



Proverbs is a collection of witty sayings of the wise, striking imagery of fools and faithful ones, and the hopes of a father for his young adult son as he embarks on his own life's journey. At the heart Proverbs is the central question of how do we live wisely and well in the world we live? Who and what are our guides? Who do we look to for wisdom? We are exploring Proverbs together as a tapestry of accumulated wisdom over generations of those seeking to follow God and how we allow this wisdom to shape our lives today.

### 10:00am Service

**Worship Participants this week:**

**Preacher:** Pastor Tom Bomhof

#### GATHERING AND GREETING

**Gathering Song**

"God is For Us"

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

**God's Greeting**

**Songs of Praise**

"Mighty to Save"

"Ten Thousand Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

#### CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

**Song**

"Be Still and Know"

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Children's Blessing**

**Children ages 4 – Grade 3 are now invited to participate in Sunday School**

#### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**Song**

"Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak"

**Scripture Reading**

Proverbs 9: 1-18

**Sermon**

**“Wisdom Is A Choice”**

**Prayer of Application**

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**Song of Response:**

“My Worth Is Not In What I Own”

**Offering Announcement**

- 1) Ministries of Community Christian Reformed Church
- 2) World Renew- World Hunger

**Prayers of the People**

**God’s Parting Blessing**

**Doxology**

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Please leave the building immediately after the ushers dismiss you from the pews.  
You are welcome to fellowship in the parking lot while maintaining social distance.**

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**COMMUNITY CRC CHURCH FAMILY**

(The bracketed numbers indicate the Community to which these individuals belong)

Please pray for **Christine F** (14) who was diagnosed with colon cancer and will be undergoing tests and being monitored in the coming months.

Please continue to keep **Bill H** (14) in your prayers as he remains a patient at Grand River Hospital.

We join **Geralee H** in praising God that test results indicate the cancer has not spread. She would like to thank everyone for their hugs, meals, cards, and phone calls as both her and Bill are dealing with ongoing recent health issues.

Our condolences are extended **Kerri O and Harry** and their children **Kyle, Rachel, & Jayme** (4) with the passing away of Kerri’s father **Mr. Bill W.** Bill passed away on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. A funeral was held yesterday at Exeter CRC. May the Lord be their source of comfort and strength during this difficult time.

Our condolences are also extended to **Amy T and her children, Nicholas and Emily** (9) with the passing away of Amy’s father, Mr. Bill M. Bill passed away last Wednesday, October 27 at the age of 76. Please keep Amy and her family in your prayers.

Please keep **Gary B** (8) in your prayers as he will undergo back surgery on November 10 at Toronto Western Hospital. Pray for guidance for the doctors and strength and healing for Gary during the recovery process.

**Pray for Denise H** (11) as she deals with recurring infections.

Congratulations to **John and Edith G** (7) as they will celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary today Sunday, November 7, 2021. May the Lord continue to bless and strengthen their marriage for many years to come.

Thank you for the love and support you have shown to our family with the recent passing of Alice. We felt surrounded by our church community during this difficult time and take comfort in knowing that Alice is now with the Lord. **Ralph V and family** (11)

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## MATTERS FOR PRAYER

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- This coming Thursday, November 11 is Remembrance Day. Give thanks for our freedom that came at such a great cost.
- Pray that God would provide leaders for our Youth and Children’s ministries.
- Pray for wisdom, discernment, and perseverance as the Calling Committee seeks the Lord’s will for CCRC.
- Pray for those who are seeking employment or those who are underemployed and/or seeking more meaningful employment.
- Pray for **Gary and Galya T** with Resonate Global Missions, **Anthony and Barbara P** with Daystar Ministries on Manitoulin Island, **Hank and Rosario S** volunteering in Guatemala, **Pastor Brian B** serving with Waterloo Campus Ministry and **Shannon C** serving as Chaplain at Forest Heights Long term care home.

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## STAFF INFORMATION

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**Rachel K, Our Worship Co-ordinator** is planning to be on maternity leave for three months from February to the end of April. Council approved hiring an interim to cover the weekly administrative work during that time.

