
Welcome to
Dresden Christian Reformed Church

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

February 18, 2018 10:00 a.m. Rev. Andrew Zomeran

** Please stand, if you are able*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of heaven and earth,
you call us to come in humility before you,
bringing the offering of our very selves.

As you revealed Jesus to be your Son
in his baptism at the hand of John,
so you claimed our lives in baptism,
that we might die to sin
and be raised with him to new life.

By your Spirit, confirm in our hearts the witness
that Christ is Savior of the world and our Lord.

**Accept all we have and are, O God,
in the service of Jesus Christ,
and strengthen us with your Spirit's power,
now and forever. Amen**

GATHERING HYMN - LUYH #859 *Be Thou My Vision

***GOD GREETUS 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

SONG OF PRAISE - LUYH # 743 *O God, You Are My God

CALL TO CONFESSION

Seeing that we have a great High Priest
who has entered the inmost heaven, Jesus the Son of God,
let us therefore approach the throne of grace with fullest confidence,
that we may receive mercy for our failures
and grace to help in the hour of need.
In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION IN UNISON:

**God of all mercy,
in our baptisms you have marked us as your own;
you have given us a new identity
and made us part of the body of Christ.
In doing so, you have called us to rise to new life
and to live together in community.
However, we have not been faithful to your call.
We have forged our own identity
and held to destructive habits.
We confess we have failed to welcome others,
broken bonds we have had with brothers and sisters,
and served ourselves more than you.
Forgive us, we pray, for the sake of Christ, our Savior. Amen**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear the good news!
Though we are unworthy,
we are granted God's favor in Jesus Christ
and are baptized into the church of his beloved Son.
Friends, believe the good news!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Hallelujah!

SONG OF CONFESSION - LUYH # 360 *Amazing Love

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MORNING PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION IN UNISON:

**Your voice, O God,
is powerful and majestic,
strengthening and blessing your people with peace.
By your Spirit help us to hear today
the majesty and blessing of your voice. Amen**

SCRIPTURE - Luke 3:1-20

MESSAGE - John the Baptist points to Jesus

PRAYER FOR APPLICATION

SONG OF APPLICATION - # 43 *Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer

OFFERING Teen Challenge – “is a faith-based, residential alcohol and drug addiction rehabilitation program with centers located across Canada”

***BENEDICTION**

May the Holy Spirit of God,
who at Jordan's riverside

descended upon the Father's well-loved Son, Jesus Christ,
and empowered him to obey God's will,
now rest upon you.
May the Spirit give you courage and strength
to turn away from sin,
to obey God's will,
and to proclaim the coming reign of God.
May the triune God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you and keep you always...and all God's children say **Amen**

DOXOLOGY - # 959 *Glory Be to the Father

There is Sunday School for Grades 2-5 following the service.

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30 p.m.

** Please stand, if you are able*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever.
Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
those he redeemed from trouble
and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.
Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to an inhabited town;
hungry and thirsty,
their soul fainted within them.
Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress;
he led them by a straight way,
until they reached an inhabited town.
**Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.
For he satisfies the thirsty,
and the hungry he fills with good things.**

HYMN OF PRAISE - # *Jesus Loves Me

***GOD GREETUS US**

You whom I took from the ends of the earth,
and called from its farthest corners,
saying to you, "You are my servant,

I have chosen you and not cast you off";
do not fear, for I am with you,
do not be afraid, for I am your God;
I will strengthen you, I will help you,
I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.
May grace and peace be yours in abundance
in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. Amen

SONG OF FAITH - # 659 *Nearer Still Nearer

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION IN UNISON:

Triune God, thank you for your Word to us.

May it deepen our faith, comfort us, and challenge us

so that we may grow in our love for you and each other.

In the name of Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen

SCRIPTURE - Romans 8:28,29

MESSAGE - What is Your Comfort?

PRAYER FOR APPLICATION

HYMN OF APPLICATION - # 322 *I Need Thee Every Hour

EVENING PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE WITH REQUESTS

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

***WE PROFESS OUR FAITH**

My only comfort in life and in death is

that I am not my own,

but belong—

body and soul,

in life and in death—

to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,

and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.

He also watches over me in such a way

that not a hair can fall from my head

without the will of my Father in heaven:

in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him,

Christ, by his Holy Spirit,

assures me of eternal life

and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready

from now on to live for him.

