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Welcome to

# *Dresden Christian Reformed Church*

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE NOVEMBER 19, 2017 10:00 A.M.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Rev. Jim Poelman

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*\* Please stand, if you are able*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*Call to Worship

We gather today to worship  
Our God, our shepherd, our refuge, our rest,  
We come to God alone,  
Out of another busy week of work,  
out of our struggles to be meaningful in our world,  
out of our desire to meet our God and know him  
as the center of our being,  
we come to the one who restores our souls.

### \*Gathering Hymn - # 532 ***Be Still for the Presence of the Lord***

### \*God Greet Us

To those who are called,  
who are beloved in God the Father  
and kept safe for Jesus Christ:  
May mercy, peace, and love be yours  
in abundance. Amen

### \*Opening Song of Praise - # 2 ***O Worship the King***

### Call to Confession

We cannot come before God  
unless we are first honest with ourselves:  
We foolishly prefer our own strength,  
when our God is all powerful.  
We prefer to go our own way  
rather than be led by our loving God  
We forget that we need a Shepherd,  
and close our ears to his voice.  
In the spirit of repentance let us offer our prayers to God

***~moment of silent confession~***

### Assurance of Pardon

God the Great Shepherd of his sheep

brings you new life,  
forgives and redeems you.  
Take hold of this forgiveness,  
and live your life in the Spirit of Jesus.

**Thanks be to God!**

Song of Confession - # **669** *How Blest are they whose Trespass*

Children's Message - Joanie Smids

Morning Prayers of the People

Song of Illumination - # **503** *As the Deer*

Scripture Reading - Psalm 23, John 10:1-21

Message: The Lord is My Shepherd

Hymn of Response - # **732** *The Lord, My Shepherd Rules My Life*

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

(Worship team will play **O Praise the Name**)

## **THE LORD'S SUPPER**

### **The Invitation**

Welcome to the feast of the Lord. Congregation of Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared his table for all who love him and trust in him alone for their salvation. All who are truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believe in the Lord Jesus as their Saviour, and who desire to live in obedience to him as Lord, are now invited to come with gladness to the table of the Lord.

### **\*The Thanksgiving**

*[The people stand.]*

Minister: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.**

Minister:

With joy we praise you, gracious Father,  
for you have created heaven and earth,  
made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—  
even when we fell into sin.

We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
who by his life, death, and resurrection  
opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we join our voices  
with all the saints and angels and the whole creation  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sing: **Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty...**  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty**  
**Early in the morning our songs shall rise to thee.**  
**Holy, holy, holy merciful and mighty,**  
**God in three persons, blessed Trinity**

*(please be seated)*

### **The Words of Institution**

Minister: We give thanks to God the Father that our Savior, Jesus Christ, before he suffered, gave us this memorial of his sacrifice, until he comes again. At his last supper, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it [*here the minister breaks the bread*] and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, he took the cup after supper [*here the minister pours the wine*] and said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me." For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes (*1 Corinthians 11:23-26*). Therefore we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

**People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

### **The Prayer of Consecration**

Minister: Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom. We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray,

**All: "Our Father in heaven . . . Amen."**

### **The Communion** (*Worship Team plays during distribution*)

Minister: Take, eat, remember, and believe that the body of our Lord Jesus Christ was given for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.  
Take, drink, remember, and believe that the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ was given for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.

### **Thanksgiving**

Praise the Lord, O my soul;  
**all my inmost being, praise his holy name.**  
Praise the Lord, O my soul,  
**and forget not all his benefits—**  
who forgives all your sins  
**and heals all your diseases,**  
who redeems your life from the pit  
**and crowns you with love and compassion.**  
Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,  
**to receive power and wealth**  
**and wisdom and strength**  
**and honor and glory and praise!**  
—*Psalm 103:1-4; Revelation 5:12, NIV*

Prayer after Communion

**All: Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the sacrament of his body and blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart.  
Through Christ, our Lord, Amen.**

Communion Offering - All sing: ***The Trees of the Field***

\*Closing Hymn - # **693 *Amazing Grace my Chains are Gone***

\*The Sending & Benediction:

As you leave this sanctuary today  
May you know the great shepherd who loves us,  
who leads us, and who will always give us everything we need.  
He has fed us at this table, go now to feed the hungry.  
He has set us free, go now to set the imprisoned free.  
As you have received, give.  
As you have heard, proclaim.  
And the blessing that you have received  
from Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
be with you always...and all God's people say **AMEN**

\*Doxology - ***Go Now In Peace***

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EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30 P.M.

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Welcome & Announcements

\*Call to Worship

We thank our Almighty God,  
that he has highly exalted  
his Son, Jesus Christ.

**Before him every knee shall bow  
and every tongue confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord.**

**He has made captivity itself a captive;  
and has given gifts to his people.**

We rejoice that Jesus Christ,  
the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,  
has triumphed most gloriously  
and is our Lord.

