

Identification Statement of the Wyoming Christian Reformed Church

We are the Wyoming Christian Reformed Church. Standing on the infallible Word of God, in the tradition of the Reformed faith as it's expressed in the Heidelberg Catechism, Belgic Confession and Canons of Dort, we boldly proclaim and celebrate the coming of God's kingdom in Jesus Christ. By the strength of His Spirit we gather and enfold newcomers into His covenant of grace. We teach and equip believers and their baptized children for obedient, loving service in all areas of life to the praise of our heavenly Father.

Regarding Worship: Amidst the wide range of worship practices in our culture today, we maintain that worship is a meeting between God and His people in which God is praised and His people are blessed. Worship must be centered on the preaching of the word – the primary means of grace. We deem it a blessing to assemble twice on the Lord's Day to praise His name. Worship is our highest calling and joy.

Regarding Moral and Ethical Living: The Bible is our guide for life. It addresses the sanctity of life (Ex 20:13), the roles of men and women in the church and home (1 Tim 2:11-15; Eph 5:22-23), the proper attitude toward material possessions (1 Tim 6:3-10).

In short, the Bible addresses every aspect of our lives. In our world ravaged by moral relativism, we affirm that all the principles for Christian living revealed in the Bible and summarized in the Ten Commandments, remain normative for our lives today. The church's task is to proclaim these principles and to call sinners to repentance and faith in Jesus Christ. With love and compassion, we practice church discipline and encourage penitent believers in their continual battle against the kingdom of darkness.

To strengthen our identity in Christ, we seek contact and fellowship with churches of like mind.

Council Members

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John Krale ('21) Chair & Pulpit Supply

John DeBoer ('21) Vice-Chair

Craig DeBoer ('19) Vice-All

Ron Boelens ('19)

Ben Dekker ('20)

Ryan Nutma ('20)

Deacons

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Bulletin Information Deadline: Please submit all bulletin announcements no later than Thursday 12pm to Brenda Beintema at wyomingrcbulletin@gmail.com or bulletin@wyomingcrc.net.

Administrative Assistant Hours: Tuesday 9:00am-12:00pm, Wed-Fri 9:00am-1:00pm.

Sunday Services: May – September 10am & 6:30 pm; October – April 10am & 3:00 pm

Sunday Service C.D.: CD's are available for shut-ins. Please call John Beintema at 519-339-0759 to make arrangements. Past CD's are also available in the library.



THIRD SUNDAY

OF

Advent

Welcome to our worship services in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. If you come as a visitor today, we hope you will leave as a friend. Whether you are a newcomer to the community or to our church, we are honoured to have you here. May we all be strengthened and encouraged by the proclamation of the gospel. After the morning service, everyone is invited for coffee and juice in the fellowship hall downstairs.



Sunday School: Children aged 3-8 are invited to go downstairs for Sunday School after the children's message and a short prayer of blessing. Parents, please feel free to follow the teachers out and ask them any questions you may have. As we obediently *"train children in the way they should go,"* may it be our prayer that *"they will not turn from it when they are older"* (Proverbs 22:6).

If we can be of any service to you (if you have a prayer request or would like more information about our church and the programs we offer), please do not hesitate to get in touch with an elder or a deacon. We are here to *"...serve each other in love."* - Galatians 5:13

Elders

Craig DeBoer 519-464-3448
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Zack Jackson 519-381-0249
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Hall Monitor: John Sipkens

Announcements: Craig DeBoer

NEXT WEEK: Sid Nutma

Offerings:

December 16 AM Church, World Renew
 PM Home Missions, Lambton County Developmental Services
 December 23 AM Church, Ed Relief
 PM Petrolia Food Bank, Redeemer University

World Renew mission is to engage God's people in redeeming resources and developing gifts in collaborative activities of love, mercy, justice, and compassion. Formerly CRWRC

Christian Reformed Home Missions supports a diverse group of church planters, pastors, campus ministers, and others who are called to renew communities together.

Lambton County Developmental Services is a non-profit social service agency committed to providing quality supports for people with developmental disabilities and contributing to the communities where we operate.

Redeemer University College is an undergraduate Christian liberal arts and science university in Ancaster

DECEMBER 2018						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (HOPE)	3 7:00pm Cadets and GEMS	4 9:45am Coffee Break	5 7:00pm Friendship 7:30pm Bible Study	6 7:30pm Worship Committee Meeting	7 Seniors Christmas	8
9 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (JOY)	10 7:00pm Cadets and GEMS	11 9:45am Coffee Break 7:30pm Deacons Meeting	12 7:00pm Friendship 7:30pm Bible Study	13 7:30pm Elders Meeting	14	15
16 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (LOVE)	17 7:00pm Cadets, GEMS and Finance Year End Count	18 9:45am Coffee Break	19 7:00pm Friendship 7:30pm Bible Study	20 7:00pm Evangelism/ Ministry Development	21	22
23 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (PEACE)	24 CHRISTMAS EVE	25 CHRISTMAS DAY 	26	27 7:30pm Full Council Meeting	28	29
30	31 NEW YEARS EVE SERVICE 6:30PM	1 NEW YEARS DAY SERVICE 10:00AM				

