



Wallaceburg Christian Reformed Church

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10:00 am: Pastor Tim Leferink

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering BY God's Grace

*God Calls Us Into Worship:

Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

We desire to live in God's house
and to seek God in his holy temple.

**We have come with shouts of joy,
to sing and to make music to the Lord.**

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

**Teach us your ways and make straight our paths
in this hour of worship and always.**

—based on Psalm 27; John 4:23

*Opening Prayer and Greeting

*Praising Our God

Songs: LUYH #526 **Come, Now Is the Time to Worship**

LUYH #492 **Come, Thou Almighty King**

Growing IN God's Grace

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Song: LUYH #699 **Like a River Glorious**

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 Reading: Matthew 7:12-29

Sermon: "Sermon on the Mount – Hearts that Honor God"

(children grades 3–8 leave for Sunday School)

*Song of Response: LUYH #329 **Lead Me, Guide Me**

*Profession of Faith: **Preparatory Litany**

Offering: CK Women's Shelter

Going WITH God's Grace

Congregational Prayer

*Blessing

*Closing Song: LUYH #698 **Your Grace Is Enough**



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:

November 26: Casey DePooter December 3: Dave Foster
December 10: Wayne Dykema December 17: Jim Kraayenbrink

OFFERINGS:

November 26: CK Women's Shelter
Deacons: Fred Kraayenbrink and Ed Van Gelder
December 3: Salvation Army with noisy collection
Deacons: Linda Watson and Olga DePooter
December 10: UCB Canada
Deacons: Nicolina Benn and Fred Kraayenbrink
December 17: Seafarers
Deacons: Ed Van Gelder and Linda Watson

THIS WEEKS OFFERING: This morning, our offering to be collected will be in support of the "Chatham-Kent Womens' Centre" on Sandy Street in Chatham. They are a resource to women with any question, any time of the day or night. They provide Emergency Shelter and 24-hour crisis/help lines to women and children in crisis. Programs and all services provided can be found on their website: www.ckwc.ca
If you know of a woman who is being abused or you think she is being abused, call for information that will help you and her. 24-hour crisis hotline: 519-354-6360 or 1-800-265-0598

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING: Next week, our offering will be for the "Salvation Army" – "Christ centred – 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.
You are asked to bring any non-perishable food items to church. 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.

RECEIPTS:

Budget Nov 12 & 19 \$4030.00
ReFrame Ministries \$641.65
FoodGrains Bank \$100.00
Foodgrains Bank (Gaza) \$2831.00

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: All Committees and Ministries are asked to make their requests known to the Finance Committee for the 2024 Budget by Sunday, December 3rd. The Finance Committee members are: Gary DePooter, Olga DePooter, Rob Kraayenbrink, and Denise Tessier.



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

Will Johnston ~ November 26
Ann Vandendool ~ November 26
Adam DePooter ~ November 27
Eden DePooter ~ November 29
Olivia Babcock ~ November 30



Mit's Bits: At the Pastors' Conference, a bunch of us pastors and spouses took stock of their lives and ministry. Karen and I joined in the conversation where we looked at our overall physical, mental, and spiritual health. The theme of the conference was "Strengthened for the Call." It was a recognition and response to the increasing conflict that occurs between churches and their pastors. Throughout the past number of years, many pastors have either quit or retired early because of the overwhelming stress that has been placed on them by churches and by the culture. Burn-out was, and still is a regular story among pastors. Thankfully the denomination recognizes this, and encourages pastors and their families to seek ways to remain strong in the call where God has placed them. This means setting up a life where regular rest and reinvigoration is engrained. Thank you all for the opportunity to go to this conference. It was a gift to Karen and I; a gift that I'm sure will bring blessing to all of us, as we walk together in the Lord!



ANGEL TREE: Once again, our Church will be taking part in the Angel Tree Program. Cards containing the names of children whose parent will be in prison this Christmas will be placed on a tree in the hallway outside the sanctuary. The parent has requested that their child receive a Christmas gift from them. The card will contain information about the child as well as gift suggestions. You can take that card, sign your name on the list beside the tree, purchase a gift with a value of up to \$35, wrap the gift and return it to the Church by Sunday, December 17. Thank you for continuing to show God's love to these innocent victims of crime.

BIBLE STUDY: The Bible Study on the book of Ecclesiastes meets again this **Tuesday, November 28th** at 7 pm. All are welcome to join!!

LADIES BIBLE STUDY: The Ladies Bible Study on Colossians continues this week on Monday, November 27 at 7 pm. All ladies are welcome to join!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Jubilee Chorus presents: "**Christmas Joy! A Festival of Lessons and Carols**". This free concert will take place at Grace Christian Reformed Church (255 Tweedsmuir Ave W) on Saturday, December 2 at 7 PM. A freewill offering will be received with the proceeds going to support *Refuge Pregnancy Support Services*. Bring your friends and enjoy, and on select pieces, sing along!

The Magic of Christmas: You are invited to the Magic of Christmas presented by the Wallaceburg Concert Band on Saturday December 2nd at 7 pm at the WDSS Webber Auditorium. Admission is free. Freewill donations accepted.