**We trust that our God  
will bring us at last into his holy presence,  
so that we can live and praise him  
together with all the saints  
forever and ever. Amen.**

*—based on Ephesians 4:8; Philippians 2:10-11; Hebrews 12:2*

\*Gathering Hymn - # **451 When Peace like a River**

\*God Greets Us

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and  
the Lord Jesus Christ,  
who gave himself for our sins to set us free  
from the present evil age,  
according to the will of our God and Father,  
to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen

\*Song of Praise - # **453 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds**

Scripture Reading - Acts 16: 16-21

Video Session Three - *The Powers of Darkness*

Points to ponder this week:

Our battle is not against people or institutions, even though they may be evil.  
The battle is always against Satan and his demons.  
Paul took back a child from the powers of the evil one. It would cost him.  
Will we do the same? The battle wages on against the strong man -  
we need consider our role in taking back for God's kingdom  
that which Satan has claimed as his own.

Although we seldom are confronted by someone who is demon possessed, we live in a world of two kingdoms and are enticed by the self-serving interests of the kingdom of the Evil One every day. Do we walk in the ways of God's shalom? Which sin enslaves us? Or do we choose for self and ignore the needs of those suffering from the forces of evil?

Do we ignore our commitment to bring the gospel of restoration, healing, freedom and hope to a broken world? There are still many forms of slavery in this world.

Do we stand up for those who are held down by evil forces?

Let's read Philippians 2:3-5.

How far will you go to be like Jesus so that others will see what the Kingdom of Heaven looks like when it reigns on earth?

\*Song of Application - # **776 A Mighty Fortress is Our God**

Evening Prayers of the People with requests

Offering - **SHALEM** - provides anonymous professional counselling to congregants at no charge, available through the Congregational Assistance Plan (CAP program)

\*We confess our faith

**I am called a Christian  
because by faith I am a member of  
Christ  
and so I share in his anointing.  
I am anointed  
to confess his name,  
to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks,  
to strive with a free conscience against  
sin and the devil  
in this life,  
and afterward to reign with Christ  
over all creation**

**for all eternity.  
We call him "our Lord"  
because—  
not with gold or silver,  
but with his precious blood—  
he has set us free  
from sin and from the tyranny of the  
devil,  
and has bought us,  
body and soul,  
to be his very own.**  
*—from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A's 32, 34*

\*The Sending

God did not give us a spirit that makes us afraid;  
He gave us a Spirit of power, and love, and self control.  
May God go before you to lead you.  
May God go behind you to guard you.  
May God go beneath you to support you.  
May God go beside you to befriend you.  
Do not be afraid.

Let the blessing of God—the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit—  
come upon you today and settle in around you.

Do not be afraid.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. and all God's people say **Amen**

\*Doxology- **Victory in Jesus**

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## 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 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.

## Upcoming Services

### November 26

**10:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE - REV. PHIL APOLL**

**Offering: Diaconate** –helps our local deacons support those in need in our community

**6:30 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE (VIDEO SERIES BY REV. RAY VANDERLAAN)**

**Offering: Mwaya & Munyiva Wa Kitavi** – missionaries

### December 3

**10:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE – BARRY WRIGHT**

**Offering: Right to Life Kent** -helping to protect the gift of life in our community

**6:30 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE – following our church family Christmas dinner  
LESSONS & CAROLS, CHILDREN’S STORY READING**

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

## Church Calendar

*This week*

**Nov. 21 TUESDAY**

9:30 a.m. Ladies Society  
7:00 p.m. Women’s Bible Study  
7:00 p.m. Cadets

## Family Circle

Let’s support one another. Each week two 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

**Richard & Michelle VanGorkum**  
**Bob & Rita Vriesema**

*“This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.”*  
1 John 5:14

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November 24 Peter VanderSpek, 24 Clarence Nywening, 25 Brad Goodreau

*Blessings to you as you celebrate your birthday this week!*

## Announcements

The **WORSHIP COMMITTEE** invites you to attend this evening's DVD presentation by Rev. Ray VanderLaan, through the '**That the World May Know**' series titled **A CLASH OF KINGDOMS**. Last week we were introduced to the historical context in which God's Kingdom came to life in Philippi. This week we witness the reaction of another kingdom that already existed there. It is estimated that as many as one out of every three persons were slaves during the height of the Roman Empire. Tonight we see how the evil one uses a poor, damaged, enslaved child to threaten Paul's proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ in session three titled The Powers of Darkness. Please join us this evening for this enlightening series!

### FINANCE:

#### TOTAL COLLECTIONS

Home and World Missions	270.06
Back to God Ministries	133.00
Sunday School	179.36
Budget	5800.00
NeighbourLink	150.00
WCS Bus Fund	1000.00
World Renew	100.00
Dresden Food Bank	100.00
Teen Challenge	100.00
TOTAL	\$7,832.42

### UPCOMING EVENTS

⇒ Annual Church Family Christmas Dinner

*Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 p.m.*

⇒ Ugly Christmas Sweater Party

*Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.*

**Sign up sheets for the above events are in the hall.**

⇒ Dresden CRC families, we will be having family swims this winter so please mark these down on your calendars. They are free of charge and brought to you by the Rec Committee:

- Sunday January 7<sup>th</sup> 4-5:30pm Family Swim at the Wallaceburg District Pool
- Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup> 4-5:30pm Family Swim at the Wallaceburg District Pool

**LADIES SOCIETY** is this Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. Martha Luth has the second half of lesson 3 and Sandra DeVries the free topic.

