

God is faithful,  
who has called you into  
fellowship with his Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 Corinthians 1:9

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**NOVEMBER 23, 2025**

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**10:00 am: Pastor Tim Leferink**

**Welcome and Announcements**

Opening Song of Praise LUYH# 604 **To God Be the Glory**

**Gathering BY God's Grace**

\*God Calls Us Into Worship

\*Opening Prayer and Greeting

\*Song of Praise: **Wonderful Merciful Saviour**

**Grace through the Lord's Supper**

Lord's Supper Litany

Song: LUYH# 693 **Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)**

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

Song of Preparation: LUYH# 358 **Give Thanks**

**Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:4-9**

**Sermon: "Our Faithful God"**

\*Song of Response: LUYH# 775 **Across the Lands**

Offering: Voice of the Martyrs

**Going WITH God's Grace**

Congregational Prayer

\*Blessing

\*Closing Song: LUYH# 947 **We Receive Your Blessing**

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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:**

November 23: Glen Lubbers

December 7: Jim Kraayenbrink

November 30: Gary DePooter

December 14: Wayne Vandendool

**OFFERINGS:**

November 23: Voice of the Martyr  
Deacons: Fred Kraayenbrink and Wilf Allaer  
November 30: WCS Tuition Assistance  
Deacons: Kaley Bergsma and Jeff DePooter  
December 7: Salvation Army ~ Noisy Collection  
Deacons: Judy Vandendool and Fred Kraayenbrink  
December 14: Indwell Sarnia  
Deacons: Wilf Allaer and Kaley Bergsma

**THIS WEEK’S OFFERING:** This week, November 23rd the offering will be in support of “**The Voice of the Martyrs**” which continues the legacy of Pastor Wurmbrand, (*author of "Tortured for Christ"*) in raising a voice for persecuted Christians around the world. It is sometimes hard for Christians in Canada to understand that persecuted Christians do not want us to send all of our funds directly overseas! They urge us to publicize their plight, to tell their stories, to urge governments to intervene on their behalf and to share their prayer requests with Christians in Canada. One of our core values as a mission is to serve the persecuted Church according to its wishes and needs, and not according to our own predetermined strategies. Just as Pastor Wurmbrand left Romania at the command of underground Church leaders to be their voice, we are fulfilling the command of today’s persecuted Church as we share their stories in our monthly newsletter, in books, on the Internet and through television and radio. Join us in raising awareness of the persecuted Church today! For more information, visit their website at: <https://www.vomcanada.com/aboutvomc.htm>


**NEXT WEEK’S OFFERING:** Next week, November 30th the offering will support our local Christian School. The monies collected will fund the school’s Tuition Assistance program, which is a fund to help those struggling with meeting the annual tuition. Your support is appreciated.

**PICKLE BALL:** WCRC Pickle Ball continues this Wednesday, November 26 at 7 pm. We have extra paddles if you want to come out and try it. Adults only.

**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

**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*

Lisa DePooter ~ November 24  
Will Johnston ~ November 26  
Ann Vandendool ~ November 26  
Adam DePooter ~ November 27  
Eden DePooter ~ November 29



Family

**FAMILY CIRCLE:**  
Congratulations to **Spencer and Makenzy Lachance** with the birth of their beautiful baby girl **Makenna Joan Marie Lachance**. Congratulations also to the proud grandparents **Jeff and Denise Tessier**. We give thanks and praise to God for the beautiful and precious gift 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.



**MIT’S BIT’S:** This week, I’m reminded of the John Denver song “Some Days Are Diamonds.” The chorus goes something like this:  
*Some days are diamonds, some days are stones  
Sometimes the hard times won’t leave me alone  
Sometimes a cold wind blows a chill in my bones  
Some days are diamonds, some days are stones*

You see I woke up on Tuesday with the chills and a fever. This meant cancelling everything I had planned for that day, including the Community Meal and The Truth Project. While it did get better into Wednesday, I wasn’t totally out of the woods yet. So another day where I had to say no to meeting with people. Those days are stones. Maybe it’s not as bad as John Denver had in mind when he wrote this song, but still... It’s a good thing that God has blessed us with many more ‘diamond’ days than ‘stone’ days! He does that for all of us, because His blessings outweigh the negativity in our lives, if we only allow Him to move into our hearts. Keep looking for God’s blessings, and for those ‘diamond’ days.



