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JANUARY 14, 2024

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10:00 am: Mr. Barry Wright

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering BY God's Grace
*God Calls Us Into Worship: Psalm 16: 5-11

*Opening Prayer and Greeting *Praising Our God:

LUYH #551 vs.1,2,3,6 "All Creatures of Our God and King" LUYH #518 "Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah"

Growing IN God's Grace Confession and Assurance Song of Assurance: LUYH #695 "And Can It Be" God's Will for our Lives

Preparation for Lord's Supper:

Leader:

Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, the Holy Supper that we are about to celebrate is a feast of remembrance, of communion, and of hope.

We come in remembrance that our Lord Jesus Christ was sent of the Father into the world to assume our flesh and blood and to fulfill for us all obedience to the divine law, even to the bitter and shameful death of the cross.

By his death, resurrection, and ascension he established a new and eternal covenant of grace and reconciliation, that we might be accepted of God and never be forsaken by him.

We come to have communion with this same Christ, who has promised to be with us always, even to the end of the world.

In the breaking of the bread he makes himself known to us as the true heavenly bread that strengthens us unto life eternal.

In the cup of blessing he comes to us as the vine, in whom we must abide if we are to bear fruit.

We come in hope, believing that this bread and this cup are a pledge and foretaste of the feast of love of which we shall partake when his kingdom has fully come, when with unveiled face we shall behold him, made like unto him in his glory.

Since by his death, resurrection, and ascension, Christ has obtained for us the life-giving Spirit, who unites us all in one body, so are we to prepare to receive this supper in true love, mindful of the communion of saints. Amen.

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

Song of Preparation: LUYH #537 "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Scripture: John 2: 1-11 Message: "Do Whatever He Tells You" (Children grades 3 – 6 leave for Sunday School) *Song of Response: His Mercy Is More *Profession of Faith: Lord's Day 1, Q and A, 1

Offering: ReFrame Ministries

Going WITH God's Grace

Congregational Prayer

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*Closing Song: **Goodness of God**

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A warm and special welcome to **Mr. Barry Wright** who is with us today to lead us in worship. Pastor Tim is off today. A warm 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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OFFICIATING ELDER:

January 14: Wayne Vandendool January 28: Dave Foster January 21: Casey DePooter February 4: Wayne Dykema

OFFERINGS:

January 14: ReFrame Ministries

Deacons: Olga DePooter and Nicolina Benn

January 21: Refuge Chatham Kent (Right to Life)

Deacons: Fred Kraayenbrink and Ed Van Gelder

January 28: Calvinist Cadet Corps

Deacons: Linda Watson and Olga DePooter

February 4: Mission Montreal

Deacons: Nicolina Benn and Fred Kraayenbrink

<u>THIS WEEK'S OFFERING:</u> Today, our offering supports "ReFrame Ministries" (formerly known as The Back to God Hour). ReFrame Ministries exists to tell God's Story using today's media. Part of our mission is to share the gospel, disciple believers, and strengthen the church at home and abroad through many different languages and resources.

A resource you may be very familiar with locally is the "TODAY" devotional. Copies are available at the resource table in the narthex.

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Check out their website: https://reframeministries.org/

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING: Next week, January 21, 2024, our offering

supports "Refuge" in Chatham-Kent. (formerly Right to Life). Refuge offers FREE comprehensive pregnancy & postpartum support to women and families; help struggling families with maternity and baby supplies and offer labour support to women who have little to no support. They help those experiencing an unexpected pregnancy and need support to navigate

Their contact information can be found on their website: https://www.refugechatham.ca/

Open Doors \$20.00 Therefore Go Ministries \$383.30 Budget \$3050.00

BRIDGE APP TOTALS for December 2023:

Salvation Army = \$20.00 Budget = \$8,903.00

UCB Canada Radio = \$70.00 Rock Missions - James Street Drop In Centre = \$120.00

Seafarers Montreal = \$85.00 NeighbourLink = \$50.00

WCS Tuition Assistance = \$260.00

Totals = \$9,508.00

MIT'S BITS: I was amazed at the response from you all regarding the Sunday Matters devotional that was handed out last week. All of the copies on the table were snatched up and several more are now on order!

This tells me that we are a congregation who is thirsty to know more about the Lord. We want to center our lives around Him and come to an understanding of His awesomeness more. We like the idea of taking time to breathe and to settle before

coming into worship, even if our lives are super busy. We want to see Jesus lifted high (to quote a favorite song!), and to make ourselves about Him.

For those of us who received the book, I encourage you to dig in. Stick to the Sunday morning devotions as much as you can. Karen and I will do the same! Together we'll see how God forms and changes us for His glory!

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.

BIBLE STUDY: The Bible Study on the book of Ecclesiastes continues this Tuesday, January 16th at 7 pm.

