



Welcome

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Drawing In

Welcome/Call to Worship/God's Greeting
I Know Whom I Have Believed
And Can It Be

Confiding

Commitment & Dedication/Prayer
God Be Merciful to Me
Children's Prayer (Ages 3-Grade 6 may exit)
Prayers of the People

Listening

1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 & Matthew 5:27-30
Lust
Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me
(Catechism exits)

Applying

Offering: Thrive
His Mercy is More
God's Parting Blessing
His Mercy is More

How might you show your support?

- drop off a meal/snack
- support via church ministries
- visit/phone call/text
- Intentional prayer
- other

Birthdays this week:

March 20: Bryan Kaastra
March 20: Brendan Kroes
March 20: Brielle Steenbeek

Praying Through the Church Directory. This week we turn to page 21, with the ministries of Cadets, GEMS and Youth Group, and the Governance, Community Life and Property & Finance Teams. In prayer we can thank God for those who serve in leading and those who participate in these ministries and teams, and pray for God to bless them and meet any needs they have.

How will you apply today's message to your life?

Keeping in Prayer: Mary Guetter

This Sunday we continue our Lent series on the Deadly Sins, this week addressing Lust, with the connected colour of fuchsia – expressing the bright goodness of sex -- but with it being a soiled cloth on the cross it expresses the excess of lust as a deadly sin.

Thank you to our wonderful family, friends, neighbours, and church family for your prayers, visits, phone calls, cards, meals, rides, taking wheelie bins out, doing groceries, etc during our recent 'health issues'. What a blessing for such an amazing support group!! Herman & Johanna Ramaker.

Please keep **Nick & Fanny Geleynse** in prayer as they are journeying to serve with the CRC's World Renew Disaster Response Services (DRS) on the Gulf coast of Florida which continues to recover from Hurricane Helene (2024). For 3-weeks they will be part of a team of 15 from across the US and Canada working together reconstructing homes that are still in disrepair.

CHURCH FAMILY SKATING: Monday, March 16 from 3-5 pm in the Clinton Eastlink Arena. Free skate from 3-4pm, Shinney hockey 4-5 pm. Lace up your skates and join us! All welcome!

Men's Breakfast: All men are invited to join us on Saturday, March 21 @ 8:00 AM. Come for good food and fellowship. Speaker: Glenn Gascho.

Worship services begin at 10:00 am and are livestreamed

Next Sunday, March 22, the Pastoral Elders are hosting a **Prayer Circle for Businesses** after the service in the in wing. We come together to share in voiced prayers and silent prayers in our hearts.

Volunteer Opportunity: On April 11 the Cadet's will be hosting the Cadet O'Rama at Central Huron Secondary School. On the day of the event we are looking for some volunteers to help us serve lunch. We are also looking for a couple of individuals willing to be judges of the craft display section of the event. Please talk to one of the Cadet councilors if you are willing to help us with this event.

The Deacons are hosting a Food Drive throughout March. We invite you to bring non-perishable food items each Sunday to help support individuals and families in our community. Let's come together to share God's love in a practical way and bless those in need. Thank you for your generosity!

Registration for the All Ontario Youth Convention is open! Planning is well underway and it's shaping up to be another awesome year of worship, activities, discussion, and community for youth and leaders. AOYC will be held at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, May 16-18. Early bird registration will begin March 1st, regular rates will apply by April 1st, and late rates by May 1st. Talk to Sonya or any youth leader for more info!

SERVE Trip Leader Needed: We are looking for a male leader to join our SERVE Trip to Stratford from July 4-11! You'll be serving alongside five amazing youth from our church for a week of meaningful ministry, team-building, and fun. This is a wonderful opportunity to invest in students, build relationships, and serve the Lord together through hands-on mission work. If you have a heart for youth, enjoy working as part of a team, and feel called to make an eternal impact, we would love to hear from you! Please contact Sonya Dykstra for more information or to express your interest.