### WALLACEBURG CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

God has blessed the Wallaceburg Christian School for 56 years. Our community takes pride in the three cord partnership of church, home and school as we raise up the next generation of young believers together. Recently, His refuge was present when one of our school buses was in an accident. We give God praise that He kept everyone safe, including the driver of the other vehicle. While our students remained safe and without serious harm, we cannot say the same about the bus. We look to God once again for His provisions as we begin a campaign to raise the funds for buses. Please pray about supporting our school monetarily so we can make this purchase possible. Praise and glory be given to the One from whom all good things come, Christ.

### CHATHAM CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

- Chatham Christian School (CCS) is looking for vibrant, energetic and qualified **supply teachers and support workers** (PSW/EA). CCS strives to provide Christ-centred learning for God's glory and we are looking for teachers and support workers who embody this vision. We have areas of need throughout our JK-12 school and in particular our high



school subject areas. If you are interested in applying please contact Ken VanMinnen at kenvanminnen@chathamchristian.ca with your resume and statement of faith.

- **Annual Bazaar:** CCS will be holding its annual Bazaar on Friday, November 24th. Games, bake/produce tables and silent auction open at 4:30 pm. Dinner can be purchased between 4:30 and 6:30 pm followed immediately by a live auction and movies (for the kids). This is an evening of fun for the whole family! If you would like to volunteer for this event, please contact the office at 519-352-4980. We hope to see you there!

JOY TO THE WORLD; The **Chatham Kent Christian Men's Choir** invites the community to a concert in anticipation of the Christmas season at First Presbyterian Church, Wellington Street, Chatham, on Saturday, December 2, beginning with a carol singalong at 6:45. A free will offering will be used to support the BACKYARD MISSION, a joint mission project of First Presbyterian Church and First Christian Reformed Church. Scheduled groups include the CK Singers, Chuck Zuidema, Mercy (gospel trio from Lambton County), Willem Ligthart (local organist) and the First Presbyterian Church Praise Team.

## *In His Service*

	<b>November 19</b>	<b>November 26</b>	<b>December 3</b>
<b>Elder</b>	Fred Smids	Ernie Kramer	Greg Devries
<b>Deacon</b>	Luke Van Der Vliet	Brian Devries	Brad Goodreau
<b>Greeter(s)</b>	Elders	Jamie & Alisha Killoran	Joe & Eraina Grootenboer
<b>Musician(s)</b>	<b>a.m.</b> Worship band	Heather Wright	Anita Poppe
	<b>p.m.</b> Sarah Pumfrey	Martha Hooyer	Wendy Goodreau
<b>Children's Message</b>	Joanie Smids	Megan Kramer	Megan Kramer
<b>Mother of Month</b>	Hedy Kramer	Hedy Kramer	Sara VanderVliet
<b>Nursery Cleaning</b>	Alisha & Hedy	Alisha & Hedy	Brittany & Sara
<b>Nursery Caregivers</b>	<b>a.m.</b> Brad VanderEnde, Bethany Hooyer, Chris Kramer	Sara VanderVliet, Laurie Hooyer, Tristan Miller	Audrey Poppe, Shawn Hooyer, Nicole Kramer
	<b>p.m.</b> Martha Hooyer, Alisha Killoran	Natasha Kramer, Brian Hooyer	Brittany Hooyer, Rachel Goodreau
<b>Coffee Clean Up</b>	Mike & Nicole Kramer, Brad & Rachel Goodreau	Doug & Wendy Goodreau, Joe & Eraina Grootenboer	Wayne & Martha, Greg & Jen Devries
<b>PowerPoint</b>	Natasha Kramer	Marg Bruinsma	Jen Devries
<b>Sound am/pm</b>	Shawn Hooyer	Brian Hooyer	Brian Hooyer
<b>Projection am/pm</b>	Chris Kramer	Sharon Pishl	Tim Kramer
<b>Librarian</b>	Hedy Kramer	Hedy Kramer	Julia VanderEnde
<b>Sunday School Preschool</b>	Erin Smids, Eraina Grootenboer	Alisha Killoran, Emma Goodreau	Alisha Killoran, Megan Devries
<b>SK/Gr. 1</b>	Megan Kramer	Jasper Smids, Lauren Wright	Jasper Smids, Lauren Wright
<b>Gr. 2/3</b>	Rita Vriesema	Joe Grootenboer	Joe Grootenboer
<b>Gr. 4/5</b>	Jamie Killoran	Mike Kramer	Mike Kramer

# Contact Info

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**Bulletin announcements:**

Please submit them by noon on Thursday to the **church email** or call Janice Hooyer at home. Thanks.

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