

**Wallaceburg Christian Reformed Church**  
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**SEPTEMBER 14, 2025**

**September 14, 2025**

**10:00 am: Pastor Charles Wilson**

**Welcome and Announcements**  
**Gathering BY God's Grace**

- \*God Calls Us Into Worship
- \*Opening Prayer and Greeting
- \*Praising Our God
- Songs: LUYH #513 **It Is Good to Sing Your Praises**  
**Goodness of God**

**Growing IN God's Grace**

- Confession and Assurance
- Song of Assurance: LUYH #699 **Like a River Glorious**
- God's Will for our Lives
- 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: Matthew 13:44-46**

**Message: So What Do You Value?**

- \*Song of Response: LUYH #693 **Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)**
- Offering: WCS Tuition Assistance

**Going WITH God's Grace**

- Congregational Prayer
- \*Blessing
- \*Closing Song: LUYH #553 **How Great Thou Art**

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A warm and special welcome to **Pastor Charles Wilson** who is with us  
this morning to lead us in worship.  
Pastor Tim has a classical appointment at Chatham Grace today.  
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:**

September 14: Nick Dykema                      September 21: Glen Lubbers  
September 28: Gary DePooter                  October 5: Jim Kraayenbrink


**REFLECTIONS:** Reflections begins again this Sunday, September 14th at 6:30 pm. We will be continuing in the God Wins Series.


**OFFERINGS:**

September 14: WCS Tuition Assistance  
Deacons: Jeff DePooter and Judy Vandendool  
September 21: Resonate Global Missions  
Deacons: Fred Kraayenbrink and Wilf Allaer  
September 28: Canadian Foodgrains Bank  
Deacons: Kaley Bergsma and Jeff DePooter  
October 5: Mission Montreal  
Deacons: Judy Vandendool and Fred Kraayenbrink

**THIS WEEK’S OFFERING:** **Today’s** 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.

**NEXT WEEK’S OFFERING:** Next week, **September 21, 2025**, the offering is for **Resonate Global Mission** ~~ *Together we help build God’s church.* ~~ We do this by planting churches and supporting ministry in North America as well as sending missionaries around the globe to share the good news. But sending people is only part of God’s plan for your congregation. **Your church partners with Resonate** as you join God’s mission in your own neighborhood and around the world. Resonate is here to walk alongside you in preparing missionaries and volunteers, calling and supporting church planters and campus ministers, connecting with ministries overseas, engaging church members and younger generations in mission work, and following the Spirit by discerning new ways to demonstrate and proclaim the gospel.

 **FAMILY CIRCLE:** Mike and Diane and family are thankful for your prayers and God's blessing of improved comfort for Mike over the past several days. Mike remains in the ICU in Chatham but will be transferred to the Wallaceburg hospital when a bed becomes available. Please continue to pray Mike's oxygen levels improve and for strength and healing. 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.

 **Can You Help?** Some of you may know that Jeff Tessier is in need of a kidney transplant. Currently his kidneys are operating at 13% and have been on a steady decline. If he doesn't receive a transplant soon, he may have to go on dialysis which would restrict his movements even further, and would be much harder for him to receive a transplant. Jeff is open to answering any questions that you might have about the transplant process. Please keep him in prayer and speak with him. Who knows? You may be the answer to his prayers.

**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*

Alie Peters ~ September 15	Ezra Peters ~ September 18
Daniel Dykema ~ September 18	Megan DePooter ~ September 19
Eli Feddes ~ September 20	Connor Kraayenbrink ~ September 20
Wilma Korvemaker ~ September 20	