**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.

**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.

**COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CAROL SING:** We are pleased to invite you to an evening filled with cheer and harmonious melodies as we ‘Worship the King’ at our **Community Christmas Carol Sing!** Join us **Wednesday, December 16 at 7 pm** at Our Lady Help of Christians Church. The Ministerial’s church choirs (all the various churches in town and surrounding area) will be gracing us with their angelic voices, spreading joy and the spirit of the season to all. Whether you’re a choir member, a music lover, or someone who simply loves praising God, we welcome you to sing along and celebrate with us. Let’s come together to fill the church with the joy of the coming of Christ!

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip - International Caregivers Day** - Caregivers know what it’s like to live out Philippians 2:3–4: “In humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.” How can you support the caregivers in your church or community? Could you offer a break to someone caring for an aging family member or a family member with a disability? If you are a caregiver, think of one tangible way to ask for help this week from someone who can support you. Brought to you by Thrive: [crcna.org/Thrive](http://crcna.org/Thrive)

**Wisdom in the Age of AI** - Mark your calendars for the "Wisdom in the Age of AI" conference to be hosted at Calvin University from October 8-10, 2026. The conference will include as keynotes Paolo Benanti (Artificial Intelligence (AI) advisor at the Vatican), Rosalind Picard (MIT Media Lab), and author and speaker Andy Crouch (Praxis), and six tracks exploring the role of AI in education, church, business, healthcare, the arts, and STEM. Learn more: [calvin.edu/faith-and-technology/faith-and-ai-conference](http://calvin.edu/faith-and-technology/faith-and-ai-conference)



**Kids Corner Devotions: Advent: The Season of Waiting** - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Advent: The Season of Waiting” at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Advent starts next week—it’s the four weeks before Christmas, a time to get our hearts ready for Jesus. We remember that He was born for us and that one day He will come again, so we can trust God while we wait. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like the KC video series, “Kids in Action”, telling stories of kids who serve God right now!

**Groundwork: Blessed are...the Merciful, the Pure in Heart, the Peacemakers, and those Who are Persecuted** - Discover what Jesus taught us about the heart and mind of an ideal disciple. Study Matthew 5:7-12 with Groundwork as we examine the remaining beatitudes of Jesus as recorded in Matthew, and explore mercy, purity of heart, peacemaking, and the surprising blessing hidden behind persecution. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

DATE	23– NOV	30– NOV	7– DEC	14-DEC
Sunday School Ages 3—5	Carolyn B	Cassandra H	Cassandra H	Cassandra H
Sunday School Grades 1-3	Dick B	Alie P	Alie P	Alie P
Sunday School Grades 4-8	Lucas D	Lucas D	Lucas D	Lucas D
Nursery	Valerie K Erica L	Jamie L Karlene K	Talia V Linda L	Paige K Judy F
Roamer	Jim K	Matt F	Rob K	Bill D
Greeter	John & Erica	Bill & Olga	Ed & Trish	Irene K Tina F
Coffee Set-up/ Clean-up	Jeff & Lisa	Wayne & Joyce	Fred & Valerie	John & Erica
Scripture Readers	1 Cor 1:4-9 Henry G	Ruth 1 Joyce D	Ruth 2 Connor L	Ruth 3 Tonda G
VIDEO	Lauren	Larissa	Colin	Connor
CAMERA	Ashton	Colin	Weston	Kyle
SOUND	Edmund	Casey	Jim / Eli	Edmund

