

Wallaceburg Christian Reformed Church **PASTOR:** Tim Leferink www.wallaceburgcrc.com phone link: 519-627-2323

FEBRUARY 25, 2024

FEBRUARY 25, 2024 Second Sunday in Lent

10:00 am: Mr. Randy Van Stempvoort

Welcome and Announcements Gathering BY God's Grace *God Calls Us Into Worship: *Opening Prayer and Greeting *Praising Our God Songs: LUYH #772 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less LUYH #360 You Are My King (Amazing Love)

Growing IN God's Grace Confession and Assurance Song of Assurance: Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me God's Will for our Lives Prayer with the children (children ages 3- grade 2 leave for Sunday School)

Song of Preparation: **Open Our Eyes, Lord Scripture: Romans 12:1-21** Message: Living Sacrifices – Others First (*Children grades 3 – 6 leave for Sunday School*) *Song of Response: LUYH #309 The Servant Song Offering: Canadian Foodgrains Bank

Going WITH God's Grace Congregational Prayer *Blessing *Closing Song: LUYH #946 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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A warm and special welcome to **Randy Van Stempvoort** who is with us this morning to lead us in worship. Pastor Tim has a classical appointment at Living Hope this morning. A 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:

February 25: Casey DePooter March 10: Wayne Dykema

March 3: Dave Foster March 17: Jim Kraayenbrink

OFFERINGS:

February 25: World Renew—Canadian Foodgrains Bank Deacons: Fred Kraayenbrink and Ed Van Gelder March 3: WCS Tuition Assistance Deacons: Linda Watson and Olga DePooter March 10: Chatham Hope Haven Deacons: Nicolina Benn and Fred Kraayenbrink March 17: Chatham Hope Haven Deacons: Ed Van Gelder and Linda Watson

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING: Our offering today is for 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

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING: Next week, March 3, our offering will support the Wallaceburg Christian School. Wallaceburg Christian School has set up a tuition assistance **program** to financially assist those parents who believe it is best for their children to be taught in a Christ-based education system but have difficulty meeting the financial obligation to do so. All monies collected will go to this program specifically. Any enquiries about this program can be addressed by contacting: <u>admin@wallaceburgchristianschool.com</u> or by calling 519-627-6013

FAMILY CIRCLE: 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.

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

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MIT'S BIT'S: I'm preaching in Sarnia this Sunday. It is one of those duties that I must do as part of the CRC. Many people ask me if it's harder preaching for people I don't know versus people I do know. There are some differences, for sure. For instance, when I prepare a sermon for you all, I think about who will likely be in church that Sunday. When I practice, I picture people in their 'regular' seats and/or sections (or online!). I pray about if and how they might be affected by the message. I ask God to make the words clear and to help everyone coming understand what He has laid on my heart.

I don't have that with other congregations. I'm not in their daily lives. So the message needs to be more generic, I suppose. To speak in generalities might address larger issues but will not necessarily cut to the heart of a local problem, which doesn't really help the congregation too much. This is why having a pastor is essential for all congregations. It's in the relationship that the church can truly move forward. Pray for all our local churches who are without a pastor currently.

Ladies Bible Study: The Ladies Bible Study meets again this Monday, February 26 at 7 pm. We are continuing our study on the Gospel of John entitled Come and See. All are welcome!!

<u>VBS DECORATING NIGHT</u>: The decorating continues and help is needed. Come out **Tuesday, February 27 at 7 pm** for a fun night of helping get things ready for VBS. YOUNG, OLD, GUYS, GALS all are welcome!! There are lots of things to be done from painting, building, wrapping, crafting etc...

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE: Join us for the World Day of Prayer Service on March 1st at 2 Pm at Holy Family Church. All are welcome.

TODAY DEVOTIONALS: The March / April Today Devotionals are available on the table by the office. Please feel free to take copies.

