

# **Exeter Christian Reformed Church**

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**Sunday, Nov 16 2025** 

Worship: 10am Pastor Jay Crossen Musicians: Steve

# **God Gathers Us in His Presence**

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

- \* Song Holy, Holy, Holy LUYH # 538
- \* God's Greeting
- \* Song Here I Am to Worship LUY # 567

## **God Renews Us In His Grace**

Prayer of Confession & Assurance

Song: Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit LUYH # 745

Lord's Supper

# **God Speaks to Us Through His Word**

Children's Song: King of King's and Lords of Lords CCLI 23952

Children (Dismissal age 3-Grade 6) for Sunday School Grade 7 & 8 Catechism

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Luke 9:23-27, Galatians 5:16-25, Acts 2:42-57

Message: Series "Come Follow Me" The Cost and the Community of

Apprenticeship

\*Song: Blest Be the Tie That Binds LUYH # 257

# **God Calls Us to Respond with Prayers and Offerings**

Announcements

Prayer of God's People

Offering: Deacons – Benevolence

Offertory Instrumental

#### God Sends Us Out to Serve with His Blessing

\*God's Sending and Blessing

\*Song: Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow.

<sup>\*</sup> 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**

<u>LARGE PRINT</u> copies of the <u>Lift Up Your Hearts</u> 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 to 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.

<u>Valet service</u> - designed for worshippers with mobility challenges, valet service is available from 9:35 to 9:55 Sunday mornings. Simply drive your car up to the east door (under the car port) and one of our friendly drivers will meet you, help unload your mobility device and park your car for you! If you are interested, contact Mike Buckman in church, by phone (519-236-7940), though Facebook or via email at <a href="michaelbuckman@hotmail.com">michaelbuckman@hotmail.com</a>

# **Upcoming Services**:

Nov 16: Pastor Jay
Nov 23: Nick Geleynse
Nov 30: Pastor Jay
Dec 7: Pastor Jay

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. YouTube: https://bit.ly/3yYa4ze



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 is Deacons - Benevolence

Nov 23: Huron County Christmas Bureau

Nov 30: Community Table

Dec 7: Indwell

The Deacons will collect your offering during the worship service. You can also respond with your offering by e-Transfer to <a href="mailto:ecrcgiving@gmail.com">ecrcgiving@gmail.com</a>. Please state in the memo the cause(s) you are supporting. Coupons for the offering are available in the office; 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 link to have a look at everything happening at ECRC.

<u>Congratulations</u>: We as church family extend congratulations to Curtis & Kassidy Heyink they were blessed with a baby girl November 7, 2025, Ashlynn Diane. We thank God for the gift of life.

<u>Condolences</u>: We also as church family extended our deepest sympathies to Theresa Visscher and her daughters Angela, Melanie & Kathleen on the passing of Albert Visscher on November 7, 2025. Friends will be received at the Lockhart Funeral Home in Mitchell on Friday November 14 from 10:00 – 10:45 am followed by the funeral service at 11:00 am.

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>Common Plate Community Meals</u> Come on out from 5:30-7pm at Precious Blood Catholic Church for weekly dinners starting on September 2 to enjoy a complimentary meal, Common Plate, and build relationships with our broader community?

<u>Common Plate Community Meals:</u> We are looking for some more volunteers for Common Plate Community Meals. We need at least 2 more people to help with meal prep on a 7 week rotation. We could also use more people to help with cleanup. We are specifically in need of people capable of taking down tables and stacking chairs at 7pm. If this is something you would be interested in, please contact Marique Crossen.

<u>Common Plate</u> A donation email has been set up for Common Plate it is as follows <u>donations@Exetercommonplate.org</u>

<u>GEMS Fundraiser</u> As a club, we participate in the Hansen's Independent Save-A-Tape program. This week the Exeter CRC GEMS received a cheque for \$566.00 from the store! Thank you to everyone who faithfully collects their receipts for the GEMS box in the foyer. We appreciate your support! Any questions please contact Karen Knip.

<u>Church Sign</u>: We are seeking a volunteer to do monthly/bi-weekly updates for the letterboard under the church sign. Anyone who is interested please reach out to Curtis Heyink.

<u>Congregational Meeting</u>: There will be a congregational meeting Nov 26, 2025 @ 7:30 pm To present the 2026 budget. You will find your packages your mail slots.

<u>Young Adults (ages 18–35)</u> is kicking off this month with **cornhole**, **pizza**, and **fellowship** in the church gym on **Friday**, **November 28 at 7:30 PM**. Come out for a fun evening and feel free to bring friends! If you have any questions, contact Savannah Zantingh, Rachel Kaumanns, or Rachel Boersma. We look forward to seeing you there!"

## Celebrating 75 Year's of God's Faithfulness at Exeter CRC!

Hello Church Family!

With great excitement, we're making plans for a special weekend of celebrations to take place **April 24-26, 2026, D. V.** In your mailboxes, you'll find a **"Save the Date"** card with more details. Please mark your calendars and help spread the word to former members and friends of Exeter CRC. Extra cards are available by the church office – feel free to take a few to share.

