



Exeter Christian Reformed Church

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Sunday, March 12, 2023

Worship: 10am

Teacher: Pastor Peter Tuininga

Musician: Steve

Elder of the Day: Jason Mulder

Deacon of the Day: Nathan Boersma

God Gathers Us in His Presence

Words of Welcome

- * Call to Worship
- * God's Greeting
- * Song: **Holy is the Lord** LUYH #597

God Renews Us in His Grace

Prayer of Confession

God's Assurance

Song: **Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus** LUYH #796

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Message

Children's Song: **Ho-ho-ho-hosanna**

Children's Dismissal to Sunday School

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: **Psalm 78: 4-7, Deuteronomy 4:9**

Sermon: **Intentional Grandparenting**

Song: **Tell Your Children** LUYH #314

God Calls Us to Respond with Prayers and Offerings

Announcements

Prayer of God's People

Offering: This week the Deacons will be using your gifts to support the **Christian School Bursary Fund**. Etransfers may be sent to ecrcgiving@gmail.com

God Sends Us Out to Serve with His Blessing

- * God's Sending and Blessing
- * Song: **Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God** LUYH #953

*Indicates to please stand if you are able

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

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.

Gathering for Worship

Teaching Schedule:

Sunday, March 19, 10am: We welcome Pastor Vicki Cok, pastor of Waterloo CRC. It is the fourth Sunday in Lent.

Sunday, March 26, 10am: We welcome Pastor George Lubbers. It is the fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, April 2, 10am: Pastor Rick DeGraaf, retired pastor from Maranatha CRC in Cambridge will lead us in worship. It is a preparatory Sunday for the Lord's Supper and the sixth Sunday in Lent.

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.

Coffee Servers: We will continue to serve coffee after our Sunday worship service. We will be using ceramic mugs and invite members of the congregation to serve and clean-up. If you are unable to serve when scheduled, please switch with someone else on the list. The coffee servers schedule for is posted here:

March 12 Mike & Amanda Desgagne, Tim & Joy DeWeerd
March 19 Sandra DuCharme, Harm and Jennifer Garritsen, Job Garritsen
March 26 Al & Sylvia Heyink, Scott & Lisa Heyink

From the Deacons

The offering this Sunday and the week ahead is for the **Christian School Bursary Fund**

Upcoming Collections:



March 19, 2023: Huron County Foodbank Distribution Centre

March 26, 2023: To be scheduled.

April 2, 2023: World Renew – Refugee Sunday

You can respond with your offering by e-transfer to ecrcgiving@gmail.com. Please state in the memo the cause(s) you are supporting.

Due to more online giving by e-transfer, the Deacons have decided to once again receive the Sunday morning offering as you exit the sanctuary after the service.



MemberCare⁺ 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.

Offerings Received in January and February 2023

Calvinist Cadet Corps	\$528.10	Exeter CRC Cadets	\$528.10
Children of the Promise	\$1,861.52	Deacons	\$560.00
ThereforeGo Ministries	\$971.40	WISH to be Home	\$617.77

Our Church Family

Calendar of Events: 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.

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.

Nursery (ages 0-2) and Sunday School (ages 3 – Grade 6)

Nursery and Sunday School programs will be available during the church service for those parents who wish to participate. 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.

NURSERY SCHEDULE					
DATE	ADULT	HELPER	DATE	ADULT	HELPER
March 12	Yvonne Van Soest Sarah Van Breda	Jenelle Vanderlaan	March 19	Liv Jackson Lisa Heyink	Melanie Langendyk

GEMS, Cadets, Youth Group

March 13-17 is March Break and GEMS, Cadets and Youth Group will not meet.

Exeter CRC Announcements

Music for Missions : Special Event: SERVE 2023 has 18 willing and eager participants from our Youth group heading out this summer. SERVE has impacted many people's lives in this congregation, both young and old alike. The Worship committee along with our Youth would like to present for you an evening of Musical Talent in singing, dance, instruments, or something in sign language, testimonies, a favorite poem. We would love to hear from you if you would like to participate in this evening of community and support (financial or otherwise) to our youth! It is your time to SHINE! April 30th, 6 pm right here at the church. Please speak to Maria Bakelaar or Sharon Kodde for more information or to sign up.

