

St. John 20:19-29 NLT

¹⁹ That Sunday evening the disciples were meeting behind locked doors because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Suddenly, Jesus was standing there among them! "Peace be with you," he said. ²⁰ As he spoke, he showed them the wounds in his hands and his side. They were filled with joy when they saw the Lord! ²¹ Again he said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you." ²² Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive anyone's sins, they are forgiven. If you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

²⁴ One of the twelve disciples, Thomas (nicknamed the Twin), was not with the others when Jesus came. ²⁵ They told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he replied, "I won't believe it unless I see the nail wounds in his hands, put my fingers into them, and place my hand into the wound in his side."

²⁶ Eight days later the disciples were together again, and this time Thomas was with them. The doors were locked; but suddenly, as before, Jesus was standing among them. "Peace be with you," he said. ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and look at my hands. Put your hand into the wound in my side. Don't be faithless any longer. Believe!"

²⁸ "My Lord and my God!" Thomas exclaimed.

²⁹ Then Jesus told him, "You believe because you have seen me. Blessed are those who believe without seeing me."

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Sunday 27th April 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: “Hosanna”

SB #45

Welcome, and announcements:

Celebrating the Truth of Forgiveness – We Receive New Life!

Praise: “Jesus Christ is risen today”

BP #290

Prayer, and the Lord's Prayer:

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

Scripture: St. John 20:19-31 NLT

Message: “What is your locked door?”

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

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings:

+ Offertory

Doxology: “When I survey” vs 4

Prayer of Dedication

BP #178

Praise: “Hosanna to the living King!”

SB #73

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

Benediction:

Interpersonal Benediction: “The Blessing”

Worship & Sacraments Team: Prayer Requests

Gladys Brown – at home

Frank De Vries – at home

Ann Gray – Trinity Village

Doug Greenwood – Cambridge Memorial Hospital

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 Vanderheide – at home

George Ziegler – at home

Sunday School:

The dates this term for our regular bi-weekly Sunday School are: **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

The Mission & Outreach Team is meeting on Wednesday 30th April at 7 pm in the McLean Fireside Room.

WOW, Women of Worship, will be meeting on Saturday, April 26th from 10:00 till noon. We will be meeting in the Sanctuary. Coffee, tea and treats will be provided.

If you have any questions, please contact Jo Anne Aitken at aitkenj09@gmail.com or 519-886-6559.

Events This Week: 20th – 27th April 2025

Sunday: 10:30 am – **Worship Service**
Monday: 9 am – 10 pm – Federal Election Polls here
11:15 am – 12:15 pm Music Therapy Fireside Rm.
Tuesday: 9:30 – 11:30 am – Bible study group this week.
12 – 1:30 pm – Music Therapy
6:30 – 8 pm – Sparks in the Gray Hall
Wednesday: 9:30 – 11:30 am – Bible study in McLean room
6:30 – 9 pm – Scouts in the Gray Hall
7 pm – Mission & Outreach Team in Fireside rm.
Thursday: 9 – 11 am – Sonshine Corner this week
Friday: 12 – 3:30 pm – Music Therapy
Sunday: 10:30 am – Baptism & KEPC's 38th Anniversary
Worship Service; Sunday School; Coffee & Cake
& 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.

Here are the March financial statements:

There was a monthly surplus of close to \$5000 and our YTD shortfall is just a little over \$3000 at the end of March
Thanks for everyone's financial support as the year unfolds!

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.

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.

Crieff Hills Centre Mother's Day Brunch:

Sunday 11th May 2025

Two seatings available:

First Seating: 12:00 p.m. Second Seating: 2:00 p.m.
Pricing (includes a day pass to explore the property):
Adults: \$53 + HST Children (12 & under): \$26 +HST
Families and groups are welcome.

Join us for a delicious farm-to-table buffet brunch crafted with a wide selection of fresh farm ingredients—all set against the peaceful backdrop of our historic countryside retreat. Vegetarian and gluten-free options will be available for all guests to enjoy. Make this Mother's Day one to remember—surrounded by nature, great food, and the people you love!