

Welcome to
DRESDEN CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service, April 30, 2017
GEMS SUNDAY

“Love Overflows”

Rev. John Moelker

* Please stand, if you are able

Welcome & Announcements

* Call to Worship

* Gathering Song: **LUYH # 897 What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

* God Greets Us

* Song of Praise: **LUYH # 559 Ten Thousand Reasons**

We Welcome Our Gems

Gems Sing: **“One Thing Remains”**

Gems Litany: “Love Overflows”

Leader: True love has one source—God. It’s who He is; it’s what He does. God’s love overflows!

GEMS: Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so!

Congregation: We are thankful that God’s goodness and love follow us—they chase after, pursue, hound, and woo us all the days of our lives! (Psalm 23:6)

Leader: Can you think of anything the world needs more than God’s love? Relationships are strained and broken. Words can cause damage and harm. And that’s the stuff close to home. Beyond our clubs and communities it’s more of the same.

ALL: Everyone needs God’s love!

Leader: And when we accept God’s pursuing love, it changes us. Receiving His love makes our love increase and overflow, too.

GEMS: May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else just as ours does for you (1 Thessalonians 3:12).

Congregation: Jesus said: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself” (Matthew 22:37-38).

ALL: Jesus said the greatest thing we can do is love God and love people—family, friends, and everyone else. From the overflow of His Love, we love!

Gems Sing: **“Be the Centre”** (congregation joins for last two verses)
“Jesus is All the World”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: To all who turn from sin in sorrow, to all who turn to God in hope, this is God’s Word of grace: We are accepted, we are forgiven, we are loved.

All: This gift we have from God. Thanks be to God.

Song of Assurance of Forgiveness: **LUYH # 691: Amazing Grace**



Morning Prayers of the People

Prayer for Illumination

Lord God, thank you for giving us the Bible. Thank you that through reading it we can learn more about you and learn to love you more. Send your Spirit to help us understand your Word and to help us grow in your love. For Jesus Sake, Amen

Scripture: "1 Thessalonians 3:12"

Message: "Love Overflows"

Prayer for Application

* Song of Response: **LUYH # 709: Jesus Loves Me**

Offering: **Operation Manna** -provides funding and consultation in support of local ministries

* There will be an offering received at the door by the GEMS.

* Benediction (based on 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13)

* Doxology: **LUYH # 965: Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow**

Postlude

Evening Worship Service

Rev. John Moelker

Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship: (based on Psalm 116: 12-19)

Pastor: What can we give back to God for all the good things He has done for us?

All: We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on his name!

We will offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving!

We will keep the promises we've made to God in the presence of all his people!

Pastor: Come, let us worship!

* Opening Prayer of Adoration (inspired by Psalm 92, Psalm 95, and Psalm 19:14)

* God Greets Us

* Opening Songs of Praise: **LUYH # 500: LORD, Our Lord, Your Glorious Name (Psalm 8)**

LUYH # 511: Amid the Thronging Worshipers (Psalm 22)

We Confess our Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 45: Q & A 116

Q. Why do Christians need to pray?

A. Because prayer is the most important part of the thankfulness God requires of us.¹

And also because God gives his grace and Holy Spirit only to those who pray continually and groan inwardly, asking God for these gifts and thanking God for them.

Song for Illumination of the Holy Spirit: **LUYH # 749: Spirit of the Living God**

Scripture: Psalm 116:1-4;12-19

Message: "The centrality of prayer in a life of thanksgiving"

Prayer for Application

Hymn of Application - **LUYH # 322: LORD I Need Thee**

Evening Prayers

Offering: **Wallaceburg Christian School** – provides biblically-based Christian education for students of elementary age

* Closing Song: **LUYH # 898: What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

* Benediction

* Doxology - **LUYH # 965: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**

Postlude

TO OUR VISITORS

We would love to get to know you! Please join us today in the Fellowship Hall after the service so we can meet you. If you are unable to, we pray that you will have a blessed day. If you would like to know more about our church and its programs, or if you are interested in knowing more about our Lord Jesus, please feel free to speak to our pastor, or to an elder/deacon serving this morning. You are also welcome to call or email us; the info is at the end of the bulletin. Thank you for joining us today.

CHURCH CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

MAY 1	MONDAY	7:15 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
MAY 2	TUESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
MAY 3	WEDNESDAY	7:00 p.m.	GEMS last night

NEXT WEEK

MAY 8	MONDAY	7:15 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
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UPCOMING SERVICES

May 7

10:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE - REV. JOHN HELLINGA

Offering: World Renew (Maternal and Child Health)- aids in improving the health of mothers and children through community-based health promotion, education and nutrition programs

6:30 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE - BARRY WRIGHT

Offering: Back to God Ministries - exists to share the Gospel in communities worldwide using radio, the Internet and other technology

May 14 **BAPTISM OF ASHER LEASK AND MARITA KRAMER** **MOTHER'S DAY**

10:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE - REV. JOHN MOELKER

Offering: Student Ministry Fund – provides financial aid for seminary students

6:30 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE - REV. JOHN MOELKER

Offering: UCB 89.3 Chatham -Christian music station that broadcasts in the Chatham Kent area

FAMILY CIRCLE



You are invited to celebrate the engagement of

DANIEL HOOYER & CYNTHIA BREYER
with cake after this morning's service.

Please join us as we as a congregation congratulate and encourage this couple.

