



Welcome to
Dresden Christian Reformed Church

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
December 3, 2017 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Barry Wright

** Please stand, if you are able*

Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn - **LUYH #56 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"**

*God Greets Us

*Opening Song of Praise - **"Shine, Jesus Shine"**

Call to Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Assurance - **LUYH #95 "What Child is This"**

God's Will for our Lives

Children's Message – Megan Kramer (*afterwards children ages 3 to grade 1 may leave for Sunday school*)

Morning Prayers of the People

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture - Mark 13: 24-37

Message - "Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again!"

Prayer for Application

*Song of Application – **LUYH #503 "As the Deer"**

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

*The Sending & Blessing

*Closing Hymn - **LUYH #61 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs. 1, 3, 5)**

*Benediction

*Doxology - **LUYH #61 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs. 6 & 7)**

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30 P.M.

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Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship: Psalm 98:1-4

*Gathering Song - **# 76 O Come, All Ye Faithful**

*God's Greeting: Revelation 1:4-5

*Carol: **# 82 Angels We Have Heard on High**

The 1st Lesson - Nicole Kramer

Lesson: Luke 2:1-7

After this stupendous wonder of God, we see the true nature of Christ's kingdom revealed in those who first beheld him and in the humble surroundings of his birth. He was not adored by throngs of millions, thousands, or even hundreds, but by some shepherds who happened to be in an adjacent field. He was not first visited by the powerful, the influential, the important, but by the least of this world. And when the angel told them where to find this child, it was not on a throne or in a palace, but "enthroned" in a trough, wrapped in the swaddling cloths of an ordinary baby! Truly, he who was rich became poor for our sake, so that we by his poverty might become rich (2 Cor. 8:9).

Carol: **# 86 Away in A Manger**

The 2nd Lesson - Mike Kramer

Lesson: John 1:1-14

This "grace" that "came through Jesus Christ" (John 1:17)—grace that forgives the sins of a misspent past, the struggles of the present, and the sins of the future—is offered to all who by faith unite themselves to the humiliation, lowliness, suffering, and shame of the One who came from heaven to earth, that we might rise from earth to heaven. Amen. Thanks be to God!

*Carol: **# 92 Joy to the World!**

Children's Story - *"All is Well"* Author Frank Peretti Illustrated by Gary Glover
- read by Elder Greg Devries

*Carol - **# 85 Silent Night! Holy Night!**

Evening Prayers of the People with requests

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

*We Confess our Faith

Our only hope is Jesus Christ

**Who, out of love, came to a stable in Bethlehem
to become one with us.**

**In love He walked the plains and hills of Galilee and Judea
to teach us how to live.**

**In love was nailed to a cross on Calvary
to bear away our sin.**

**In love He rose from a tomb in Joseph's garden
to defeat death's power over us.**

**In love ascended beyond the clouds
to be our reigning Lord.
Jesus came to love us so that we need never feel
unloved, deserted, alone, condemned.
This is our hope, now and forever.**

*The Sending:

God the Father, who loved the world
so much that he sent his only Son,
give you grace to prepare for eternal life.
God the Son, who comes to us as Redeemer and Judge,
reveal to you the path from darkness to light.
God the Holy Spirit, by whose working
the virgin Mary conceived the Christ,
help you bear the fruits of holiness...and all God's children say **AMEN**

*Doxology - # **84 Ere Zij God**

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

December 10

10:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE – PETER HOYTEMA

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

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

Offering: Dresden Food Bank – provides food and other personal items for those in need

December 17

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

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

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

Offering: Redeemer University/College – provides a liberal arts & sciences university education and seeks to express Christ in the classroom, programs, services, and other facets of the university

Church Calendar

This week

Dec. 5	TUESDAY	9:30 a.m.	Ladies Society
		7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
		7:00 p.m.	Cadets
Dec. 9	SATURDAY	7:30 p.m.	Ugly Christmas Sweater Party (Adults only)

Family Circle

ADDRESS FOR JEFF SMITH: Jeff's address at Teen Challenge is Teen Challenge c/o Jeff Smith, 1446 Great Northern Road, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6B 0C1. Please consider sending cards and notes of encouragement to Jeff. Thanks to those who have already done so.

PRAYER JAR: Many names have been placed in the prayer jar. They are the names of sons, daughters, grandchildren, siblings, neighbours and friends. Our prayer is that these loved ones will come to acknowledge Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. The candle beside the jar will be lit when one of these individuals comes to know Jesus as his/her Saviour. If you have received an answer to your prayer, and would like the candle lit, please inform elder Ernie Kramer, of this wonderful news. The jar is a visual reminder for all of us to pray daily, even though we may be unaware of the names that have been placed in it.

Let's support one another. Each week two members/families will be written here for all of us to pray for.



PRAYER

Please take the time to do this. Even though you may not know all that goes on in their lives, please pray for them.

