

Clinton Christian Reformed Church

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Pastor Ray Vander Kooij

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Glory to God Alone

A Mighty Fortress is Our God Welcome/Call to Worship/God's Greeting Build Your Kingdom Here My Lighthouse

Faith Alone

Children's Reformation Video
By Faith (ages 3-SK dismissed)
Offering: World Renew—World Hunger
Prayers of the People

Scripture Alone

Isaiah 55:10-11 (pg 733, lp 1148) Romans 1:16 (pg 1112, lp 1747) The Hammer that Changed the World The God We Love (Nicene Creed)

Grace Alone

God's Parting Blessing
Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

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

Keeping in Prayer: Mary Guetter

How might you show your support?

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

Please keep Jenn & Nate Hoogendoorn in your prayers, as Jenn is scheduled to undergo lumpectomy surgery on Wednesday (Nov. 5) in light of her recent cancer diagnosis. Please pray for successful surgery and her recovery.

Update: We're thankful to say that **Sandra Dykstra** has been able to move to the Clinton hospital for rehabilitation after her hip surgery. The staff in Stratford was great yet we're happy to have her closer to home. She would be happy to have visitors. Be sure to sign the visitor book. Thank you for your prayers and concern.

A Focus on the Reformation: Sunday, November 2 at 10am we're planning for an inclusive, interactive time of worship focusing on the Reformation. There is child care for infants to 2 years old and Sunday School for ages 3-SK. Children in grade 1 and older will be joining us to learn about Martin Luther and the impact of the Reformation. Invite your family, neighbours and friends and enjoy treats provided after the service.

Birthdays this week:

November 2: Donna Lubbers November 6: Noah Van Wyk November 6: Logan Rozendal

GEMS Soup & Bun Supper:

November 7 skip the cooking and dishes!
The GEMS have you covered, please come out Friday, November 7 to our
Soup and Bun Dinner from 5:00-7:00pm.
Enjoy an assortment of soups, chili and desserts. Cost is a donation.
We look forward to serving you!

Bible Study starts tonight November 2nd. It will be Sunday evenings for five weeks in the fellowship hall from 7-8PM. We'll be using a study from RightNow Media called Hope and Hospitality. We'll discover that at the kitchen table, we don't only interact with food, friends, family, and feelings – but also with our faith. No need to RSVP - just show up. The table is set for you.

Special Invitation for Senior Ladies: The GEMS would love to invite you to a special evening of card making and tea with our lovely GEMS girls! Date: Thursday, November 13; Time: 6:45–8:30PM; Location: Church Fellowship Hall. Come enjoy a delightful evening of crafting, games, tea, cake, and conversation with the young girls of our GEMS group. We're excited to spend this meaningful time with you and create something special together! If you have any questions, please contact: Holly Kroes: 519-525-0243 or Amanda Mahon in the church office. We hope to see you there!

Youth Service: There is a youth service **November 23** at 6:30, hosted by the Stratford CRC youth group. We will be leaving from the church at 5:30, contact Deb or Sonya for a ride.

Deacons Senior Social: All seniors age 70 and over are warmly invited to an afternoon Social hosted by the Deacons on **Saturday, November 30** at **2:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. Come and enjoy a wonderful time of food, fellowship, and entertainment! The Deacons look forward to spending this special afternoon with you.

The Clinton Christmas Parade is coming up on **Friday**, **December 5**, **2025**, and we're looking to see if there is interest in the church community about being involved and entering a float. Volunteers would be required to help design and decorate in advance and/or participate in our church float during the parade! If you're interested in lending a hand or sharing ideas, please contact **Joleen Krebs** at **joleenotten@gmail.com**.

Luncheon Ladies: This ministry provides comfort and community by preparing meals for families after funeral services. As our dedicated volunteers enter new seasons with increased travel and commitments, this ministry is looking for members of the next generation to step into this meaningful role. It's a beautiful way to show Christ's love through practical care. The commitment is low— just one day per request. Training and support provided. Please contact Michelle or JoAnne if you feel called to serve.

