



Exeter Christian Reformed Church

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Office Hours: Tues/Thurs, 9am-12pm
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Sunday, September 17, 2023

Worship: 10am

Teacher: Pastor Kevin DeRaaf

**Musician: Michelle, Shawn,
Sylvia, Marian**

Elder of the Day: Mike Zandwyk

Deacon of the Day: Nathan Boersma

God Gathers Us in His Presence

Words of Welcome

- * Call to Worship
- * God's Greeting
- * Song: **Goodness of God**

God Renews Us in His Grace

Prayer of Confession and God's Assurance

Song: **Blessed Assurance** LUYH #363

Baptism of Luca and Rhett

Song: **He Knows My Name** LUYH #339

Children ages 3 – Grade 6 are dismissed to Sunday School

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: **Isaiah 62**

Message: **I Will Not Rest**

- * Song of Response: **Be Unto Your Name**

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 **Resonate Global Missions**. Etransfers may be sent to ecrcgiving@gmail.com

God Sends Us Out to Serve with His Blessing

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

After the final song, please have a seat to allow the Pastor along with Luca's and Rhett's families to exit the sanctuary.

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, September 17: Pastor Kevin DeRaaf will lead us in worship, and we will celebrate the baptism of Luca Heyink and Rhett Mulder

Sunday, September 24: Pastor Rick DeGraaf will lead us in worship

Sunday, October 1: Pastor Kevin teBrake will lead us in worship

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 is posted below:

September 17	Craig & Liv Branderhorst, Joanne Branderhorst, Nathan Branderhorst
September 24	Derek & Miranda Breukelman, Mike & Teresa Buckman
October 1	Aaron & Jolene deBoer and Ron & Rolinda deRuiter

From the Deacons

The offering this Sunday and the week ahead is for: **Resonate Global Missions**



September 24, 2023: Fellowship of Christian Farmers

October 1, 2023: Christian School Bursary Fund

October 8, 2023: World Renew

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

The offering will be taken as you leave the sanctuary at the end of 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.

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 through Grade 6)

Nursery and Sunday School programs will be available during the church service for those parents who wish their children 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
September 17	Sandra Ducharme	Kathryn Langendyk	October 8		
September 24	Marg Knip	Janelle Bouman	October 15		
October 1	Sheila Vanderlaan	Angela Nyman	October 22		

Good news, **Sunday School** will begin again TODAY, Sunday, September 17, 2023, for all ages. We will again collect money for the local Community Table each Sunday. This ministry is such a good way for our children to be able to bless others in our own community. Great News we were able to donate 287.20 to them this past spring. Great job kids. Note as well, there is a sign-up sheet for teachers on the table in front of the education wing. If you feel led to this ministry, we would love it if you could take a look at available slots and sign up for a time that works best for you. Thank you in advance for considering getting involved in this ministry. If you have any questions please reach out to Joy DeWeerd, Jody Mulder, or Joyce Pelley.

GEMS, Cadets, Youth Group

Cadets: A new season of Cadets has begun! Our theme this year is Rooted and Grounded. We will kick off the season on Oct 5, at 7:00pm. We will meet at Morrison Dam for some fishing and games. Feel free to bring a parent and a friend. Regular nights will be Thursdays from 7-9 at the church. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to talk to Derek Schreuders or Joe Lubbers.

GEMS Kick-Off and Registration Night for all girls born 2010-2014 (grades 4-8). Parents are asked to join the Kick-Off on **Monday, October 2/23 at 7:00pm** at the church and register their daughter(s) in-person. This will give you a chance to meet the leaders, hear about the plans for the year and have your questions answered. There will be refreshments. Girls are encouraged to bring a friend. Invite a neighbour, classmate or teammate to come out and see what GEMS is all about. Everyone welcome!

GEMS Planning Meeting will be Monday, September 25/23 at 7:00pm at the church. All leaders are asked to come out as we plan the year. Would you like to join the GEMS team? Please talk with Karen Knip for more information. We would love to have you join the Sisterhood of GEMS.

Exeter CRC Announcements

Office Hours: In Heather's absence her tasks will be completed by Sylvia Hulshof and Mel Van Soest. We are grateful for their willingness to help in this manner. They will be working from home and office hours will not be maintained. Emails will be checked in a timely manner but if you have any immediate concerns, please contact your elder. Please extend grace and kindness to everyone as they take on new tasks and things operate a little differently in the next few weeks. If all goes well Heather hopes to return to the office on November 7

Budget 2024. It's that time of year again that BOA prepares for next year's budget. Please forward your requests to Greg Langendyk at langendyk@icloud.com. Please submit by October 10, 2023.

Nursing Home Singers We will be singing at **Bluewater Rest Home** on **Tuesday, Sept. 19th at 6:45pm**. New members are always welcome! Contact Betty T with any questions.

Are You Interested in Making an Impact? World Renew – Young Adults Service Trip: A group of young adults is organizing a possible service trip through World Renew in 2024 likely to New Bern, North Carolina greatly impacted by Hurricane Florence in 2018. The week could occur during college/university reading week February 17-24, 2024, or the end of April/early May 2024. This depends on what works best for those interested. There would be minimal costs, and fundraising can cover travel, food, lodging and materials. No special construction skills are necessary, but if you have skills that would be welcomed. If you are over 18, interested in making an impact through Kingdom work, and enjoy working closely as a team, please contact Keanna teBrake at Keanna.tebrake9@gmail.com or text 519-709-3054 for more information.

From the CRCNA and the Broader Community

London Christian High Golf Tournament: Join us! The LCH golf tournament is scheduled for Friday, September 29 at 1:30 pm at Echo Valley Golf Course. Includes 18 holes of golf, cart & dinner. Visit our website for details, check out our sponsorship information or register your foursome. <https://londonchristianhigh.ca/event/golf-tournament-2023/>. Feel free to email golf@lchonline.ca with any questions.

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, November 18, 2023**, for **Huron Christian School's 36th Annual Auction**. Advertising, financial contribution, and donations of items or services would be greatly appreciated to make this event a successful fundraiser for HCS. What about supporting a local business and purchasing something from them to donate to the auction? Look out for more announcements in the next few weeks. If you have any questions, please contact auction@huronchristianschool.ca

One Care is looking for volunteers in Exeter to assist in delivery of meals to older adults, starting mid-September. If you would like more information, please call Grace at 1-877-502-8277 x 2001, or email ggowanlock@onecaresupport.ca

Global Coffee Break - Women's Retreat - Plan to join us for a weekend of refreshment and encouragement as we consider what it means to be looked on as "favored". This event is in Hickory Corners, Michigan, October 6-8 (Registration Deadline is September 22). <https://globalcoffeebreak.regfox.com/favored-michigan>

The Wingham & District Right to Life invites you to defend quietly and prayerfully the unborn in our Annual LIFE CHAIN. On **Sunday, Oct. 1**, from 2-3 p.m. People across the country will be gathering in their local cities and towns along the main street, quietly holding Pro-life signs which will be provided. **YOU** are invited to be a part of this important day. In keeping with this quiet, prayerful gathering, all participants will be socially distanced. We will be meeting at **Salvation Army Parking Lot, Josephine and Diagonal Road, Wingham, at 1:45 p.m.**

**Pray to End
Abortion.**
40 DAYS FOR LIFE

We will begin 40 Days of Prayer at the end of the Life Chain. Copies of the prayers are available at the Life Chain, from board members, or online at winghamright2life.com. Please join other pro-lifers in prayers for 40 days.