**MIT’S BIT’S:** Last week, I met up with a colleague of mine. He was in a neighbouring town, pastoring a CRC. We met often for breakfast, talking about everything from church, to family, to politics, to hobbies, etc. When I moved here, we met less often, of course, but still managed to keep in touch. Today he is a pastor of a church in Alberta. We still talk often on the phone, which is good, but it’s just not the same. So, last week, we met up again. He came a long way to have breakfast with me, some might say! He had some other family events to attend to, and he took the time so that we could have a talk over breakfast. What a blessing to have a friendship like that! God puts people in our lives so that we don’t have to walk this journey alone. Yes, we may have family members that are in our daily lives. But there’s something different about having a good friend to walk life with. Proverbs 27:9 says “*Oil and perfume make the heart glad, and the sweetness of a friend comes from his earnest counsel.*” A good friend (and the wisdom he/she provides) makes life sweeter. In our world today, so many people have a ‘go it alone’ attitude. The truth is that God made us to be in community with others. We are social beings. Doing life on our own isn’t forbidden; it’s just not better.

**COMMUNITY BBQ:** Save the date! Our **Ministry Kick-off Community BBQ** is coming up this **Saturday, September 20 at 11:30 am**. We are looking for volunteers to help make salads on the Friday and people to help set up and serve on Saturday. If you are able to help, please speak to any member of the Hospitality Committee. It will be a great opportunity to connect and share God’s love to those in our community.

**SAFE CHURCH:** The **SAFE CHURCH EDUCATION** night has been changed to **September 30th**. On **Tuesday, September 30 at 6pm** our **Annual Safe Church education** is planned for ALL ministry leaders, volunteers, and Council members. This year our education will focus on recognizing signs of abuse, scenarios with discussion for appropriate response to abuse allegations and a short quiz. Pizza and refreshments will be offered during the education session. Volunteer profiles and assistance to apply for Police checks will also be available to complete.

**The Truth Project:** Join us this fall for The Truth Project. ***Be Transformed By The Renewing of Your Mind*** The Truth Project is a ground-breaking small group curriculum on the Biblical worldview. This video-based home Bible study is the starting point for looking at life from a biblical perspective. Join Dr. Del Tackett, as he takes you through 13 engaging video lessons on the relevance and importance of living the Biblical worldview in daily life, featuring insights from biblical experts like R.C. Sproul, Os Guinness and Gordon Pennington. Starting early October on Tuesday nights.

**SOUP & BUN SUNDAY:** Join us **next Sunday, September 21st after the service** for a soup and bun potluck. Each family is asked to bring a pot of soup to share if able. Buns, dessert, and refreshments will be provided.

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip** - This week is Mission Emphasis Week in the Christian Reformed Church, a time to think about God’s mission to restore and renew his broken creation through Jesus Christ (see Rev. 21:1–4). It is also a time to renew our participation in that mission by supporting missionaries nearby and far away and by creating our own descriptions of God’s mission—a few sentences that describe what God is doing and why we are glad he’s doing it. Practice sharing your sentences with one another, and then look for opportunities to share them with others! Brought to you by Thrive: [crcna.org/Thrive](http://crcna.org/Thrive)

Council News from September 10, 2025

- 1. Council welcomed Larissa Heesakkers and Paige Kraayenbrink to their meeting. They had the privilege to listen to their faith stories and hear how God is working in their lives. Council welcomes them both to full membership in the church. The Profession of Faith Service will be in the next few weeks.
- 2. The Pastor Evaluation process has begun. Council will be completing and reviewing an evaluation form at their next meeting and then going over the results with Pastor Tim.
- 3. The next Classis Ontario Southwest Meeting is coming up on Tuesday, September 23th at Grace CRC in Chatham. Our delegates are Pastor Tim, Gary DePooter as Elder. Alternate is Jim Kraayenbrink.
- 4. Council received a 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter CAP Report. CAP continues to be utilized well. Shalem Mental Health Network provides professional faith-based counselling services to our church through the CAP ministry. CAP usage is confidential and available to all congregants, at no cost for the first 6 sessions. To book an appt, or for more info, please call Shalem directly at: **1-866-347-0041**, or text **289-335-3543**.
- 5. Rebecca Reeve from the CRCNA will be with us on Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> to give a presentation about Ministry Shares. We will be having soup and buns after the service to give the opportunity to visit with Rebecca.
- 6. Council approved giving an additional \$150 to the Wallaceburg Ministerial as they have a shortfall of funding this year.
- 7. Council approved Pastor Tim officiating at his niece’s wedding next May.
- 8. We will be hosting a combined Thanksgiving Day Service on Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM.
- 9. The next Council Meeting is Wednesday, October 8th at 7 pm.

