

Forgiveness – God’s style

Isaiah 43:25 NLT

²⁵ “I—yes, I alone—will blot out your sins for my own sake and will never think of them again.

Isaiah 53:4, 5 NLT

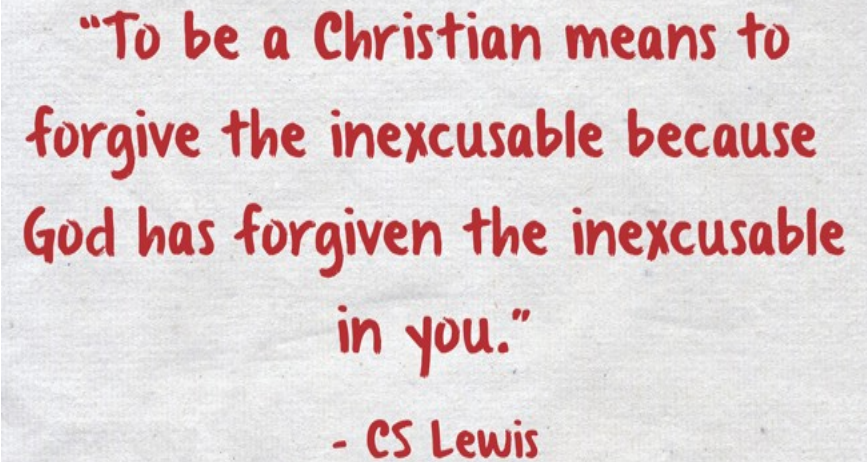
⁴ Yet it was our weaknesses he carried;
it was our sorrows that weighed him down.
And we thought his troubles were a punishment from God, a punishment for his own sins!
⁵ But he was pierced for our rebellion,
crushed for our sins.
He was beaten so we could be whole.
He was whipped so we could be healed.
⁶ All of us, like sheep, have strayed away.
We have left God’s paths to follow our own.
Yet the Lord laid on him
the sins of us all.

John 20:19-23 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.”

FORGIVEN

TO GLORIFY, WITNESS & SERVE



“To be a Christian means to
forgive the inexcusable because
God has forgiven the inexcusable
in you.”
- CS Lewis

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Sunday 04th January 2026 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: “Lord I lift Your name on high” **SB #48**

Welcome, and announcements:

Celebrating the Truth of Forgiveness – We Receive New Life!

Praise: “To God be the glory” **SB #84**

Prayer, and the Lord's Prayer:

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

Scripture: St. John 20:19-31 NLT

Message: “Measure for measure”

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

Prayer:

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings:

+ Offertory

Doxology: “**My tribute**” **SB #45**

Prayer of Dedication

Praise: “Just as I am” **BP #394**

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

Benediction:

Interpersonal Benediction: “My peace” **SB #42**

Worship & Sacraments Team: Prayer Requests

Bernice Baum – at home

Gladys Brown – at home

Frank De Vries – at home

Ann Gray – Trinity Village

Doug Greenwood – Huronview LTC, Clinton

Frank Ingold – at home

Bob Kenzie – Sunnyside Home

Larry Mason – WRHN Chicopee

Mary Master – A. R. Goudie LTC

Dolly McCormack – Court at Laurelwood Retirement Home

Marg & Terry McCorrison – at home

Curt Ryan – AgeCare West Williams LTC

Shirley Steinberg – Winston Park LTC

Dirk Vanderheide – at home

Sunday School 2025 – 2026:

Our regular bi-weekly Sunday School dates for 2026 are:

18th January; 01st & 15th February; 01st, 15th & 29th March;
12th & 26th April; 10th & 24th May; 07th & 21st June.

We are looking for more Sunday School teachers, helpers, or back-ups to join the team. 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

Annual Reports - In order to prepare the Annual Report for the congregation we ask that anyone who leads an activity in the church please submit a summary of activities. Please forward reports to Barb Cook at mjblcook@outlook.com by Sunday 01st February 2026, in order to have the annual report ready for the congregation ahead of the Annual Meeting, on Sunday 22nd February immediately following the worship service. The Annual Report will be distributed electronically, and a few paper copies will be available.

Leading With Care: KEPC has been a Leading with Care congregation since its inception in 2004. However, we need to renew our understanding of this national church policy and our implementation of it in our congregation here in 2025/2026. Rob Gloin & Kerry Weir are spearheading this within our congregation.

Offering Envelopes: If you are interested in having assigned envelopes for 2026 and are not on PAR, please reach out to Chris at clemensc78@yahoo.ca. 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.

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.

Events This Week: 04th – 11th January 2026

- Sunday:** 10:30 am –Worship Service
Tuesday: 12 – 5:45 pm – Music Therapy
6:30 – 8 pm – Sparks in the Gray Hall
7 pm – Worship & Sacraments Team at church
Wednesday: 9:30 – 11:30 am – Bible study in Fireside room
6:30 – 9 pm – Scouts in the Gray Hall
Thursday: 9 – 11 am – Sonshine Corner this week
Friday: 12 – 3:30 pm – Music Therapy
Sunday: 10:30 am – Worship Service, and Presbytery Visitation to KEPC; coffee & conversation in the Gray Hall

WOW:

The next meeting of WOW will be on Saturday, January 31, 2026, from 10:00 - noon, in the Gray Hall. Julie Murray will be sharing with us the art of card making. We will be making Valentine's Day cards that will be shared with the residents at A.R. Goudie Long Term Care. These cards will be going along with the Valentine's Day gift bags that Mission and Outreach will be organizing. All you need to bring with you is glue, scissors and enthusiasm. Everything else will be provided. Coffee, tea and treats will be provided. All Ladies of KEPC are welcome. Looking forward to seeing you all there. Any questions, please contact Jo Anne at aitkenj09@gmail.com or 519-886-6559.

Presbytery Visitation to KEPC:

On Sunday 11th January 2026 representatives from the Presbytery will be visiting our congregation by attending and taking part in our worship service. Following the service, the visiting team will meet casually with members of the congregation, including the minister and session members. All members and adherents are invited and encourage to attend and participate. It is the intent of the Presbytery to check on the general health of each congregation, including ours, and to affirm and strengthen the faithful ministry of the congregations within the Presbytery.