Volunteers

Mother of the Month: Jen DeBoer

December 16

Nursery: Dorothy DeBoer, Grace Hoogland, Aaliyah Nutma, Nicole Schiestel
Sunday School: 3&4-Katie Nutma, 5&6-Faith Hoekstra, 7&8-Margi Sipkens
Door Keepers: Sandy Dekker, John Woudstra
Coffee Servers: Ryan & Katie Nutma, Mike & Grace DeBoer
Ushers: Curtis Jackson
Accompanist: AM Praise Team
PM Diana Schenk
Tech: AM Caleb Van Ruitenburg, Harry Van Ruitenburg
PM Brenda Beintema, Craig DeBoer

December 23

Nursery: Margi Sipkens, Renee Schiestel, Alex Hoekstra, Melyssa Beintema
Sunday School: 3&4- Barb VanderWal, 5&6-Courtney Nutma, 7&8-Kim Jackson
Door Keepers: Grace Hoogland & Carson Sipkens
Coffee Servers: William & Diana Schenk, Harry & Audrey VanRuitenburg
Ushers: Wes DeBoer
Accompanist: AM Diana Schenk
PM Youth Group
Tech: AM Jack Koetsier, Chris Jackson
PM Harry VanRuitenburg

December 25

Nursery: Maggie Boersma, Brooke Boelens, Katelyn VanRooyen, Riley Sipkens
Accompanist: Praise Group
Tech: Harry VanRuitenburg, Chris Jackson

May God shower you with Blessings on your Birthday!

December 16th Samantha Huizinga, Chris Huybers
December 17th Edith-Ann Poort
December 20th John Sipkens
December 22nd Sandra Woudstra
December 23rd Jaclyn DeBoer



TODAYS WORSHIP

Isaiah 66:2, "These are the ones I look on with favor: those who are humble and contrite in spirit, and who tremble at my word."



NEXT WEEK

You are invited to join us for the Candle light service next Sunday at 6:30pm. There will be no afternoon service that day.

CHURCH FAMILY

THANKYOU: Andrew and Paige would like to thank everyone who came out to the meet and greet, it was a great time and is good to know how supportive the people of the church are. Thanks again for all the gifts and cards. Andrew, Paige and Aubrey.

THANKYOU: We would like to thank the congregation for the love and support shown at the meet and greet for Sophia. It has been such a blessing to welcome her to the world. Thank you very much for all the gifts and support. Kyle, Jackie, Emily and Sophia

MERRY CHRISTMAS: Wishing all my friends a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. Cheryl Kaldeway.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Theresa Boelens continues to recover after a second stem cell treatment for multiple myeloma.
- Ben Dekker's dad Clarence Dekker has lost strength this week.
- Sandra Woudstra is recovering on schedule from a chip in a bone in her right ankle.
- Rick DeBoer is recovering after surgery for partial fusion of right foot.
- Willy Pool remains in University Hospital London after surgery to repair a hole in her heart.
- Betty Leystra's son Joe is scheduled for surgery this Monday for a blocked artery in abdomen.

Remember in prayer Noah Boer's father Greg, Bill Boersma, Arie & Margurite Brouwer, Rick DeBoer, Jean Hoving, Fred Poort, Gertie Sipkens, and others unable to worship with us.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOOK CLUB: Are you interested in reading good Christian literature? Join us for an informal book club! We'd like to use books from various genres to study and learn biblical principles and precepts together. We hope to keep this simple and informal and would love ideas about how to proceed with this. If you are interested or have ideas or questions, please contact Beth Dekker-Jackson: 519-328-3037; or Sandy Dekker: 519-330-9134



COFFEE BREAK: Our Christmas potluck social will be this week, so please bring your favourite dish to share, a wrapped \$5 gift for the gift exchange, and something special for your secret pal!

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: will meet D.V. at 7:30 pm in the consistory room to study lesson 10 entitled "Who is Worthy to Open the Scroll?" based on Revelation 5.

MENTORING: There is a sign-up sheet in the basement for anyone willing to become involved in a mentoring/discipling program. Please prayerfully consider how you can be involved. Jesus gave us a wonderful example; He disciplined his followers, then sent them out to disciple others. He intentionally poured himself into the lives of others. What blessing and growth there will be for us as we follow his example.

HOMELESS KITS: Thank you! A big thanks to everyone who contributed items for the homeless kits! We were able to assemble 35 kits and pass them on to the Salvation Army. Pray with us that they will be a source of blessing for those who receive them. Thank you also for the various other donations we could pass on to the Salvation Army.

VOLUNTEER: Board of Stewards are looking for volunteers to help with small paint projects around the church. If you are interested, please contact Rob Nutma or Sid Nutma.



NO SMOKING: We have a policy of no smoking on church property.