**Pastor Andrew & Ingrid (Jeremiah, Adriaan, Lenn) Zomerman
Bill & Irene Armstrong**

*"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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December 7 Alisha Killoran

Blessings to you as you celebrate your birthday this week!

Announcements

LADIES SOCIETY is this Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. Audrey Poppe will lead lesson 4 and Christina Kloostra has the free topic.

Also, the following Tuesday, the 12th, we will have our Christmas program. All ladies are invited to come!

ADVENT COFFEE TIME - Please contact Anita Poppe if you would like to provide some treats for coffee time this Advent season. The dates are December 10, 17, and 24. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

⇒ Ugly Christmas Sweater Party

This Saturday, December 9th at 7:30 p.m.

Sign up sheet is 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 7th 4-5:30pm Family Swim at the Wallaceburg District Pool
- Sunday February 25th 4-5:30pm Family Swim at the Wallaceburg District Pool

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 qualified and vibrant teachers at the high school level. CCS is a school that strives for a Christ-centred education for a life full of Christ-like service. In particular, the high school is looking for an **English teacher and a Biology teacher** to start in second semester (late January). If interested, please send your resume and statement of faith to Ken VanMinnen at kenvanminnen@chathamchristian.ca by December 18th, 2017.
- Chatham Christian School (CCS) is seeking a qualified, energetic and reliable **administrative assistant**. This is a part-time position (40-50%), covering a maternity leave, starting January 8th, 2018. Some of the main responsibilities would

be: school attendance, school records maintenance, answering the phones and greeting visitors. Preferences would be skills related to design tasks and a comfort with social media, as well. If you are interested in this position, then please forward your resume and statement of faith to Ken VanMinnen

at kenvanminnen@chathamchristian.ca

by December 15, 2017. Only those candidates who receive an interview will be contacted.

- 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.

DEAR FRIENDS AT DRESDEN CRC,

Thank you for your generous gift towards the ministry of **Resonate Global Mission**—your congregation is making a difference and building up the global church! We recognize that with these gifts also come the prayers of God's people. Your congregation's giving in the amount of \$414.05 to Resonate: East Africa Theological Education Scholarships is changing lives and communities. We are grateful to have partners in ministry like you. Your partnership with Resonate means that your congregation is joining God on mission. Through missionaries, church planters, and ministry leaders here in Canada and around the world, you are having an eternal impact. The work of missionaries and church planters has grown the church in amazing ways, but this work isn't finished yet! More than 1.5 billion people still have not heard the gospel. Together with you, we are continuing to build up God's church—planting churches and supporting ministry in Canada as well as sending missionaries around the globe to share the good news—to the ends of the earth. Thank you for joining us in living out the gospel.

In His Service

	December 3	December 10	December 17
Elder	Greg Devries	Fred Smids	Ernie Kramer
Deacon	Brad Goodreau	Luke Van Der Vliet	Brian Devries
Greeter(s)	Joe & Eraina Grootenboer	Luke & Sara VanderVliet	Mike & Nicole Kramer
Musician(s)	a.m. Anita Poppe	Worship band	Brian & Brittany Hooyer
	p.m. Wendy Goodreau	Sarah Pumfrey	Martha Hooyer
Children's Message	Megan Kramer	Mike Kramer	Mike Kramer
Mother of Month	Sara VanderVliet	Sara VanderVliet	Sara VanderVliet
Nursery Cleaning	Brittany & Sara	Brittany & Sara	Brittany & Sara
Nursery Caregivers	a.m. Audrey Poppe, Shawn Hooyer, Nicole Kramer	Erin Smids, Luke VanderVliet, Jamie Killoran	Tim Kramer, Joe Grootenboer, Megan Kramer
	p.m. Brittany Hooyer, Rachel Goodreau	Jodi Miller, Janice Hooyer	Scott Kramer, Eraina Grootenboer
Coffee Clean Up	Wayne & Martha, Greg & Jen Devries	Scott & Hedy Kramer, Brian Devries	Ed & Laurie Hooyer, Preston & Anita Poppe
PowerPoint	Jen Devries	Natasha Kramer	Marg Bruinsma
Sound am/pm	Michael Pishl	Kees Poppe	Brian Hooyer
Projection am/pm	Tim Kramer	Preston Poppe	Brad VanderEnde
Librarian	Julia VanderEnde	Julia VanderEnde	Julia VanderEnde
Sunday School Preschool	Alisha Killoran, Megan Devries	Emily Wright, Veronika Killoran	Emily Wright, Veronika Killoran
SK/Gr. 1	Jasper Smids, Lauren Wright	Julia VanderEnde, Kate Smids	Julia VanderEnde, Kate Smids
Gr. 2/3	Joe Grootenboer	Hedy Kramer	Hedy Kramer
Gr. 4/5	Mike Kramer	Tim Kramer	Tim 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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