



**December 7, 2025
Second Sunday in Advent**

10:00 am: Pastor Tim Leferink

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering BY God's Grace

Advent Candle Lighting: Peace

*Song: LUYH #61 vs.1,3,4,7 **O Come, O Come Immanuel**

*God Calls Us Into Worship

*Opening Prayer and Greeting

*Song of Praise: LUYH #603 **Shout to the Lord**

Growing through God's Grace

God's Will for Our Lives

*Profession of Faith: Psalm 85:8-13

**I will listen to what God the Lord says;
he promises peace to his people, his faithful servants—
but let them not turn to folly.**

**Surely his salvation is near those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.**

**Love and faithfulness meet together;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.**

**Faithfulness springs forth from the earth,
and righteousness looks down from heaven.**

**The Lord will indeed give what is good,
and our land will yield its harvest.**

Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps.

*Song: LUYH #81 vs.2 **Angels, from the Realms of Glory**

Prayer with the Children (*children ages 3 – grade 2 leave for Sunday School*)

Song of Preparation: SNC #117 **Emmanuel, Emmanuel**

Scripture Reading: Ruth 2

Sermon: "Under the Stars of Bethlehem: God's Face"

*Song of Response: LUYH #598 **You Are Holy (Prince of Peace)**

Offering: Salvation Army (Noisy Collection)

Going WITH God's Grace

Congregational Prayer

*Blessing

*Closing Song: LUYH #80 **Hark! The Herald Angels Sing**

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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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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!

OFFICIATING ELDER:

December 7: Jim Kraayenbrink
December 21: Nick Dykema
December 28: Gary DePooter
December 14: Wayne Vandendool
December 25: Glen Lubbers
January 1: Jim Kraayenbrink

OFFERINGS:

December 7: Salvation Army ~ Noisy Collection
Deacons: Judy Vandendool and Fred Kraayenbrink
December 14: Indwell Sarnia
Deacons: Wilf Allaer and Kaley Bergsma
December 21: Mission Montreal
Deacons: Jeff DePooter and Judy Vandendool
December 25: Knox Food Bank
Deacons: Fred Kraayenbrink and Wilf Allaer
December 28: Knox Food Bank
Deacons: Kaley Bergsma and Jeff DePooter

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING: Today, our offering will be for the "Salvation Army" – "Christ centered – Others Focused". We will be having our annual "Noisy Collection". There is a great need for food items and the food pantry here in Wallaceburg is very busy. Your donations are much needed.

Thank you for bringing non-perishable food items to church next week! They will be collected during the offering time. Any monies donated are always welcome as well. Any donations, whether food items or monies will remain in our own Wallaceburg community.

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING: Next week, December 14th our offering will support Indwell. Indwell is a Christian charity that creates affordable housing communities that support people seeking health, wellness and belonging. Indwell offers tenants a permanent affordable apartment, and provides on-site services including mental health & addiction support, nursing, and food security support.

Learn more about the upcoming George Street Project, Sarnia at indwell.ca

PICKLE BALL: WCRC Pickle Ball continues this Wednesday, December 10 at 7 pm. We have extra paddles if you want to come out and try it. Adults only.

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

Madelynn Lachance ~ December 7
Jeanne Vandendool ~ December 8
Alyssa Lam ~ December 12

Receipts:

Budget Nov 16 + 23 = \$2025.00
NeighbourLink = \$421.45
Voice of the Martyrs = \$1043.90

November E-Transfer Totals:

Budget = \$6,162.00
Canadian Foodgrains Bank = \$655.00
Chatham Hope Haven = \$865.00
NeighbourLink = \$75.00
Voice of the Martyrs = \$75.00
WCS T/A = \$792.00
Total = \$8624.00



MIT'S BIT'S: God really does have it all – even the smallest things! Perhaps the greatest comfort of the Christian life is knowing that our all-loving, all-knowing, all-powerful God has control of all things. There is nothing that happens in this world that He doesn't know about and doesn't allow.

Isaiah 46:10 says "I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, 'My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.' God is sovereign – always was and always will be.

And since He has control, I wonder why we worry about every little thing, when in reality, it's not for us to worry about. Yes, we have different things that come into our sights that may cause us to wonder. But we shouldn't worry because God has a handle on it. Jesus tells us in Matthew 6:25-34 to not worry. Look to God first. The rest will fall into place. This is great and freeing news for you and me! You see, it's all about God. Everything points back to Him. Give Him the recognition and let Him take care of it. It could be easier said than done, as they say. But it's essential to remind ourselves of this wondrous truth.