LOST AND FOUND: There are several items by the mail slots that have been found around the church. If you recognize one of these items, please grab it and take it home with you. Thank you.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dirk Miedema Retires: Aylmer Christian Reformed Church ON Canada congratulates Rev. Dirk Miedema, together with his wife Grace, as they celebrate his retirement from congregational ministry.

We thank God for more than seven years of faithful ministry with us, and for a total of 37 years serving congregations in Dresden, Acton, Clinton, Ingersoll, Woodstock Maranatha, and Aylmer in addition to classis and denominational service.

You are welcome to join us for Rev. Miedema's farewell worship service on **Sunday Jan. 27/19 DV @ 10:00 AM @ Aylmer CRC -110 Caverly Rd.**

All friends are also invited to join us for an evening of celebration on Friday Feb. 1/19 DV @ 7:00 PM @ Immanuel Christian School (75 Caverly Rd. Aylmer ON) For more information, or to RSVP contact church office Administrator @ aylmercrc@amtelecom.net or 519-773-3025



Hi Kids!!

For the next couple weeks, we will be learning the following Christmas songs: *Away in a Manger, The Little Drummer Boy, and Joy to the World.* You should have found the lyrics in your mailslots. Please practice at home as well. We will be presenting these songs on Christmas Day!!

Please continue to bring canned goods for the Petrolia Food bank! Each child is encouraged to bring in one item per week! Thanks for your support in this!

Also, please bring in one empty, cleaned tin can (soup or veggie size). We need them for our Christmas production!! They can be placed in any of the Sunday school classrooms or in the Sunday school closet. Thanks!!

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITTLE CAESAR'S PIZZA PICKUP: Just a reminder that the Little Caesar pizza orders will be available to pick up next week Tuesday, December 18 at JKCS between 1:30-3:30 pm.



CELEBRATION OF LEARNING & CHRISTMAS CONCERT: at London Christian High – We invite the entire community, and your friends and families, to our Celebration of Learning & Christmas concert evening on **Tuesday, December 18, 2018** from 7-9pm. This open house event presents an opportunity to talk with students about their learning experiences this semester, see beautiful projects, hear about how students are developing a sense of God's purpose in their lives, and celebrate Jesus' birth together. For more information, please see www.londonchristianhigh.ca or contact the school at 519-455-4360. Food & refreshments will be available.

HE HAS COME: The staff and students of John Knox Christian School invite you to join them for our special Christmas Chapel. Instruments and student voices, in words and songs, come together to share the good news that "He Has Come". Set aside some time on Thursday afternoon, **December 20**, beginning at 1:30, to be part of the joy we have in Jesus Christ.

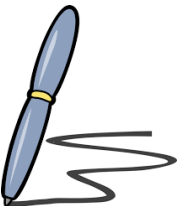


REQUEST FROM JKCS FINANCE COMMITTEE: If you have not paid your membership fees, please contact a member of the finance committee before the end of December. Also, please note there is a budgeted fundraising line of \$38,533.59 this year. This is not an auction year. We ask that you prayerfully consider contributing towards the fundraising line through donations. Thank-you for your generous support of Christ centered education.



DESSERT INFORMATION EVENING: at London Christian High - If you are considering London Christian High for your child's secondary education, we invite you to join us **Wednesday, January 16** at 7pm at London Christian High. Tour the school, meet the teachers and learn more about our program of learning. Parents and students in grades 5-12 are welcome! To register for the evening, or for more information, email Gabriella at ghoogstra@lchonline.ca.

SERMON NOTES



10:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Welcome

Gathering Song: *Hark! The Herald Angles Sing LUYH 80*

Advent Celebration of Love

*Song of Reflection: *O Come All Ye Faithful, LUYH 76*

*Silent Prayer

*Hymn of Response: *How Deep the Fathers Love for Us*

*God's Greeting

*Song of Praise: *How Great Our Joy, LUYH 90*

GOD INVITES RE-COMMITMENT

Call to Confession:

Assurance of Pardon

God's Will For Us: Romans 13:8-14

Song of Dedication: *What Child is This, LUYH 95*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Prayer

Song of Approach: *One Small Child*

GOD'S WORD READ & PROCLAIMED

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13

Sermon: Perfect Love

*Song of Response: *Come, We that Love the Lord, vs.1,3,4; LUYH 483*

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

Offerings Introduced & Received

Offering Prayer

Congregational Prayer

GOD BLESSES

*Doxology: *Go Tell it on the Mountain LUYH 93*

*Benediction

*Three-fold Amen

3:00 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Gathering Song: *O Little Town of Bethlehem, LUYH 88*

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

Song of Response: *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly, GH 353*

*God's Greeting

*Song of Praise: *On Christmas Night, LUYH 89*

GOD INVITES PROFESSION

*Canons of Dort Main Point 5, Article 9

*Song of Response: *For All the Saints, vs.1,3,5; LUYH 254*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Sermon: *Why God Became Man*

Lord's Day 5

*Song of Response: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul, LUYH 424*

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

Offerings Introduced & Received

Offertory Prayer

*Doxology: *By the Sea of Crystal, LUYH 489*

*Benediction

*Three-fold Amen