Room2grow has nicely settled into our new location at 58 Mary Street in Clinton. We will be having an open house on March 27th from 1 PM to 3PM. Please join us for coffee, tea and snacks.

We are pleased to announce that we will be hosting our **50th Annual Banquet** on Wednesday, April 29 at 6:45 pm at the Wingham Columbus Centre. Our guest speakers will be from the Association for Political Reform (ARPA), speaking on Pro-Life 101. Tickets for the roast beef dinner **must be ordered in advance** and are \$30 (\$20 for youth). Tickets may be ordered from any of the board members in your parish or contact winghamrighttolife@gmail.com. All tickets must be ordered by **April 19**.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - The New Testament Gospels all include the account of a woman who interrupts a dinner party and pours out a precious perfume to anoint Jesus (Matt. 26:6-13; Mark 14:3-9; Luke 7:36-50; John 12:1-8). The disciples are offended at the intrusion. Jesus calls it a fitting tribute to his love, and a preparation for the way he will lay down his life. This week be mindful of incidents that interrupt your plans, or of individuals who intrude on your time and space. See each one as a divinely orchestrated opportunity to reorient your attention to the Savior who poured out his life for you.

Giving & Supporting

TODAY: Thrive
NEXT WEEK: Room2Grow

e-transfer to clintoncrtreasurer@tcc.on.ca (cause in memo);
cheque in offering or by mail;
PAR (pre-authorized remittance is for the budget only)

Office Hours this week:
Tuesday, Wednesday,
& Friday
8:30AM-4:00PM

Guelph Campus Ministry Open House, Saturday March 21, 11am-2pm: UofG's Guelph campus is hosting College Royal festivities (square dancing, animal shows, free milkshakes, petting zoos... more info at <https://www.collegeroyalsociety.com/>) on March 21-22, and GCM is participating by offering a **GCM Open House for our supporters, high school students, and alumni!** Drop by Raithby House on campus on Saturday between 11am-2pm for snacks, baked goods, and connection with GCM students, board members, and staff. Learn about GCM's programs and presence on campus, and take back some information about GCM for students in your church who might be looking at UofG for next year. Prospective students are welcome to stop by as well. We look forward to sharing a taste of the Guelph Campus Ministry community with you!

Kids Corner Devotions: Jesus Cried - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Jesus Cried," at www.kidscorner.net. Everyone has big feelings, and learning to notice how others feel helps us be kinder friends. Just like Jesus, we can listen, care, and show love when someone is sad or happy. Prepare for Easter with all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net), like Kids Corner's Lent Devotional.

2026 Cambodia Discovery Tour - World Renew invites you on a learning journey to explore Cambodia! Grow in your understanding of World Renew's work from communities already leading change, while experiencing the history, traditions, and culture of Cambodia. Join us from November 6-16, 2026 and come discover what God is doing in Cambodia. Registration is limited. For more information and to register, visit: <https://bit.ly/cambodia2026info>

Groundwork: Carrying Jesus' Cross on the Road to Golgotha - When we reach stations seven and eight of the Stations of the Cross, we reflect on the movement of Jesus and the cross toward Golgotha. Join Groundwork as we study John 19:6-17, Matthew 27:19-31, and Mark 15:21 to consider the symbolism of the cross beam placed on Jesus, the significance of Simon of Cyrene carrying Jesus' cross, and what it means to bear the cross with Jesus in our lives. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

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100 Women | 1 Heart: You're Invited - On April 18 from 9:30–11:30 a.m., 100 women will gather at Mountainview CRC in Grimsby, Ont., for a morning to champion accessibility, pooling our gifts to raise \$10,000 in support of Thrive and Friendship Ministries and their work strengthening churches and promoting full inclusion for people with disabilities. Each year, women show up, chip in \$100, and together create one shared gift that fuels ministry close to a woman's heart. Come enjoy a meaningful morning investing in belonging without barriers. Can't attend? You can still join the celebration by giving in honour of the event as we work toward our \$10,000 goal. Register today: <https://crcna.regfox.com/100-women-1-heart>