FAMILY CIRCLE: Congratulations to **Al and Judy Foster** with the birth of a new grandson to love **Peter Alan Baker**. Proud parents are **James and Tina Baker**. We give thanks and praise to God for the beautiful miracle of new life. 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.

PHOTOS: It is that time of year again. We are looking for any photos you might have from this past year of events that happened in our church. We would like to put them together for new Years Day. If you have any please send them to Karen or Lucia. Thank-you

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: All Committees and Ministries are asked to make their requests known to the Finance Committee for the 2026 Budget by Sunday, December 13th. The Finance Committee members are: Gary DePooter, Olga DePooter, Rob Kraayenbrink, and Denise Tessier.

COUNCIL MEETING: Council meets this Wednesday, December 10 at 7 pm.

REFLECTIONS: Join us for Reflections tonight at 6:30 pm.

ANGEL TREE: This Christmas season, we will once again be a part of this Prison Fellowship program that provides Christmas gifts to children who have a parent in prison. To be a part of this program, you can choose a card from the tree that will be in the hallway outside the sanctuary. Please take that card, sign your name on the list beside the tree, purchase a gift with a value of up to \$40, **wrap the gift and return it to the Church by Sunday, December 14.** The card will contain information about the child as well as gift suggestions. I will replace that card with one containing a message from the parent before I deliver the gift. Thank you for your support of this program.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Advent is a season of waiting for Jesus. This week bring awareness to moments in your daily life when you are waiting. Instead of pulling out your phone or passing time with another distraction, use that time to connect with God in prayer. For example, if you're in a doctor's office waiting room, try praying with your eyes open, talking to God about the people who work there and those who come for care. If you have children, invite them to point out things you can pray for as you are waiting and then pray for them together. Whether you are in the school pick-up line, sitting in traffic, or waiting for vegetables to roast, embrace the opportunity to spend time with God. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

SOUP & BUN SUNDAY: If you are able, bring your favorite pot of soup today and plan to stay after the service for a time of food and fellowship together. All are welcome!!!

Kids Corner Devotions: Advent at Home: Silent Night - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Advent at Home: Silent Night” at www.kidscorner.net. Do your worries ever feel really loud? You can tell them, “Shhhhhh! Jesus is here,” and remember that He loves you and gives you peace. Explore all the great content at kidscorner.net, including the Kids Corner Christmas Collection of devotions, Bible stories, crafts, and activities.

Groundwork: Preparing for the Light of the World - Jesus Christ is the ultimate light of the world. During Advent, we celebrate his birth and anticipate his second coming. Join Groundwork as we study Isaiah 40:1-5, Matthew 3:1-3, John 1:1-14, and Matthew 25:35-40 to learn what it means to live in the light of Christ with expectation and to explore what it means to prepare our souls for the hope and illumination that Jesus brings. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

DATE	7– DEC	14– DEC	21– DEC	25-DEC	28-DEC
Sunday School Ages 3—5	Cassandra H	Cassandra H	Tara F	No Sunday School	Tara F
Sunday School Grades 1-3	Alie P	Alie P	Linda L	No Sunday School	Linda L
Sunday School Grades 4-8	Lucas D	Lucas D	Lucas D	No Sunday School	Lucas D
Nursery	Talia V Linda L	Paige K Judy F	Bernard K Carlyn B	Tonda G Denise T	Dana L Wayne D
Roamer	Rob K	Bill D	Wayne D	Fred K	Jim K
Greeter	Ed & Trish	Irene K Tina F	Matt & Tara	Shawn & Beth	Cyril & Alie
Coffee Set-up/ Clean-up	Fred & Valerie	John & Erica	Bernard & Karlene	Jim & Lucia	Bill & Olga
Scripture Readers	Ruth 2 Connor L	Ruth 3 Tonda G	Ruth 4 Rita H	Ruth 4:18- 22 Linda L	Luke 13:6-9 Valerie K
VIDEO	Colin	Kyle	Dan	Connor	Larissa
CAMERA	Weston	Connor	Kyle	Dan	Colin
SOUND	Jim / Eli	Edmund	Casey	Jim / Eli	Edmund