FROM THE BOA:

New FOB Access System: BOA is in the process of switching church access from keys to a FOB system. If you currently have a key and require access or require access because of your activities within our church, please contact Rick Hulshof to arrange the exchange of your key for a FOB. Soon BOA will be having the doors re-keyed so your current keys will not work.

Scheduled church access.: It is possible to have the entrance door remotely unlocked. We do ask that if you need to have the church opened that you do it as was normally done in the past. Please schedule this in advance through our custodians. Although it's easier now for them to unlock the building we need to remember that they also have busy lives and need advance notice to make sure they have time available.

Volunteer Copier: A new black and white copier has been added to the education wing resource room. We hope that our musicians and other program volunteers will find this helpful. We ask that if you use the last of the supplies, or if they are running low to please let administration know so replacements can be ordered.

From the CRCNA and the Broader Community

Huron Christian School: On March 31, 2023 from 7:30-10:00pm, Huron Christian School will be hosting a 'Coffee House Social' evening in the school gym with music and food. A free will offering will be held at the door and go towards our Special Needs Fund. This will be a wonderful evening spent together with our school community. If you have any questions please email the fundraising committee at fundraising@huronchristianschool.ca or the school office at office@huronchristianschool.ca.

SOCO Beach Project Update: Join the fun in showering the SOCO home with household items. Check out the registry. Give a gift. For any gift over \$25 - your name is put in the ***SOCO Get-Away Giveaway - an overnight stay in Port Dover***. Details in this week's newsletter. And limited space is still available for SOCO '23. Email your application ASAP! Newsletter link: <https://mailchi.mp/0243c12cc262/soco-update-march-1-23>

2023 Inspirational Women's Conference: Plans are underway, and registration is open for the next conference, so we hope you'll mark your calendars and join us for another day of contemporary worship, great teaching, food, and fellowship. Saturday, April 29 with more details to follow. Link for registration is here: <https://globalcoffeebreak.org/womensconference>

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Ready, Set, Alphabet: Is your child ready for Junior Kindergarten in the fall? Ready, Set, Alphabet! is a 6-week program for children turning 4 in 2023. Through engaging devotions, arts and crafts, worship, games and stories, your child will be challenged to begin an exciting and life-long journey of reading and writing. This program will take place at the Huron Christian School on Thursdays beginning April 6, 2023. The cost is \$60. Morning and afternoon sessions are available. Call or email the school to register! 519-482-7851 or office@huronchristianschool.ca

Wingham and District Right to Life invites you to join us in celebrating our 47th year! We will be hosting our annual dinner at the Wingham Columbus Centre, Wednesday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$20 for students. We are excited to have guest speaker Cindy joining us! Through her personal testimony, she will be sharing about Hope and Healing after an Abortion. Purchase tickets by contacting a board member from your parish (Kathy Waechter, Marilyn VanHeesh, Anna Menkveld, Lorraine Clugston, Sonya Wubs, Darby Kikkert, T'Miika Sjaarda, by calling president Brenda Sjaarda (519-440-2744), or sending us an email: winghamrighttolife@gmail.com). Tickets must be ordered before April 24, 2023.

World Renew and Families Around the World Thank You: Last week, your church partnered with World Renew and Canadian Foodgrains Bank to provide emergency food to families in crisis around the world and to equip communities with the tools and training they need to journey to food security for the long haul. Thank you for sharing your gifts with our global neighbours. As we hear about the increasing challenges the most vulnerable families around the world face meeting their basic food needs, World Renew is grateful for the hope and strength your gift provides. To continue learning about the ways World Renew and Canadian Foodgrains Bank work to help end global hunger, visit: worldrenew.ca/foodgrains