<u>Calling All Young Adults!</u> Aylmer CRC is hosting a young adult event for those aged 18-30ish from 6:00pm through 8:00pm on Friday, March 1st. We'll have pizza, salad, and desserts, plus games and more. At the end of the evening we'll hear about an exciting opportunity to travel internationally with World Renew. To register contact Teresa at office@aylmercrc.org

RIGHT TO LIFE MOVIE NIGHT: Right to Life Kent is excited to be hosting the movie Roe Canada: The True North in a Post-Roe World on Thursday, February 29 at 7 pm at St Paul's Congregational Church, 450 Park Ave West, Chatham. This is a FREE event. Goodwill donation of diapers size 3, 4 or 5 and/or baby food will be gladly accepted for Refuge Pregnancy Centre.

NOMINATIONS: The Procedure for Election of Office Bearers By Lot process is beginning. Council is asking the congregation for nominations of office bearers for 2 Elders and 2 Deacons. Retiring Elders are Casey DePooter and Wayne Dykema. Retiring Deacons are Ed Van Gelder and Linda Watson. Please prayerfully consider who you feel are gifted for these tasks. Consider encouraging those who you nominate and share with them the gifts you see in them to fulfill these tasks. Please submit your signed nominations to any member of council or place it in the council mail slot. For your convenience, a table is provided at the end of the bulletin that you may use to submit your nominations before the next council meeting. The date of the next council meeting is Wednesday, March 13, 2024. Please have all nominations to council before the 13th. Thank-You so much. Please note: nominations are not limited to the 4 spots on the form in the bulletin.



VBS: Join us for Operation Artic VBS! With Operation Arctic kids warm up to the Word as they explore the coolest Book on the planet and discover how we can know for sure that the Bible is God's written word to us! Date: March 11 - 15th

Time: 9:00 am to noon Ages: JK – grade 8

Want to Help? We're looking for Adult Volunteers to help out during the week. (Adults must have current police check) Highschool student help needed too! Earn community hours! Please talk to Karen ASAP.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Cornel West said, "Justice is what love looks like in public." How might you share the love of Jesus by practicing justice in public this week in your workplace, your neighborhood, or your city? Learn more at crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject

Registration Open ~ Register today at wallaceburgcrc.com

Please join World Renew for Canadian Foodgrains Bank Sunday - Conflict and changing climate are driving forces behind world hunger. But for a mother watching her child struggle with malnutrition and the pains of hunger, why is not as important as how she will feed her child. You can share Christ's hope with that mother. Today is Canadian Foodgrains Bank Sunday and your offering will help support World Renew's food security programs focused on addressing the emergency food needs of vulnerable families and providing communities with the training they need to sustainably overcome hunger. Your gifts will be matched up to 4X by Canadian Foodgrains Bank. To donate, call 1-888-WRLD-RNW or go online to: worldrenew.ca/food **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

DATE	25-FEB	3 – MAR	10 - MAR	17 - MAR
Sunday School Ages 3—Grade 2	Linda Lubbers	Karen Leferink	Karen Leferink	Karen Leferink
Sunday School Grades 3—6	Lucas D	Lucas DePooter	Lucas DePooter	Lucas DePooter
Nursery	Alie Peters Judy Foster	Edmund Lam Trish Van Gelder	Carolyn Bulsink Dave Foster	Scott Lubbers Shirley DePooter
Roamer	Bill DePooter	Wayne Dykema	Jim Kraayenbrink	Fred Kraayenbrink
Greeters	Irene K Tina Feddes	Bryan & Linda	Rob K	Glen Lubbers & Family
Coffee Set-up/ Clean-up	Al & Judy	Lucas & Nicole	Matt & Tara	Gary & Shirley
Scripture Readers	Randy Van Stempvoort	John 19:23-27 Jillian Lubbers	Matt 27:45-46 Cori Dykhouse	John 19:28-30 Henry Griffioen
VIDEO	Connor	Colin	Kyle	Dan
CAMERA	Russell	Connor	Colin	Kyle
SOUND	Jim	Ed	Casey	Edmund

	NAME OF CONFESSING MEMBER	FOR ELDER	FOR DEACON		
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