

# **Exeter Christian Reformed Church**

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# Sunday, September 8, 2024

Worship: 10am

**Teacher: Jay Crossen** 

Musician: Michelle, Marian, Al, Josh, Orrin

# **God Gathers Us in His Presence**

- Words of Welcome
- \* Call to Worship
- \* God's Greeting
- \* Song: Lord Most High LUYH #593

#### **God Renews Us in His Grace**

Prayer of Confession God's Assurance Song of Assurance: Living Hope

# God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Message Children's Song: Lord, I Lift Your Name on High LUYH #610 Children aged 3 – Grade 6 are dismissed for Sunday School Prayer of Illumination Scripture: 1 Corinthians 9:19-27 Message: Like a Fish out of Water

Song of Response: Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

# God Calls Us to Respond with Prayers and Offerings

- Announcements
- Prayers of God's People
- Offering: This week the Deacons will be using your gifts to support the **Huron County Food Distribution Centre**. Etransfers may be sent to <u>ecrcgiving@gmail.com</u>

# Offertory: Be Unto Your Name

# God Sends Us Out to Serve with His Blessing

- God's Sending and Blessing
- \* Song: The Blessing

\* Indicates to please stand if you are able

LUYH stands for Lift Up Your Hearts (the red song book in the pews)

# **Gathering for Worship**

**LARGE PRINT** copies of the Lift Up Your Hearts hymn book are available for use during worship. They are located on the bookcase in the foyer next to the administrator's office. Large print copies of songs not in LUYH are available from the ushers.

<u>Nursery and Sunday School</u> programs will be available during the church service for those parents who wish their children to participate. We have classes for children aged 3 – Grade 6. Children will be dismissed during the worship gathering. The Education Committee, Sunday School, and Nursery, with the support of Council, have developed a plan to safely care for your children.

Exeter CRC strives to be a healthy community. If you are feeling unwell in any way join our worship gathering on-line. We continue to worship together as a community of God's people. <u>YouTube:</u> <u>https://bit.ly/3yYa4ze</u>



Exeter CRC is accessible for those with hearing impairment. If you are hard of hearing, please have an usher direct you to the sound booth for an assistive device.

# From the Deacons

The offering this Sunday and the week ahead is for the **Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre.** <u>September 15</u>: Resonate Global Missions <u>September 22</u>: Fellowship of Christian Farmers <u>September 29</u>: Christian School Bursary Fund

The Deacons will collect your offering during the worship service. You can also respond with your offering by e-transfer to <u>ecrcgiving@gmail.com</u>. Please state in the memo the cause(s) you are supporting. Coupons for the offering are still available. Please ask one of the deacons for assistance if you are interested in buying coupons.



**MemberCare**<sup>+</sup> is a free counselling program for Exeter CRC members provided through By Peaceful Waters. Please call **519-886-8577** or email **mail@bypeacefulwaters.ca** for more information.

# **Our Church Family**

<u>Calendar of Events</u>: One of the features of our website is a calendar of meetings and events to help keep you up to date. Click on this <u>link</u> to have a look at everything happening at ECRC.

We pray for Holly Meinen, Fred & Ann Zwaan's daughter, as she is in the hospital receiving treatment for leukemia.

For those who have a prayer request or are sharing a thanksgiving, please feel free to include it on the church's Facebook page, or please contact your elder or the church office if you wish to include it in the bulletin or The Bridge App.

# **Exeter CRC Announcements**

<u>Men's breakfast!</u> This coming Saturday, September 14th, from 8-9:30AM at Exeter CRC. We will have bacon and eggs, and other breakfast goodies, good fellowship and great faith conversations. It is by donation. All men are welcome! Please RSVP to Mike Zandwyk or Pastor Jay if you plan to attend.

<u>GEMS REGIONAL COUNSELOR TRAINING</u> on Saturday, October 19/24 at Stratford CRC. Please register at https://bit.ly/GEMSACTS2024 for a day of learning, sharing, and creating in fun-filled workshops. Come meet the new GEMS Executive Director, Wendy Hammond! Our speaker for the day is Dr. Jane Sinden. This training day is open to all current GEMS Counselors, C.I.T.s, and women interested in learning more about being a GEMS Counselor. Please speak to Karen Knip for more information. <u>Christmas Bureau</u>: Plans are underway to, once again, host the Christmas Bureau. The new format of the Christmas Bureau requires a small team of individuals who can accept donations November 25-29 and then distribute gift cards December 2-6. If you are interested in learning more about the Christmas Bureau or if you would like to help in any way, please contact Sadie (519-857-2783).

**Sunday School** is starting their full program today, Sept 8, 2024. This year we are blessed with 42 children ... We again are using the format Large Group Small Group... We are looking for volunteers to be Story Tellers, Teachers and/or Helpers. There is a sign-up sheet in the education wing on the Sunday School desk. Please prayerfully consider this ministry and it's needs. If you have any questions please reach out to Joy DeWeerd, Jody Mulder or Joyce Pelley.

<u>Coffee with Pastor Jay</u>: I am excited to get to know you! One way we can start to get to know each other is over coffee (or in my case, tea, or water). Join me for coffee time in my office and tell me a bit about yourself! There is a sign-up outside my office.