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Mom to Mom is starting on September 10, 2025 at the **Dresden CRC!** This program is for women of all ages - new moms, seasoned moms, and everyone in between. It will run from 9-11 AM every other Wednesday. Childcare will be available for children under the age of 4. We are looking forward to a great year! Please call/text Janna Dieleman at 519-301-3824 or e-mail [jfdeweerd@gmail.com](mailto:jfdeweerd@gmail.com) if you are planning to attend so we know approximately how many ladies to prep for. A calendar is available upon request. There will be hard copies available at our first meeting as well. Drop ins are also welcome!

**Kids Corner Devotions:** Baking With God - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Baking With God” at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). In the devotion story today, a good time for prayer was when the family spent time baking bread. Each of us has different routines, so when is the best time for you to pray? Maybe it’s when you ride your bike to school or when you spend time building Lego. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net)

**Groundwork: Be A Disciple of Jesus Christ** - Many Christians have questions about following Jesus. Join Groundwork as we study 1 Timothy 4:7-8, 1 Peter 2:2-5, and 1 Timothy 2:1-3 to help us define discipleship, understand what this means for the lives of his disciples today, and discover the importance of community on our journey. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**Suicide — lets talk about it.**  
When we come across suicide, either in our own thoughts, or in the life of someone we are close to, it can be bewildering and scary. As Christians, who believe in the hope of Jesus, this experience can leave us feeling guilty and alone. But talking about suicide undoes the aloneness and allows us access to support for ourselves or to offer hope and resources to those who need it. In this edition of Shalem’s monthly Mental Health Matters article, we explore the presence and impact of suicide in our lives including signs, symptoms and hope for relief from feelings of despair. Follow this link to read the whole article including crisis numbers and links to support.





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VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

| DATE                            | 14– SEPT                 | 21– SEPT                  | 28– SEPT                      | 5– OCT           |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Sunday School Ages 3—5</b>   | Megan D                  | Megan D                   | Lucia K                       | Lucia K          |
| <b>Sunday School Grades 1-3</b> | Megan D (class combined) | Megan D (class combined)  | Jillian L                     | Jillian L        |
| <b>Sunday School Grades 4-8</b> | Lucas D                  | Lucas D                   | Lucas D                       | Lucas D          |
| <b>Nursery</b>                  | Jordan L<br>Joyce D      | Derrek G<br>Cori D        | Dave F<br>Olga D              | Megan D<br>Rob K |
| <b>Roamer</b>                   | Fred K                   | Matt F                    | Rob K                         | Bill D           |
| <b>Greeter</b>                  | Ed & Trish               | Irene K<br>Tina F         | Matt & Tara                   | Shawn & Beth     |
| <b>Coffee Set-up/ Clean-up</b>  | Jim & Lucia              | Soup & Bun<br>Sunday      | Bernard &<br>Karlene          | Bill & Olga      |
| <b>Scripture Readers</b>        | Pastor Chuck             | Malachi 3:6-15<br>Diane M | Galatians 6:6-10<br>Valerie K | Pastor George    |
| <b>VIDEO</b>                    | Avah                     | Kyle                      | Larissa                       | Lauren           |
| <b>CAMERA</b>                   | Connor                   | Dan                       | Colin                         | Ashton           |
| <b>SOUND</b>                    | Casey                    | Edmund                    | Jim                           | Casey            |