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

HARRY DEVRIES: Our brother Harry's health continues to decline. Joanne and the family received some very disheartening news recently that it looks like Harry is nearing the end of his life. Harry will be entering the Chatham hospice as soon as a bed becomes available. So we again have to bear witness to the sad reality of dying and death, our last and final enemy. But in this sadness and sorrow, we have the same comfort that Harry professes. The comfort that "I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death to my faithful savior Jesus Christ." Joanne has been reading HC Q & A 1 to Harry a lot recently, and they have found great comfort in that truth. They and we know that Christ won the victory over death itself, and because Christ lives, Harry lives and we too live. May the truth of who we are in Christ sustain Harry, Joanne and Brian and all of us during this very difficult time. And may we, the body of Christ surround them with our prayers and love. Pastor John

Let's support one another. Each week three members/families will be written here for all of us to pray for. Please take the time to do this. Even though you may not know all that goes on in their lives, please pray for them.



PRAYER

Dustyn & Sarah (Joshua, Andrea, Kelli) Pumfrey

Fred & Joanie (Darren) Smids

Jasper & Erin (Kate, Simon, Jacob, Preston) Smids

"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." James 5:16

h a p p y b i r t h d a y

Wendy Goodreau 1st

Emily Wright 3rd

Bethany Hooyer, 4th

Madeline Goodreau 6th

Blessings to you as you celebrate your birthday this week!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A note from the finance committee: We have been running low on our funds the past few months and have been needing to use our overdraft. Please prayerful consider giving towards our budget to help meet our monthly expenses. Thank you.

VOTING FOR ELDER AND DEACON: Voting for new elder and deacons will take place May 21 after the morning service. Nominated for deacon are Tim Kramer and Brad Goodreau. Nominated for elder are Greg Devries and Wayne Hooyer. Outgoing council members are Keith Kramer and Brad VanDerEnde.

CRAFT NIGHT: Attention ladies of Dresden CRC make Thursday June 15th on your calendars. We will be having a ladies craft night to make something beautiful! Come out and enjoy a night of social, food and prizes. Cost is \$25. Watch the bulletin board for pictures of craft and sign up sheet. Think a friend would enjoy this? Invite them along. You MUST sign up for this event!

GALA DINNER in Support of Refugee Sponsorship: there is a fine dining experience planned at the church for **Saturday May 13**. The Refugee committee is planning an elegant evening featuring 5 courses of fine local food, live music and a program sharing information about refugee sponsorship in Dresden. Money raised will be in support of the work of the Dresden CRC Refugee Committee, and your help is needed to put the invitation out to the right people. Tickets are \$50 value but given free, and we hope to host a diverse group of people from around Dresden and Chatham-Kent who are interested in supporting refugee sponsorship financially and/or through helping the committee, or people who want to learn more about sponsorship in order to form their own groups. Contact Joseph Grootenboer or any committee member for more information or for tickets. Fill a table of 6 or more with your friends and colleagues for an unforgettable night out! Seating is limited.

LET'S START THE CONVERSATION! On May 24 at 7 pm we are inviting everyone to come to Grace free for a important documentary (<http://over18doc.com>). This video highlights the concerns that we should have with pornography and what is going on online under our very noses most important there will be resources to help families protect our children and grand children. Our hope is to help our community to be aware how to help our families thrive in a digital culture. After the documentary we are planning on having some community people available for questions (victim's services, counselors, and tech people) Nursery and babysitting will be provided. In regard to youth coming, as a general rule we'd recommend age 16+. We will be having a free will offering for victim services. The question is no longer if your child sees porn but what can you do when it happens. Let's get the conversation started. Any questions you can email speder1@live.com or contact Ryan VanEijkern 519-354-1375. Thank you! You can contact me at 519-354-1375 or email Ryan VanEijkern

GEMS
Girls' Clubs

act justly, love mercy,

walk humbly with God

IN HIS SERVICE

	April 30	May 7	May 14
Elder	Ernie Kramer	Keith Kramer	Fred Smids
Deacon	Brian Devries	Brad VanDerEnde	Luke VanDerVliet
Greeter(s)	GEMS	Brenda Goodreau, Jean Dupuis	Peter & Marianne VanderSpek
Musician(s)	a.m.	Heather Wright	Pat Nywening
	p.m.	Martha Hooyer	Pat Nywening
Children's Message	Mike Kramer	Mike Kramer	Rita Vriesema
Mother of Month	Eraina Grootenboer	Brittany Hooyer	Brittany Hooyer
Nursery Cleaning	Sara & Erin	Natasha & Janice	Natasha & Janice
Nursery Caregivers	a.m.	Martha Hooyer, Alison Pietens, Tristan Miller	Alisha Killoran, Brittany Hooyer, Natasha Kramer
	p.m.	Laurie Hooyer, Sara VanderVliet	Brenda Goodreau, Audrey Poppe
Coffee Clean Up	Doug & Wendy Goodreau, Joe & Eraina Grootenboer	Wayne & Martha Hooyer, Greg & Jen Devries	Scott & Hedy Kramer, Brian Devries
PowerPoint	Jen Devries	Natasha Kramer	Lexa Moelker
Sound am/pm	Dan Hooyer	Brian Hooyer	Jeff Smith
Projection am/pm	Sharon Pishl	Tim Kramer	Preston Poppe
Librarian	Hedy Kramer	Julia VanDerEnde	Julia VanDerEnde
Sunday School	Erin Smids, Eraina Grootenboer	Jenn Pietens, Veroninka Killoran	Jenn Pietens, Veroninka Killoran
Preschool			
SK/Gr. 1	Megan Kramer, Sydney Goodreau	Julia VanDerEnde, Emma Goodreau	Julia VanDerEnde, Emma Goodreau
Gr. 2/3	Rita Vriesema	Joe Grootenboer	Joe Grootenboer
Gr. 4/5	Jamie Killoran	Kaylene Kramer	Kaylene Kramer

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