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

Nolan Kraayenbrink ~ January 14 Brian Kraayenbrink ~ January 16 Rick Ripley ~ January 16 Tara Feddes ~ January 16 Samantha Babcock ~ January 16 Ken Roche ~ January 18 Jillian Lubbers ~ January 20

Council News from January 10, 2024

- 1. The next Classis Ontario Southwest Meeting is coming up on Saturday, February 3 at 9 am at the Dresden CRC. Our delegates are: Pastor Tim, Wayne Vandendool as Elder, and Ed Van Gelder as Deacon. Alternate is Casey DePooter.
- The 2024 Proposed Budget is being finalized and will be presented to Council at the February Council Meeting after all the financial statements for 2023 are received. The tentative date for our Annual Congregational Meeting is Tuesday, March 19th at 7:30 pm.
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- The Property Committee is looking into quotes to have the 4 blue spruce trees at the front o the church removed. This is being looked into as the trees are becoming too tall and damaging the roof, soffit and fascia.
- Council appointed Casey DePooter and Wayne Vandendool to audit the Deacons books.
 Council received a letter from the Municipality of Chatham Kent informing us that all
- industrial, commercial, and institutional properties will not be provided with municipal recycling collection at the curb starting January 1, 2024 as per the Province of Ontario's new Blue Box Regulation.
- 6. The next Council Meeting is Wednesday, February 14, 2024.

Week of Prayer: This year, the Week of Prayer will be hosted by Our Father's Voice ministry, 222 LaFontaine St, Wallaceburg. Service times are from Monday, January 22 to Friday, January 26, from 12:10-12:30 p.m. Let's join together as a community to pray!

SAFE CHURCH: Last week our revised Safe Church Policy was emailed to everyone. There are several updates and additions. Please take some time to read it. The policy must be read by all volunteers involved in our church ministries. If you would like a paper copy printed, please let Lucia know. It is also available on the Bridge App.

This Sunday, January 14 after church, there will be tables set up in the gym for everyone who volunteers in the Nursery, Sunday School, GEMS, Cadets, Friendship, Young Peoples and VBS Ministries and all Roamers, to complete and sign the new Volunteer Profiles. These forms are required annually as indicated in our Safe Church policy to ensure our church is a safe place and for compliance with our insurance policy. We will also have forms available for those needing to renew their Police Checks. Please take the time to complete these required forms. Thank-You so much.

DRIVE FOR WALLACEBURG DROP IN CENTRE: The Deacons have planned an item drive for the Wallaceburg Drop in Centre formerly known as James Street (now located in the building beside No Frills). The drive will be held for 2 Sundays; January the 21st and 28th - boxes will be available to drop your items in. After visiting the centre, a list was compiled of most needed items. Clothing items can be new or used items in good condition. Below is a list of items needed. Please note that they are **extremely grateful** for all donations received, so thank you so much for considering helping out the needs in our community!

Hygiene Products

*disposable razor

*travel Kleenex

*bandaid

*feminine hygiene products

*travel size hand sanitizer

*travel size shampoo

*travel size conditioner

*travel size body wash

*travel size body lotion

*a-tips

Food Products

*individual snack items such as granola bars or items that can be repackaged for single serving. Examples of items we purchase regularly are chips, cookies, goldfish. We purchase in regular size and repackage for individual serving.

Clothing items

*Winter boots *Winter coats

*Winter Hats

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Thrive Faith Formation Tip - N.T. Wright wrote, "Reading and studying Scripture [is] central to how we grow in the love of God." This coming week, start each day by reading 1 Corinthians 13 and praying that God's love will flow through you to others. Learn more at crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject

WINTER CONVERSATION SERIES: Is there a charity close to your heart that you would love to see thrive for years to come? Christian Stewardship Services is hosting open Q&A sessions every other week this winter to answer all of your questions on charitable giving and estate planning, Explore the topics and register here!

Each session will have a 10 minute introduction, and then an interactive Q&A. The first three topics are: adding a Charity Child, estate documents, and donating life insurance. For more information, contact: info@csservices.ca.

ReFrame Ministries Provides Devotions, Podcasts, and Blogs - Start a new Biblical habit with resources from ReFrame Ministries. DEVOTIONS including the Today devotional offer short daily meditations and scripture. Kids Corner includes devotions, especially for children and guardians. PODCASTS help you dig into scripture with Groundwork, explore pop culture and Christianity with Think Christian, or energize your church communications with Church Juice. BLOGS offering spiritual advice for parenting, dating, and more are available in new posts from Family Fire. Learn more about the spiritual habit of praying with ReFrame's prayer ministry.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

DATE	14—JAN	21– JAN	28 - JAN	4-FEB
Sunday School Ages 3—5	Dick & Carolyn	Shirley DePooter	Shirley DePooter	Linda Lubbers
Sunday School Grades 3—6	Lucas D	Lucas DePooter	Lucas DePooter	Lucas DePooter
Nursery	Bertha K Erica Lubbers	Lucia K Ashley H	Celia Baisden Karen Leferink	Mikki Meyer Makenna Lubbers
Roamer	Bill DePooter	Wayne D	Jim K	Fred K
Greeters	Bernard & Karlene	Dick & Carolyn	John & Erica	Bill & Olga
Coffee Set-up/ Clean-up	John & Erica	Jim & Lucia	Bernard & Karlene	Bill & Olga
Scripture Readers	Barry Wright	Ezekiel 38-39 Linda Lubbers	Ephesians 3:16- 19 CADET	ТВА
VIDEO	Connor	Colin	Celia	Kyle
CAMERA	Dan	Connor	Russell	Colin
SOUND	Jeff	Jim K	Ed	Casey

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