St. Luke 6:20-26 NLT

The Beatitudes

²⁰ Then Jesus turned to his disciples and said,

"God blesses you who are poor, for the Kingdom of God is yours.

²¹ God blesses you who are hungry now, for you will be satisfied.

God blesses you who weep now, for in due time you will laugh.

²² What blessings await you when people hate you and exclude you and mock you and curse you as evil because you follow the Son of Man.²³ When that happens, be happy! Yes, leap for joy! For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, their ancestors treated the ancient prophets that same way.

Sorrows Foretold

What sorrow awaits you who are rich,
 for you have your only happiness now.
 What sorrow awaits you who are fat and prosper

²⁵ What sorrow awaits you who are fat and prosperous now,

for a time of awful hunger awaits you.
What sorrow awaits you who laugh now,
for your laughing will turn to mourning and sorrow.

26 What sorrow awaits you who are praised by the crowds,

for their ancestors also praised false prophets.





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Sunday 16th February 2025 10:30 am
The Church of Jesus the Saviour
Celebrates the Good News
of God's Love for the World
Made Manifest in Jesus His Son

as we learn to share Christ's Love with everyone

Celebrating the Truth of the Presence of God – Alleluia!

Call to Worship:

Praise: "Majesty" SB #46

Welcome, and announcements:

Celebrating the Truth of Forgiveness – We Receive New Life!

Praise: "How sweet the name of Jesus sounds" BP #249

Prayer, and the Lord's Prayer:

Celebrating the Truth of God's Word! - We are Listening!

Scripture: St. Luke 5:1-11 NLT

Message: "Blessings & Woes?"

Celebrating the Truth of God's gifts to us – We Are Accountable

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession:

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings:

+ Offertory

Doxology: "Praise God from Whom"

BP #603

Prayer of Dedication

Praise: "I have decided" SB #52

Celebrating the Truth of our Going Forth – We Leave for Ministry

Benediction:

Interpersonal Benediction: "Be glorified" vs 1, 3 SB #60

Worship & Sacraments Team: Prayer Requests

Gladys Brown – at home

Frank De Vries – at home

Frank Ingold – at home

Bob Kenzie – Sunnyside Home

Mary Master - Conestoga Lodge

Dolly McCormack - Court at Laurelwood Retirement Home

Marg & Terry McCorriston – at home

Julie Phoenix – Southbridge London Long Term Care Home

Curt Ryan - AgeCare West Williams LTC

Shirley Steinberg - Winston Park LTC

Dirk Vanderhide – at home

Glen Verheye - at home

Sunday School:

The dates this term for our regular bi-weekly Sunday School are: **February** 23; **March** 23; **April** 06, & 20; **May** 04, & 18; **June** 01, & 15.

We are looking for more Sunday School teachers, helpers, or back-ups to join the team permanently but also specifically to help with the younger group. If interested, please contact Cathrine (gcejtaylor@gmail.com), Nicolene (nclemens7@yahoo.ca).

We are thrilled to share and grow with the children this year. Peace and Joy, Cathrine and Nicolene

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WOW:

KEPC is excited to announce that WOW, Women of Worship is returning. Ladies, please join us on Saturday, February 22nd from 10 – noon in the Gray Hall, for a meet and greet and an idea sharing meeting. Coffee, tea and treats will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Jo Anne Aitken at 519-886-6559 or aitkenj09@gmail.com.

Please keep Doug Greenwood & family in your prayers as his wife Jackie died this past week.

Events This Week: 16th – 23rd February 2025

Sunday: 10:30 am – Worship Service. Annual meeting

postponed to 02nd March, due to weather.

Monday: Family Day! No elders meeting.

Tuesday: 9:30 – 11:30 am – Bible study group by Zoom.

12 - 1:30 pm - Music Therapy

6:30 – 8 pm – Sparks in the Gray Hall

Wednesday: 6:30 – 9 pm – Scouts in the Gray Hall

Thursday: 9-11 am - Sonshine Corner in the Gray Hall 6-10 pm - New Life Youth Group in Gray Hall

Saturday: 8 am – Men's breakfast at Knox Waterloo

10 – 12 – WOW in the Gray Hall

Sunday: 10:30 am – Worship Service, Sunday School;

coffee, & conversation in the Gray Hall.

From the Finance Team: options for financial giving to KEPC:

- 1) **Canada Post:** send your offering envelope in an envelope addressed to the Church: 10 Zeller Dr, Kitchener, ON, N2A 4A8
- 2) **E transfer**: This involves using your online banking application using the e-transfer option & sending the transaction to the Church email: kepc@golden.net
- 3) **PAR: pre-authorized remittance**. This is set up once and an amount is withdrawn from your bank account monthly until you choose to stop it or change the amount. Contact Chris Clemens clemensc78@yahoo.ca and he can set you up.
- 4) **Tithe.ly** on our website, (click on the menu "Donate Now") and donations can be through your Visa, Mastercard, or Debit.
- 5) The locked, **black box** on the wall of the sanctuary by the main doors for your offerings.

Thank-you for your ongoing and prayerful support of the mission and ministry of KEPC.

Offering Envelopes: If you are interested in having assigned envelopes for 2025 and are not on PAR, please reach out to Chris. For anyone that has changed addresses, please let Chris and Mark know so that we can check our records and update them as required.

Thank-you, from the Finance & Stewardship Team.

Grocery Cards:

We are participating in the grocery gift card program in our Region. If you would like to purchase grocery gift cards for the PC group of stores, and/or the Metro group of stores, please speak with Barb Cook, Rob Gloin, or Emmie Richardson. They are available every week. For each card we sell we receive a small amount back from the Community Charity Services.

The Annual Congregational Meeting:

Pastor Mark & Barb Cook have moved the annual congregational meeting to Sunday 02nd March 2025 at 11:45 am, immediately following the 10:30 am worship time together. The annual meeting will be in-person, with soup for lunch in the Gray Hall. This postponement is due to the strong winter snow storm forecast for this weekend.

PD Day Camp: Hello volunteers for this next PD Day camp, <u>Details so far are as follows:</u>

Monday, March 31, 2025

Arrival: 8am (kids arrive at 8:30am)

Departure: by 4:15pm (kids leave at 4pm)

Volunteers are welcome for a half day or full day. Please reply to let me know if you are interested in volunteering for March 31 (and spread the word to anyone else you think may be interested in joining us!)

Kindly, Sarah & Kerry.