October Offerings: Birthday Fund \$1,070; Coupon Fund \$2,400; Deacons \$2,179.35; Friends of the Community Food bank \$125; General Operating Fund \$40,389.70; Huron Christian School Bursary \$7,756; Huron Women's Shelter \$1,397.85; Open Doors \$2,000; Redeemer \$45; Resonate Global Mission \$45; Room2Grow \$25; Sanctuary London \$50; Soup & More \$50; Sunday School \$77.50; Thrive \$1,601.35; World Renew Canada Food Grains Bank \$4,681.40; World Renew \$7,860.

Kindergarten Registration: Children born in 2021 or 2022 can register for the 2026–2027 school year on Thursday, November 13, 2025, from 9:00–11:30 a.m at Huron Christian School. Call 519-482-7851 to book your appointment and get a registration package!

Giving & Supporting

TODAY: World Renew-World Hunger

NEXT WEEK: Reframe Ministries

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

The HCS 38th Annual Auction kicks off with the online portion on Thursday, November 20, closing Friday at 9 PM. The live auction will take place on Saturday, November 22, with bidding starting at 7 PM in the school gym. We would love to see you there-it's a fun social night! We've received an amazing response from both the school and the surrounding community for contributions! We appreciate your support for this major fundraiser! Information on how to sign up for the online auction will be available soon! Reach out to auction@huronchristianschool.ca with any questions.

Everyone is invited to Pastor Kasey VanderVeen's retirement celebration where we can collectively honour and thank God for his many years of service. Date: Saturday November 15, 2025 Time: 2:00pm – 5:00pm Place: Water Street Church (287 Water Street, Guelph ON Canada N1G 1B6) The celebration will begin at 2:00pm in our church sanctuary, followed by refreshments and fellowship downstairs in our gym. We will have a basket available to receive cards from those that want to share with Pastor Kasey and Liz words of encouragement or blessings as they begin a new chapter in life.

Let's Answer God's Call to Feed the Hungry - Around the world, conflict and disasters are pushing more families into a food crisis. There is an urgency to answer God's call to feed the hungry with generosity. As Hebrews 13:16 reminds us, "And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." With your support, we can walk alongside communities and equip them with the training and tools to achieve lasting food security. Please give generously in today's World Hunger Sunday offering. To learn more, go to: worldrenew.ca/worldhunger

Kids Corner Devotions: Praying with Our Whole Selves - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Praying with Our Whole Selves" at www.kidscorner.net. There are so many fun and special ways to talk to God—like dancing, clapping, kneeling, or folding your hands. You can worship God with your whole body through quiet prayers, joyful songs, kind actions, and big movements! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the KC video series, "Kids in Action", telling stories of kids who serve God right now!

Groundwork: Your Questions about God's Care and the Life of Faith - The life of faith is a journey, and it's natural to have questions along the way. Join Groundwork as we study Genesis 16, Psalm 146:6-9, John 15:1 -17, Micah 6:8, John 16:1-4, Luke 13:1-5, and Isaiah 55:8-9 to discover the Bible's answers to our questions about God's care for us as individuals, discipleship, suffering, and God's timing. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - World Hunger Sunday - Find time this week to invite some friends and neighbors over for a simple meal. Afterward, donate what you would have spent on an evening out to World Renew's efforts to help achieve food security around the world (worldrenew.net/world-hunger). Or commit to not eating out for a set number of days and donating the money you save to World Renew. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Moving Forward in Faith Conference - Registration ends on November 3rd. You don't want to miss this conference which begins Friday evening, November 14, and continues all day Saturday, November 15, in Oakville, ON. Come for all or part of it! With over 30 dynamic workshops to pick from, plenary sessions by Danielle Strickland (daniellestrickland.com), and times of worship and networking, this conference will equip you with practical skills and spiritual insights to better serve your local community. There's also a Bus Tour for those who want to see ministry in action! Visit the event website now: https://www.resonateglobalmission.org/moving-forward-faith. (Group rates, a Young Adult Stream, and hotel discounts are also available!) We can't wait to see you there!