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## UPCOMING SERVICES

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Nov 14	10 am	Pastor Amanda Bakale Lord’s Supper C# 1, 2, 3 ,4
Nov 21	10 am	Pastor Amanda Bakale C# 9, 11, 13, 14 Congregational Meeting
Nov 28	10 am	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent Rebecca B (Calvin Seminary Student) Pastor Amanda Bakale

		Baptisms: Rowan D (11), Brooke H (4), Matthew B (8) C# 5 ,6, 7, 8
	6 pm	Pastor Tom Bomhof Blue Christmas Service

**Lord's Supper Note: Next Sunday, November 14,** we will be celebrating the sacrament of Lord’s Supper. The Council of Community CRC invites believers of all ages to the table, following an age and ability appropriate public profession of faith. If you desire to come to the table but have not made profession of faith, please let a pastor or elder know so we can begin the conversation.

**Upcoming Baptism Sundays** | Are you looking to be baptized or to have your child baptized? The next Baptism Sunday is scheduled for the new year on **January 23, 2022**. If you are interested in one of these dates, please contact the church office.

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## OFFERING SCHEDULE

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**There are two offerings taken on a weekly basis at Community CRC. The first offering is for the Ministries of Community CRC and the second offering is for various causes that our church supports. For more details on how to donate to the church, please go online to [www.ccrcc.on.ca/giving](http://www.ccrcc.on.ca/giving).**

**Today is World Hunger Sunday** | Today we are having an offering to support the work of World Renew and help put food on tables around the world. World Renew has the plans, the systems, the partners, and the people to come alongside communities experiencing hunger. We are excited to join this program as a faithful response to the God who can accomplish abundantly more than all we ask or imagine. Thank you for giving as you are able to help solve World Hunger.

**Next week our offering is for Woodland Christian High School.** WCHS is a secondary school located in Breslau, Ontario. Founded in 1976 by a group of churches in the Cambridge area, Woodland provides Christian-based education.

**Upcoming Offerings:**

Nov 21 | Chaplaincy and Care Ministry

Nov 28 | The Benevolence Fund

**Offerings received as at October 31, 2021:**

October 31, 2021	\$	12,190
Year to Date	\$	653,715
Budgeted 2021 Total Contributions	\$	923,460
<b>Second Offerings</b>		
Laurentian Hills Christian School	\$	395
Food Bank of Waterloo Region	\$	2,100
Benevolence	\$	2,080
Missionary Support	\$	600
World Renew	\$	50

*Note: Offerings received through the Bridge App are counted once a month and are not reflected in each week's offering amount*

**Missionary Support** | Following Acts 1:8 Community CRC seeks to do mission locally, regionally, nationally and internationally. Nationally and internationally CCRC financially supports two missionaries, **the Ps** on Manitoulin Island, and the **Ts** serving the Eastern European diaspora in Toronto. Thanks to your generosity we raised over \$17,000 last year. For 2021 CCRC made a commitment is to raise \$16,500 through donations from the congregation. So far, your support has raised \$12,780. With 2 months to go before the end of this year we need to raise \$3,720 to meet our target. Thank you for your generous support so far this year and please

consider your support for our missionaries as you give. You can give your support online through the bridge app, or by the church envelope system. Make sure to write Missionary Support on the envelope. On behalf of the Mission Strategy Team, Thank you for your generous support of God's mission.

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**COMMUNITY CRC NEWS**

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**The Fall Congregational Meeting** will be held on Sunday, **November 21** in the afternoon. More details and the agenda will be available soon.

**Halloween Drive Thru** | Our Halloween Drive Thru last Sunday was a big success. We had 62 cars come through and we gave treats and flyers to 128 children, many of them from the neighbouring community. Our 27 volunteers ran ten game and treat stations and had a lot of fun serving our community this way. Thank you to everyone in the congregation who provided candies—we had more than enough! Special thanks to Jerry P and Phil S who provided materials for signs and stations. The Planning Team is going to have a debrief about the event and think ahead to next year. If you have any input you'd like to give, please email Pastor Tom.

**The Consistory and Diaconate** will meet this Tuesday, November 9, 2021.

**Book Club** | The fall book club book is Kate Bowler's new book No Cure for Being Human. The best-selling author of Everything Happens for a Reason (And Other Lies I've Loved) asks, how do you move forward with a life you didn't choose? We'll be discussing the book on December 9 at 7:30 on Zoom. Questions? please contact Carling L.

