### VOLUNTEER LIST

	19-Dec	25-Dec	26-Dec	02-Jan	
SERVICE ELDER	John M, Neil V	Neil V, Chris J	Chris J, Andrew D	Andrew D, Mike L	
DEACON	<b>DEACON</b> Anjo N.		Claude H.	Andy V.	
FRONT DOOR	Joanne H.	Christine / Neil V.	Jason S.	Lindsey & Alie D.	
COFFEE	On Hold				
MUSICIAN	Jess M	Pam/Siena	Tanya	Pam/Siena	
PROJECTOR	Chris	Tony	John	Josh	
LIVE STREAM	Mark	Mark	Sharon	Sharon	
SOUND	Anjo	Neil			
JUNIOR (*bring snack)	Siena, Thomas*, Ben			Crystal, Emma*, Jason	
1/2				Christine/Juanita	
3/4		<b>Christmas holiday</b>	<b>Christmas holiday</b>	Erin	
4/5	No Sunday School			Jessica	
5/6				Derrick	
7/8				Dan	
NURSERY	Nancy D, Shannon	Janet N, Katie D	Erin V, Nicole J	J Jenn W, Annika W	

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	19-Dec	20-Dec	21-Dec	22-Dec	23-Dec	24-Dec	25-Dec
This	2nd	Kooistra		. Kooistra			
	collection:	65th open		65th open			
	Community	house 10-		house 10-			
	Food Share	12, 2-4		12, 2-4			
	26-Dec	27-Dec	28-Dec	29-Dec	30-Dec	31-Dec	01-Jan
Next	2nd					Doodling for	
	collection:					Deadline for	
	World					SoCo beach	
	Renew					application	

### December 19, 2021 | 9:30 am

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### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Pastor Gregg Lawson

### Welcome & Call to Worship Silent Prayer

M82 Come, People of the Risen King

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent: Love

John 3:16-19

### **Worship Song**

579 Immortal, Invisible, God only wise

# Confession & Assurance Special Music

Child of the poor / What child is this

# **Children's Moment: Candy Cane**

Junior and ½ Children dismissed for Sunday School

### **Offering & Announcements**

Congregational Prayer Song of Preparation M70 Thy Word

dinting and Man

## **Scripture and Message**

Advent then and now. Where? Micah 5:2, Revelation 21:1-4

### Song of Response

76 O Come, All ye faithful

**Benediction:** Psalm 72

### **Blessing and Doxology**

93 Go tell it on the mountain

### PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- We continue to pray for Gertie DeJong who's procedure this week was delayed
- We pray for Gerrit Westervelt and family as Gerrit has been diagnosed with cance
- May we shine the light of Christ everywhere we go, especially to those we are in close contact with.
- We pray for the churches of our community and our classis in this season of advent as they present the Christmas story of light and love in these times.
- We pray for protection and grace as news continues to come out of another COVID variant. We pray as more restrictions are once again put in place that we can be faithful and safe.
- We pray that God would remind us of all that we have this Christmas, that we would be reminded of Jesus, the gift of the season, the fulfillment of all our needs, has been given to us
- We pray for those in our community and our church for whom Christmas is a time of loneliness and isolation.

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT SERVICE: The YOUTH GROUP invites you all to the Candlelight Service next Sunday, Dec 19, at 6pm where we will remember with Scripture and songs the people and places of Christmas.

Pastor Joe is preaching in Cornwall this morning as they are without a pastor.

### **OFFERINGS**

#### THIS WEEK: COMMUNITY FOOD SHARE

(formerly Dundas County Food Bank) is a registered charity created to help fight hunger in our community. Community Food Share operates from two locations which are open three times a week and a food cupboard open one day a week. We serve over 350 families, representing more than 1,000 people, 40% of whom are children. Our programs are supported through generous donations from individuals, businesses, churches and service organizations in the community.

#### **NEXT WEEK: WORLD RENEW**

Compelled by God's passion for justice and mercy, World Renew (General Fund) joins communities around the world to renew hope, reconcile lives, and restore creation. World Renew responds to disasters in North America and in 27 developing countries. It works in 24 of these and other countries in sustainable transformation; it coordinates thousands of local and international volunteers; it encourages advocacy initiatives; and it helps build the capacity of impoverished communities by working with 76 faith-based and government organizations around the world. Last year, it touched the lives of 1.75 million people in more than 4,050 poor communities. https://worldrenew.ca.

