

# REDEEMER REPORT

November 7, 2024



NEWSLETTER OF REDEEMER CRC  
SARNIA, ON

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~In person gatherings Sundays at  
10am

~ Weekly messages from Pastor Corey  
Van Huizen on YouTube  
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~Redeemer Sarnia on Instagram

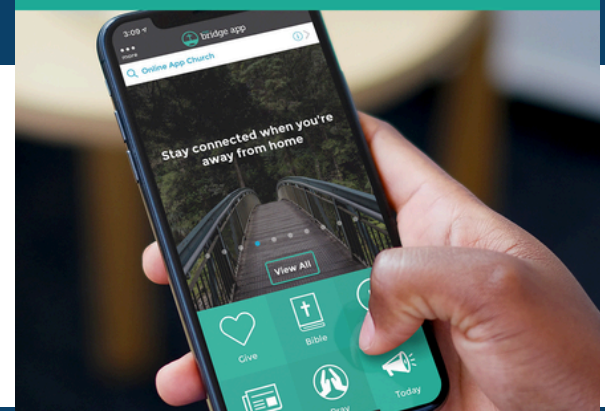


## Upcoming Events & News

- The Lord's Supper will be celebrated on Sunday, November 24.
- The next Wednesday Worship will be on November 20 at 3:30pm. If you need a ride, please contact Didi v or Gerald V.
- This Sunday, Nov. 10 we will be engaging in listening circles. Following a short worship service, our goal is to hear how you may or may not have been affected by the decisions of Synod 2024, and how you feel Synod's decisions may impact the mission of Redeemer Church. This event is intended as a beginning step of a larger discernment process.
- There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, December 1 to approve the budget for 2025.
- We have hired two part time interns for the coming months - Alicia D and Allie M. Welcome back to Allie and first time intern Alicia. We are eager to see their impact on community life at Redeemer!

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# Upcoming Events & News (con't)

## Prayer Group

You are invited to a weekly prayer group that meets at Redeemer on Wednesdays at 11am. We are asking for God's direction and power in the current and future work of our church. Even if you are hesitant to pray aloud, you are welcome to join us with your silent prayers. Contact Joleen V for more information.



**Stephen Ministry**

Your Stephen Ministry Leaders are here to help you! If you need a helping hand as you walk through a difficult time, please call Sara S, Diana W, or Pastor Joe for more information. We would love to connect you with a trained church member who will meet with you regularly as you sort out how to move forward.

# Opportunities to Give

**The Inn of the Good Shepherd (November 10)** is a local organization that provides services with dignity to those who are in need of food, shelter and other essentials. Some of the services provided are a food bank, soup kitchen, assistance with income tax returns, a back pack program for school children, The Lodge, The Haven, utilities support and many others.

**NeighbourLink Sarnia-Lambton (November 17)** is a network of 20 local community churches working together to respond to the needs of our community neighbours. NeighbourLink could not accomplish their goals without the help of supporters like you. They are always looking for volunteers to help us make their vision a reality. Redeemer supports NeighbourLink through offerings and donations to the food bin in the foyer.

## Deacons (November 24)

The Deacons at Redeemer partner with local organizations such as The Inn of Good Shepherd and NeighbourLink. The Deacons also use donated funds to provide assistance for needs within our congregation and in our local community. For more information about Deacons as part of a wider CRC community go to: <https://diaconalministries.com>

## Women's Interval Home (December 1)

The Women's Interval Home of Sarnia and Lambton Inc. is a non-profit charitable organization established in 1977 to provide emergency shelter and counselling services to women and their children who have experienced abuse. The Home provides 24 hour emergency and short-term shelter, support, counselling, transitional services and child witness counselling. The Home strives to end the cycle of violence against women by working with local partners.

## Ryan's House (December 8)

Ryan's House is step two in the process of recovering from addiction, giving people a supportive place to await longer-term rehabilitation after going through three-day acute withdrawal management in hospital. Ryan's House is a residential withdrawal management facility in Sarnia.

Contact Pastor  
Joe at  
519-331-7466  
for any  
assistance.

# Birthdays



November 8:	Tim I
November 9:	Theodora S
November 13:	Martin V
November 13:	Isabel H
November 17:	Fina L
November 19:	Joey M
November 20:	Judy V
November 20:	Art H
November 28:	Kayla S
December 2:	Ben V
December 3:	Tip H
December 4:	Manuel D
December 5:	Joan F

*If you would like to have your name added or removed from this list, please contact the church office.*

## How Can I Donate?



~ Mail in or drop off cheques to the church office

~ Donate on the Bridge App

~ E-transfers sent to [offering@redeemercrc.com](mailto:offering@redeemercrc.com) (please include in the email the cause that you wish to support)

~ Weekly offerings at the end of each Sunday service\*

\* If not using church numbered envelopes, please write the name of the cause on the envelope as well as your name and address if you would like a donation receipt at year-end for tax purposes.

*(Treasurer ~ Fred V)*

# Community News

## Moving Forward in Faith Conference

Church members and leaders of all ages are invited for an inspiring event you don't want to miss! God is doing great things within our region, our churches, and our denomination. We are chosen by God to walk alongside His vision for the world and play our part in its transformation. Diaconal Ministries Canada and Resonate Global Mission have put together the Moving Forward in Faith Conference at Compass Point Church in Burlington, ON, November 15 & 16. Join us for worship, a plenary session by best-selling author and disciple-maker, Caesar Kalinowski, and a variety of workshops related to young adult ministry, mission in your own backyard, Indigenous ministry, being a deacon, and more! We promise there is a workshop for (almost) everyone.

## Soup and Bun Social

All are welcome to come and enjoy our next monthly Coffee Fellowship Event (formerly Monthly Seniors Coffee) which will include soup and buns. Instead of meeting like we have in the past at 10 am., we will meet at 11:30 for lunch and fellowship and listen to Pastor Rafik K from Wyoming CRC who will bring us some words of encouragement. Please invite your friends and neighbours to join us on Friday, November 29 at 11:30 am. at Living Hope CRC. We would like to know how many will attend in order to prepare enough food so please RSVP. to: Susan S or Carolyn N



## Library Corner

Throughout the year, the Redeemer CRC church librarians will highlight newly purchased books as well as reading material currently in circulation that may be of interest.

If you have a book from the church library that you think would be a good one to spotlight, just let Wilma V or Elaine S know the title and we will include it!

## Book Spotlight

In *Prayer in the Night*, author Tish Harrison Warren explores the role of faith through life's hardest times: Where is God in the midst of brokenness and suffering? Sharing personal stories, deep empathy, and reflections on ancient Christian practices, Warren delves into the transformative power of prayer.

William M. Kinnaird's *Joy Comes in the Morning: the Power of Christian Encouragement* also addresses the 'dark night of the soul'. In 42 bite-sized chapters, this Stephen Ministries Care Classic highlights the powerful impact of encouragement from others and acceptance rooted in Christ.

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**Christmas  
Dinner and Program**

Sunday, December 8 at  
Redeemer Christian Reformed Church

Save the Date! More details to follow. ✨

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