—from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 1

*BENEDICTION

May God himself,
the God who makes everything holy and whole,
make you holy and whole,
put you together—spirit, soul, and body—
and keep you fit for the coming of our Master, Jesus Christ.
The one who called you is completely dependable.
If he said it, he'll do it! ...and all God's people say **Amen** —1 Thessalonians 5:23-24, TM

*DOXOLOGY # 590 vs. 1-3 Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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 Pastor Andrew or 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

February 25

10:00 A.M. **WORSHIP SERVICE – REV. ANDREW ZOMERMAN**

Offering: Denominational Service

6:30 P.M. **WORSHIP SERVICE – REV. ANDREW ZOMERMAN**

Offering: Christian Horizons -empowering people with exceptional needs, and enabling them to embrace their God given potential

March 4

10:00 A.M. **WORSHIP SERVICE – REV. ANDREW ZOMERMAN**

Offering: World Renew (Disaster Response) -helps communities prepare for and recover from disasters

6:30 P.M. **WORSHIP SERVICE – REV. ANDREW ZOMERMAN**

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

Church Calendar

This week

Feb. 19	MONDAY	7:00 p.m.	Council meeting (rescheduled from Feb. 15)
Feb. 20	TUESDAY	9:30 a.m.	Ladies Society
		7:00 p.m.	Cadets
		7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
Feb. 22	THURSDAY	7:00 p.m.	Annual Church Meeting

Family Circle

Please continue to keep **Joan Poppe** in prayer as she deals with her injuries. May God give her strength during this time.

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

February 18 Martha Luth, **20** Nolan Poppe, **21** Reuben Killoran, **24** Simon Smids

Blessings to you as you celebrate your birthday this week!

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.

Bill & Christina Kloostra

Chris & Natasha (Max) Kramer

"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

Announcements

We are in need of a **Sunday school teacher** for after church for the oldest group. Please call Al-isha if you can help out! Thank you.

LADIES SOCIETY

Ladies Society is this Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. Ruby has the lesson and Joanne the free topic. All ladies welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ⇒ **Free church family swim** at the Wallaceburg District pool this winter
 - Sunday, February 25 from 4:00 - 5:30p.m.
- ⇒ **March break pizza party**
 - Friday, March 16 at 6:00p.m.
 - Party and family games night.
 - More details to come!
- ⇒ **Ladies Craft night**
 - Saturday April 14. Samples shown on facebook event. Invite your friends.
 - Cost is \$35. This is a MUST SIGN UP event. More details to come.

You're invited to **RIGHT TO LIFE KENT'S 44TH ANNUAL BANQUET** on Tuesday, April 10th at

6:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall in Blenheim. Come and enjoy a delicious meal catered by Casa Bella, take part in the 50/50 Draw, and listen to the inspiring Lia Mills, a young Canadian pro-life activist and YouTube sensation. Tickets are available for \$35.00 per person (\$25.00 for youth: 25 years and younger) at our office on 39 Grand Ave. W, in Chatham until April 2nd. For more information, call Cynthia at 519-352-3611.

NeighbourLink is once again Chatham's host charity for the annual **COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR** walk. We are still putting together teams that can walk a 2, 5 or 10 km route on Saturday, February 24, 2018. The money raised will go toward helping NeighbourLink continue with its work in helping the hungry, homeless and hurting in Chatham-Kent. To print off a pledge form and waiver or to sign up for the walk either as an individual or a team, please go to www.cnoy.org. You can also call the NeighbourLink office at 519-352-5647 if you need help in doing this. To find out more about NeighbourLink' ministry in Chatham-Kent, please visit our web page at www.neighbourlinkck.com.

In His Service

	February 18	February 25	March 4
Elder	Ernie Kramer	Greg Devries	Fred Smids
Deacon	Brian Devries	Brad Goodreau	Luke VanderVliet
Greeter(s)	Brian & Brittany Hooyer	Preston & Anita Poppe	
Musician(s)	a.m. Anita Poppe	Brian & Brittany Hooyer	
	p.m. Martha Hooyer	Marg Bruinsma	
Mother of Month	Brittany Hooyer		
Nursery Cleaning	Natasha & Eraina		
Nursery Caregivers	a.m. Bethany Hooyer, Natasha Kramer, Brian Hooyer	Audrey Poppe, Shawn Hooyer, Nicole Kramer	Erin Smids, Luke VanderVliet, Janice Hooyer
	p.m. Rachel Goodreau, Pat Nywening	Brittany Hooyer, Jamie Killoran	Jodi Miller, Eraina Grootenboer
Coffee Clean Up	Tristan & Jodi Miller, Chris & Natasha Kramer	Simon & Marg Bruinsma, Luke & Sara VanderVliet	
PowerPoint	Marg Bruinsma	Natasha Kramer	
Sound am/pm	Brian Hooyer	Michael Pishl	
Projection am/pm	Chris Kramer	Sharon Pishl	
Librarian	Megan Kramer	Megan Kramer	
Sunday School Preschool	Alisha Killoran, Emma Goodreau	Alisha Killoran, Emma Goodreau	
	Jasper Smids Lauren Wright	Jasper Smids Lauren Wright	
Gr. 2/3	Joe Grootenboer	Joe Grootenboer	
Gr. 4/5	Mike Kramer	Mike Kramer	

Contact Info

Pastor: Rev. Andrew Zomerman

Church Phone: 519-683-4443

Home: 519-304-2833

Cell: 519-365-0019

Email: pastorandrewzomerman@gmail.com

Church Office:

Janice Hooyer

Church Phone: 519-683-4443

Email: dresdencrc@gmail.com

Bulletin announcements:

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

Church Address:

956 Mooney Street, P.O. Box 418,

Dresden, ON NOP 1M0

Website: www.dresdencrc.org