### **HOLIDAY SERVICES**

Dec 19	Dec 19 Candlelight	
Dec 25	Christmas	9:30 am
Dec 26	Regular	9:30 am
Dec 31	New Years	7:00 pm
lan 2	New Year & LS	0.30 am

DEC 19 CANDELIGHT SERVICE: DUNDAS COUNTY HOSPICE Dundas County Hospice exists to provide both practical and emotional support to individuals and families in North and South Dundas who are dealing with a life-threatening illness, allowing them to remain in their community. Their programs and services complement those provided by other agencies. They are about living and celebrating life, not death. It's not a matter of taking away hope, it's a matter of reframing hope.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BUDGET ENVELOPES** for 2022 have been placed in your mailboxes at the church. All those doing profession of faith during the last year and those transferring in will also receive envelopes. If you did not receive one but would like one, please contact the clerk.

**REMINDER TO CHECK YOUR MAILBOXES:** Pastor Gregg is at the church mornings from Tues to Fri until noon and frequently in the afternoon as well. Please stop in and get your mail. If you know of someone who is not getting out much, ask them if you can retrieve their mail.

CRAFTY CONNECTIONS & TALK

**TUESDAY** sessions will resume in the new year. An announcement will be in the bulletin.

TCS CHRISTMAS AUCTION: Thank you so much for everyone who donated towards the auction, and for those who participated and bid on items. The auction was able to raise well over \$18,000 for Timothy Christian School. With your help we are able to continue to provide Christian Education for children in Eastern Ontario. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COUNCIL REPORT FOR OCT, NOV, AND DEC 2021:** Council continues to meet regularly and is thankful that they can meet again in person. Below is a list of the major discussions and decisions made:

- 1. At every council meeting both pastors report on their activities of the past month. Both pastors attempt to meet together weekly for a time of mutual encouragement and sharing.
- 2. Both Synod and Classis will be discussing the Human Sexuality Report (HSR) at their next meetings in 2022. All councils are encouraged to read and discuss this report. Pastor Gregg summarized this report and the history of the discussions and reports in the CRC. If you wish to read, contact your elder or clerk.
- 3. Council met with the church treasurer and chair of FAC and approved the proposed budget for 2022.
- 4. Council heard a report on the classis meeting held in Oct. All the churches of classis are struggling with the restrictions of the pandemic and are thankful that despite the pandemic the churches remain open and worship continues.
- 5. Council heard and approved the proposal from the Tech Committee. The sound booth will be moved to the balcony and some new electronic equipment will be purchased. At the fall congregational meeting, this proposal was approved and the required funds will come from the Trust Fund.
- 6. At the congregational meeting some concern was expressed that not everyone can hear well during the worship services. The congregation is reminded that headphones are available and will greatly assist with hearing. If you would like to use one, do not hesitate to contact someone in the Tech Committee or the elders. Also, if you would like to have a DVD or MP3 of the worship service, do not hesitate to ask.
- 7. The decision was made that at the cong meetings, voting on financial matters will be done by ballot.
- 8. Habitat for Humanity is planning to build a house in Winchester Springs in 2022. If you know of someone who would benefit from owning their own affordable home, please contact one of the deacons asap.

### JIM & ALICE KOOISTRA - 65<sup>th</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE

On December 22, we will be celebrating our 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary (1956-2021). We thank the Lord for this amazing privilege. Our wedding text was, and still is *Numbers 6: 24-26*. We would like to have an **OPEN HOUSE** at our place to celebrate this special event with all of you. Because of Covid-19 and to avoid getting too many people at one time, our house will be open for visitors to remember this special occasion on the following days: **Dec 20, & 22, from 10–12 am & 2-4 pm**. Just take your pick. No presents, your presence is our present. **Jim & Alice Kooistra** 

#### **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS THIS WEEK NEXT WEEK** Dec-19 Stephen VandeKemp Dec-26 Randy Tibben Dec-22 Martin Westervelt Dec-29 Marissa Belmonte Tanya TerHorst Amber Haavema Dec-23 Dec-29 Dec-24 Jason Buter Dec-30 Jason Pickup Dec-26 Randy Tibben Dec-30 Barbara Bern

Congratulations to Barbara Bern, who is celebrating her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday!

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