A Service of Lessons & Carols: You are invited to St James Anglican Church (719 James Street, Wallaceburg) to celebrate a Service of Lessons & Carols on Saturday, December 9th at 7 pm. A freewill offering will be taken up. All proceeds raised will be donated to Active Christian with a Mission in support of the Cazale Medical Rescue Clinic in Haiti. For more information, see poster on bulletin board.

Wallaceburg Brass Quintet: The Wallaceburg Brass Quintet & Friends presents 'An Afternoon of Merry Music Making'. Join us on Saturday, December 9 at 2 PM at First Baptist Church in Wallaceburg. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: You are invited to Pat Lee & Friends Christmas Concert on Sunday, November 26th at 7 pm at Trinity United Church in Wallaceburg and on December 3 at 2 pm at the Port Lambton United Church.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Our God is a generous God. Read Psalm 36:5-9, and spend some time thinking about the abundant gifts God has lavished on us in creation and in other ways. Make a list of everything you can think of that testifies to God's generosity. If there are kids in your home, invite them to draw pictures of those things. Hang your list where you can see it often! Learn more at crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject

"Advent in the Neighborhood" Free Webinar - How do you share the hope and peace of the gospel with your neighbors this season? Many of your neighbors might not know what Advent is, but most of them likely get into the festive spirit of Christmas. Advent is a wonderful opportunity to share the love of Christ, but how? Join us Monday, December 4 from 7-8:30 pm EST for a free webinar. Learn more and register at: www.resonateglobalmission.org/adventwebinar

Explore the Intersection of Faith and Art in Italy! - Join the Institute for Christian Studies for ART in Orvieto, an advanced summer studies program in art, religion, and theology located in Orvieto, Italy, a magnificent hill town 90 minutes north of Rome. The program offers an ecumenical exploration of Christian understandings of the arts through a three-week residency designed for practicing artists, art teachers, graduate students in relevant fields, and other adult learners. The first eight applicants are eligible for a \$500 early bird scholarship, and additional financial aid is available for teachers, graduate students, and working artists. Want to learn more? Visit icscanada.edu/art-in-orvieto, or join us for an online Info Session on November 30 at 6:30pm. Email recruitment-coordinator@icscanada.edu to RSVP.

It's Giving Tuesday! - This coming Tuesday, November 28, is now known at #GivingTuesday - a day to give just a little bit back to make our world a better place! The NewGround program (formerly called Operation Manna) of Diaconal Ministries Canada equips and supports churches who want to make a difference in their local communities. This year we saw a sharp increase in grant requests: from \$35,000 last year to \$90,000 this year! Diaconal Ministries would love to help these churches be on mission in their own backyards: will you help us help them? Donate today - every single dollar will make a difference to a community in Canada that needs to see and experience the love of Jesus! Visit <https://diaconalministries.com/donate-now> today.

SOCO Beach Project Update: If you are a young adult (18 - 29), be part of SOCO summer 2024 ~ living in an intentional Christian community while having a summer job, learning how God's story shapes your story to impact the world's story. For more information: www.southcoastbeachproject.org. Check out the SOCO newsletter including an invitation for the Executive Director about opportunities to partner with SOCO. Also, looking for a new - gently used snowblower. Newsletter link: <https://mailchi.mp/southcoastbeachproject/soco-update-nov-23-6210225>

Groundwork: Love God By Loving One Another - Differences and disagreements are inevitable, even among Christians, because the gospel calls people of many ages, backgrounds, and experiences. Join Groundwork as we study Paul's instructions for Christian living in Romans 14-16 to discover what it looks like to live in a community and to hear the heart of Paul's message—love for God and love for each other. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Kids Corner: When We All Work Together - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Did you know that Nehemiah convinced everyone to help build a wall around Jerusalem? Together they finished the work in 52 days! This week's devotion is all about how when we trust God and work together, he can accomplish some pretty amazing things through us. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Bible story podcast "The Story of Nehemiah."

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Cadets 7-9 pm	Ecclesiastes Study 7 pm	Friendship 7 PM	GEMS 7 –9 pm	
Colossians Study 7 pm				

SUNDAY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

DATE	26– NOV	3– DEC	10 - DEC	17 - DEC
Sunday School Ages 3—5	Beth K / Karen Leferink	Tara Feddes	Tara Feddes	Tara Feddes
Sunday School Grades 3—6	Lucas DePooter	Lucas DePooter	Lucas DePooter	Lucas DePooter
Nursery	Nicole DePooter Kaley DePooter	Sarah Griffioen Jim K	Nicolina Benn Jordan Lubbers	Jillian Lubbers Tori DePooter
Mother of the Month	Makenna Lubbers	Beth Lubbers	Beth Lubbers	Beth Lubbers
Roamer	Bryan W	Matt Feddes	Rob K	Bill DePooter
Greeters	Bernard & Karlene	Dick & Carolyn	John & Erica	Bill & Olga DePooter
Coffee Set- up/Clean-up	Lucas & Nicole	Matt & Tara	Soup & Bun Sunday	Gary & Shirley
Scripture Readers	Linda Lubbers Matt 7:12-29	Valerie Matt 26:1-30	Beth / Emma Luke 1:39-45	Mikki Luke 2:1-7
VIDEO	Dan K	Russell	Connor	Colin
CAMERA	Connor L	Kyle K	Russell	Emma
SOUND	Jeff Tessier	Casey D	Jim K	Edmund