Stay tuned for more information in the new year! We look forward to celebrating 75 years of God's goodness and faithfulness together in Exeter.

#### From the CRCNA and the Broader Community

<u>Youth Service:</u> The youth of Stratford CRC are hosting a youth service November 23 at 6:30 and would love for all those in youth to come out! Snack and social to follow. Hope to see you all there! Our youth group will also be having an offering during this service for Ramoth House Life Center.

HCS 38th Annual Auction – Booklet Available, Online Items are Viewable and Live is THIS SATURDAY! The auction booklet is now available, be sure to grab your copy! Inside, you'll find a fantastic selection of items up for bid. You can also explore the silent auction items online at https://charityauction.bid/HCSAuction. If you would like a booklet, please email office@huronchristianschool.ca to get a copy. A reminder: live auction items will be sold in person THIS COMING Saturday, November 22 starting at 7:00 pm in the school gym. Silent auction bidding opens on Thursday, November 20 and closes on Friday, November 21 at 9:00 pm. Item pickup will take place during/after the live auction. Have questions? Reach out to us at auction@huronchristianschool.ca. We look forward to seeing you there!

<u>SAVE THE DATE!</u> If you are between 18 and 30, this is for you! On Friday, January 2, 2026, the Young Adults of Stratford CRC are hosting a New Year's Banquet. Doors open at 7 pm. All Young Adults are called on to "dress-your-best" for a dinner, followed by a game show, and door prizes. Reserve your seat by e-transferring 15\$ to:

<u>treasurer@stratfordcrc.org</u> Include your first and last name with this transfer. For further questions, you can reach out to: <a href="mailto:estherlucille99@gmail.com">estherlucille99@gmail.com</a> It will be an evening to remember!

<a href="https://www.instagram.com/youngadults.stratfordcrc?igsh=MXZwcTQ4eG1ybnQxOA%3D%3D&utm\_source=qr">https://www.instagram.com/youngadults.stratfordcrc?igsh=MXZwcTQ4eG1ybnQxOA%3D%3D&utm\_source=qr</a>

Groundwork: Blessed are....the Poor in Spirit, those Who Mourn, the Meek, and those Who Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness - The Beatitudes have provided generations of Christians comfort, guidance, and strength for their faith. Join Groundwork as we study the first four of Jesus' Beatitudes in Matthew 5:3-6 to gain a deeper understanding of each condition and discover how they exemplify ideal discipleship. GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

This Week Nov 16-22 2025									
Sunday 10am Worship	Monday Gems 7-8:30 pm	<u>Tuesday</u> Youth Group 7-9 pm	Wednesday Coffee Break 9:30 –	Thursday Cadets 7:00 pm	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>			
Sunday School age 3 to Grade 6	Choir 7:30 pm	NHS Bluewater 6:45	11 am Elders Meeting	caucis 7.50 pm					
Catechism Grade 7&8 Youth Room		pm	7:30 pm Deacons Meeting 7: 30 pm						
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SERVING SCHEDULE							
	Nov 16	Nov 23	Nov 30	Dec 7			
Elder	Joe Lubbers	Gerald Kodde	Gerard Steenbeek	Leo Weverink			
Deacon	Dianne & Marian	Marian & Joy	Joy & Anthony	Anthony & Dianne			
Coffee	Aaron & Jolene	Tony & Marian	Tim & Joy	Sandra Ducharme			
Clean-Up	Nathan and Rachel	Ron & Rolinda	Job & Laura	Al and Sylvia			
Greeters	Yvonne Van Soest Kathryn	Scott & Wendy Stafford	Norma Vanderlaan Clarence	Lori Triebner Albert Hummel			
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Ushers	Tim DeWeerd & Anthony Nyman	Sylvia Hulshoff & Dianne Soer	Cliff Knip & Marian DeBoer	Cliff Knip & Marian DeBoer			
Children's	N/A	Karen Knip	Joan Brady	Bert V.			
Message							
Nursery	Joyce Pelley, Sylvia Hulshoff, Layla	Hannah Glavin, Janelle Bouman,	Melissa Vansoest, Rolinda	Kevin Mulder, Joanne			
	Denhollander	Lillian Crossen	deRuiter, Angela Nyman, Avery Mulder	Branderhorst, Avery poortinga			
Sunday	Sandra Ducharme, Katelyn	Sandra Ducharme, Jody Mulder,	Sandra Ducharme, Katelyn Heyink,	Jolene deBoer, Sarah Mulder,			
School	Heyink, Jordan Boersma, Maria	Janelle Bouman, Bill Branderhorst,	Jordan Boersma, Janelle Bouman,	Jordan Boersma, Janelle			
	Bakelaar, Bill Branderhorst, Bill Branderhorst		Bill Branderhosrt,	Bouman, Tanya Steenbeek			
Valet	Greg Langendyk	Bill Branderhorst	Albert Hummel	Mike Zandwyk			