

**St. Luke 6:27-36**

**NLT**

**Love your enemies:**

<sup>27</sup> “But to you who are willing to listen, I say, love your enemies! Do good to those who hate you. <sup>28</sup> Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who hurt you. <sup>29</sup> If someone slaps you on one cheek, offer the other cheek also. If someone demands your coat, offer your shirt also. <sup>30</sup> Give to anyone who asks; and when things are taken away from you, don’t try to get them back. <sup>31</sup> Do to others as you would like them to do to you.

<sup>32</sup> “If you love only those who love you, why should you get credit for that? Even sinners love those who love them! <sup>33</sup> And if you do good only to those who do good to you, why should you get credit? Even sinners do that much! <sup>34</sup> And if you lend money only to those who can repay you, why should you get credit? Even sinners will lend to other sinners for a full return.

<sup>35</sup> “Love your enemies! Do good to them. Lend to them without expecting to be repaid. Then your reward from heaven will be very great, and you will truly be acting as children of the Most High, for he is kind to those who are unthankful and wicked. <sup>36</sup> You must be compassionate, just as your Father is compassionate.

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**TO GLORIFY, WITNESS & SERVE**



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**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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: “Jesu, Jesu”** **SB #14**

Prayer, and the Lord's Prayer:

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

Scripture: St. Luke 6:27-36 The Message

Message: “Jesus, are You out of Your mind?”

***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: “Song for the nations”** **SB #26**

***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

## Events This Week: 23<sup>rd</sup> February – 02<sup>nd</sup> March 2025

**Sunday:** 10:30 am – Worship Service, Sunday School; coffee, & conversation in the Gray Hall.  
**Monday:** 7:30 – 9:30 pm – GRIPS in the Gray Hall  
**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  
**Thursday:** 9 am – 9 pm – ON Polling stations in Gray Hall  
**Friday:** 12 – 3:30 pm – Music Therapy  
6 pm – 9 am Saturday – Sparks sleepover  
**Saturday:** 10 am – noon – Elders meet in the sanctuary  
**Sunday:** 10:30 am – Worship Service; Annual Meeting in the Gray Hall.  
1:30 pm – Presbytery at Joonim PC, Waterloo

### 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.**

### Here are the Jan 2025 KEPC financial statements:

A shortfall of about \$4500 to start the year but less than January 2024 so lots of the year left to meet our annual financial plan We'll continue to update on a monthly basis for the year.

**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 02<sup>nd</sup> 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 that enveloped our Region last weekend.

**PD Day Camp:** Hello volunteers for this next PD Day camp, Details so far are as follows:

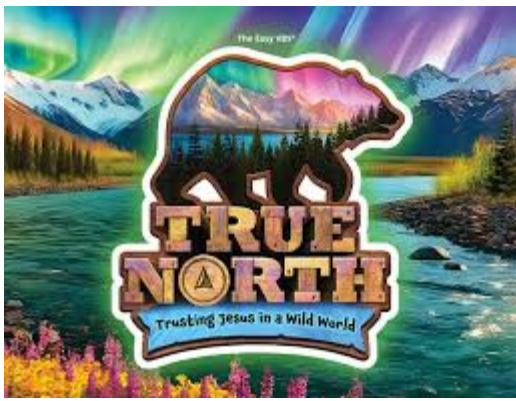
### Monday, March 31, 2025

**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.



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