<u>Nursing Home Singers</u>: On Tuesday, September 10, we hope to continue our season of singing at Queensway at 6pm. Come join us in blessing our Seniors. You will be blessed as well! Questions? Talk to Betty.

**<u>Calling all YOUTH</u>**: Come on out for a swim & BBQ: <u>September 15</u> (postponed from September 8) @ Tony & Marian DeBoer's (167 Waterloo St) right after church. Talk to Darren Bouman or Sharon Kodde if you need a ride over!

# From the CRCNA and the Broader Community

**HCS Shop 'n Save**: Have you heard of this unique fundraising program at Huron Christian School? You don't buy anything that you don't already use! This program sells "declining balance cards" (Gift Cards) from a large variety of stores. The profits from the sales of these products are directed toward reducing the tuition at HCS. The program is incredibly easy to use. Pop into the office at HCS any day to purchase in-stock gift cards from Deb or Wednesday mornings from 9-10:30 from the Shop 'n Save coordinators. Any cards not in stock will be ordered the following Wednesday. Cheques, cash or e-transfers accepted. Email trip@huronchristianschool.ca for more information on how to get started.

HURON CLASSIS YOUTH FALL RETREAT 2024!! REGISTRATION NOW OPEN Sept 27-29, 2024, Fall Retreat at Muskoka Woods! Dive in the new youth season as we dig into the Book of James learning about Practical Faith with Marshall Morden and be joined in worship with Cambridge Pentecostal! Fall Retreat is always a great weekend of fun, fellowship and journeying together in faith! Registration link will be on the Fall Retreat website https://classishuronfallretreat.ca/ Also follow us on Facebook or Instagram @CH1FallRetreat We look forward to seeing you there!

<u>Men's Breakfast:</u> Join us for Men's Breakfast on Saturday, September 21, 2024 @ 8AM. A time of food and fellowship followed by Speaker Walter Dean. Clinton Christian Reformed Church, 243 Princess St. E. Free will offering only.

London Christian High Golf Tournament: Join us! The 14th Annual LCH golf tournament is scheduled for Friday, September 27 at 1:30 pm at Echo Valley Golf Course. Includes 18 holes golf, cart & dinner. Visit our website at londonchristianhigh.ca under the "What's Happening" tab for details on player registration and sponsorship opportunities! Questions? Email us at golf@lckonline.ca!

<u>Sanctuary London</u> invites you to join them for their second annual fall fundraiser at Fieldcroft Estate in beautiful Komoka. Join us for a fun-filled evening as we learn about and support the important work of Sanctuary London. An evening of live music, good food and a live auction. Come meet our staff, board and volunteers. Tickets are \$100 per person and include a \$60 tax receipt. Click the link for tickets: <u>https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/jeans-and-jackets-a-fundraiser-in-support-of-sanctuary-london-tickets-952736800417?aff=ebdsoporgprofile</u>

This Week: September 8-14								
<u>Sunday</u> ➤ Worship: 10am ➤ Sunday School	<u>Monday</u> ≽	Tuesday ➤ Nursing Home Singers – Queensway, 6pm	<u>Wednesday</u> ≽	Thursday ➤ Elder's Meeting – 7:30pm	<u>Friday</u> ≯	Saturday ➤ Men's Breakfast – 8am		

SERVING SCHEDULE								
	September 8	September 15	September 22	September 29				
Elder	Jake Zantingh	Al Heyink	Gerald Kodde	Joe Lubbers				
Deacon	Joy DeWeerd, Harry Knip	Harry Knip, Dianne Soer	Dianne Soer, Connor Van Soest	Connor VanSoest, Joy DeWeerd				
Coffee Clean-Up	Jeff & Yvonne Van Soest Bert & Wilma Visscher	Wendy Westerik Adrian & Maria Bakelaar	Frieda Zandbergen, Mike & Emmy Zandwyk	Anne Zwaan Derek & Sharon Bakelaar				
Greeters	Gerben & Ria Steenbeek	Anne Zwaan, Clare Toornstra	Lori Triebner, Albert Hummel	Sandra Newton, Norma Vanderlaan				
Ushers	Clare Toornstra, Cliff Knip	Al Heyink, Betty Toornstra	Harry Knip, Wilma Visscher	Gerald Kodde, Colton Mulder				
Children's Storyteller	Leo Weverink	Joan Brady	Bert Visscher	Teresa Buckman				
Nursery	Sylvia Hulshof, Jolene DeBoor, Avery Knip	Lisa Heyink, Tanya Steenbeek, Sydney Lubbers	Kathryn Langendyk, Anthony Nyman, Lily DenHollander	Sheila Vanderlaan, Wilma Visscher, Averi Mulder				
Sunday School	Kassidy Heyink, Angela Nyman, Joy DeWeerd, Tanya Steenbeek	Kassidy Heyink, Angela Nyman, Joy DeWeerd, Tanya Steenbeek	Kassidy Heyink, Angela Nyman, Joy DeWeerd, Tanya Steenbeek	Kassidey Heyink, Angela Nyman, Joy DeWeerd, Tanya Steenbeek				