**Visual Arts** | Our team is looking for help with setting up for Advent on November 22 at 9:30 in the morning. COVID protocols require that we wear masks and sign in when arriving at the church. If you have any questions please contact Annette S before November 18.

**Volunteers Needed** | Are you looking for a place to get involved in the church? We are looking for volunteers in various ministries and areas throughout the church. Interested? Go to the website to see where there are volunteer opportunities and how you might be able to give of your time and talents. Go to: <https://www.crc.on.ca/volunteers>

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## DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

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**Kid's Devotions | Confession Prayers** | Have you ever hidden from someone or something? In our prayers, God does not want us to hide from him. He wants us to seek him by confessing our sins to him when we pray. Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net).

**Online Devotions | Seeking God's Face** - is a daily, contemplative devotional—rooted in the ancient traditions of the Divine Office and lectio divina—guiding you to renewed communion with God through sacred Scripture and universal prayer. Subscribe for daily emails at [seekinggodsface.org/subscribe](http://seekinggodsface.org/subscribe).

**Groundwork | Jonah: Praying for God's Deliverance** | When we find ourselves in situations that we cannot fix, it's natural to feel anxious, desperate, overwhelmed, exhausted, and scared. Join Groundwork as we study Jonah 2 to remember that God is ready to hear us, to deliver us, and to offer us his abundant mercy. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**Devotions and Advocacy Guide | World Renew** | 16 Days of Activism - Join World Renew, Safe Church and the CRCNA for the live launch of the campaign against Gender Based Violence (GBV). Hear from Dr. Elaine Storkey ([elainestorkey.com](http://elainestorkey.com)) and others on what faithfully confronting this evil looks like, in the power of Christ. Nov. 23 at 3:00 ET. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/8aezafsh>. Incidents of women and girls facing various forms of GBV continue to escalate, with at least 1 in every 3 women reporting having experienced gender-based violence in their lives. The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the crisis. Christians, and the church, are called to intervene, to support and to fight against GBV in all its forms. Join the CRCNA and World Renew for the launch of the GBV: 16 Days: Devotions and Advocacy Guide to this Hidden Pandemic.

**CRC Communications | Inspire 2022** - Are you missing gatherings and times of growing together? Plan to join us next summer in Chicago for Inspire 2022. People from across the denomination will gather August 4-6, 2022 at the Tinley Park Convention Center for worship, prayer, speakers, and workshops. We'd love to see you there! Learn more and sign up for email updates at [www.crcna.org/inspire](http://www.crcna.org/inspire).

**Faith Practices | The Practice of Generosity:** Read Acts 4:32-35 and ponder or discuss the following questions. (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit [bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject](http://bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject)) The early church was characterized by a spirit of generosity. How does today's church (or your own congregation) measure up? Do today's Christians have a reputation for generosity? In what ways is that true or untrue?

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

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**Just in time for Christmas... Cheese and Christmas Goodies!** After a small break, we are happy to bring back the Cheese & Goodies sale! LHCS will be ordering European cheese, chocolate letters, croquettes and many other goodies just in time for Christmas! This is a great way to purchase a special gift for someone or yourself. For safety and convenience, the form has now moved online! Orders and payment are due by Sunday, November 7, 2021 and will be ready for pick-up on Thursday, December 2nd from 7:00pm - 9:00pm at the doors by the gym. Sharon M and Elaine A.

**Principal/COO Job Posting - Laurentian Hills Christian School** | We are hiring! Laurentian Hills Christian School, located at 11 Laurentian Drive in Kitchener is a leading school in Christian education and we are looking to hire for the position of Principal/COO to begin the summer of 2022. See our website for more information and for the job posting/job description: <http://lhcs.net/>

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## CHURCH RESOURCES

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**CAP, or Congregational Assistance Plan,** is a



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Mental Health Network

way for our CCRC to make counselling services available for everyone in the church. From time to time all of us are faced with difficulties. Usually, we are able to resolve them. But there come times when our usual ways of coping no longer seem to work. This is especially true in this stressful time of lockdown and pandemic that we find ourselves in. If this is happening to you, CAP offers professional Christian counselling support to you as an individual, as couples, and as families. For more information go our website at [www.ccrcc.on.ca](http://www.ccrcc.on.ca) and click "Counseling Services" under the "Ministries" tab