another one of those Christian holidays?
 The reason why we celebrate Easter is because of the wonder that it does for us who believe in Jesus. It never hurts, then, to remind ourselves of the importance of this day... First, after Jesus died, He rose. He went from dead to alive not because of some magical trick, but because He has power over death! Death is the final enemy of us all and someday we will all undergo a physical death. But because Jesus went there and then came back alive three days later, we know that if death can't hold onto Him, then it won't be able to hold on to us either! Death has no victory! Death's sting is all but gone!
 This is a message of hope for everyone who believes in Jesus. You don't have to jump through hoops trying to get to a level of goodness. You don't have to try to measure up somehow to see how able, how holy you are. No. All you need to do is to believe in Jesus. That's all. It's the only work you need to do – as it says in John 6:28-29: "Then they asked him, 'What must we do to do the works God requires?' Jesus answered, 'The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.'"
 Praise God! Jesus is risen! We are living an eternal life!

FAMILY CIRCLE: We give thanks **Don Crowe's** surgery went well. Please keep Don in your prayers as he recovers. Continue to pray for all of our seniors, those who suffer illnesses, and those who are lonely or shut-in. May they feel God's presence in their lives and may He bring healing.

Ladies Bible Study: The **Ladies Bible Study** on **Micah—Hear and Hope in God's Word** continues next week **Monday, April 13 at 7 pm**. All ladies are welcome!

CHURCH VISITORS: Classis Ontario Southwest Church Visitors have been invited to attend the next Council meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2026. Pastor Nate Vandendend from Chatham First Christian Reformed Church and Elder George Flikweert will be visiting. If anyone has praises, questions, or concerns they would like to share with the church visitors, please contact Pastor Nate at revnenvandenend@gmail.com or at 416-889-8025.

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS: Council is asking the congregation to submit nominations for **2 Elders and 1 Deacon**. Retiring Elders are **Jim Kraayenbrink** and **Wayne Vandendool**, and the retiring Deacon is **Fred Kraayenbrink**. Please prayerfully consider who may be gifted for these roles. You are encouraged to speak with those you nominate and share the gifts you see in them for this work. Signed nominations may be given to any member of council or placed in the council mailbox. A table is provided at the end of the bulletin for your convenience. Nominations must be submitted before the next council meeting on **Wednesday, April 8, 2026**.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU;
 THE LORD MAKE HIS FACE SHINE ON YOU AND BE GRACIOUS TO YOU;
 THE LORD TURN HIS FACE TOWARD YOU AND GIVE YOU PEACE.
NUMBERS 6:4-26

April 7 ~ Pete Vandendool
 April 7 ~ Jim Kraayenbrink
 April 7 ~ Makenna Lubbers
 April 8 ~ Tymen Hopman

Please note: nominations are not limited to the four spaces on the form in the bulletin.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Happy Easter! We now move from Lent into Eastertide, a season of extended celebration of Jesus' resurrection. This week spend some time reading and reflecting on 2 Corinthians 5:14-21. What part of the passage connects with you the most? Create a reminder of Jesus' death and resurrection by writing a few words from this passage, such as a prayer of

gratitude to God, or by drawing a picture that reflects Jesus' work on the cross. Place your reminder in plain site as a reminder throughout Eastertide to continue your Easter celebration. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

DATE	5- APR	12 - APR	19 - APR	26-APR
Sunday School Ages 3-5	Nicolina B	Nicolina B	Nicolina B	Dana L
Sunday School Grades 1-3	Olga D	Olga D	Olga D	Amanda V
Sunday School Grades 4-8	Lucas D	Lucas D	Lucas D	Lucas D
Nursery	Rob K Joyce D	Megan D Makenna L	Shirley D Jordan L	Shawn L Valerie K
Roamer	Jim K	Fred K	Matt F	Rob K
Greeter	Jeff & Denise	Rob K Rita H	Glen L	GEMS
Coffee Set-up/ Clean-up	Al & Judy	Matt & Tara	Gary & Shirley	Dick & Carolyn
Scripture Readers	Matt 12:38-42	Matt Weverink	Barry Wright	GEMS
VIDEO	Lauren	Colin	Kyle	Connor
CAMERA	Ashton	Weston	Connor	Kyle
SOUND	Jim	Casey	Edmund	Jim

	NAME OF CONFESSING MEMBER	FOR ELDER	FOR DEACON
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Signature:			

