

# Merry Christmas!

December 25, 2011

## This Sunday @ W.L.A.

### 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

This morning we conclude our short series on the Fatherhood of God by looking at what it means that Christ is Immanuel. The longing of our heart to know and be known by our Father can be satisfied because of what this Christmas season truly means.

**SERMON: "OUR FATHER; IMMANUEL" Isaiah 9:6**

### 11:00 a.m. Growzone 2 Ages 3-Grade 3

Note: No infant care offered, although the Seedlings' rooms will be open for parents to take their children.

### 3:30 p.m. WLA Christmas Dinner

If you are interested in enjoying a shared meal at the church this afternoon, please contact Julia or Stephen Argall, 519-473-4461 or [julia.argall@rogers.com](mailto:julia.argall@rogers.com).

## NOT This Week at W.L.A. BUT MOST WEEKS...

### Tuesday, 6:15 – 7:30 a.m. Women's Morning Prayer

Women are warmly invited to meet early each Tuesday morning for prayer and encouragement. For more details contact Deb Wilkins at [dwilkins@compassion.ca](mailto:dwilkins@compassion.ca). Resumes January 10<sup>th</sup>.

### Tuesday, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Playgroup

The Nursery is open every Tuesday for parents with young children to spend time together in a fun space...enjoying the company of other kids and parents. Snack will be provided...bring your own drinks/coffee. Resumes January 10<sup>th</sup>.

### Tuesday, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Seniors' Drop-In

Seniors and their friends are invited to enjoy coffee, conversation and activities at the church every Tuesday morning. Resumes January 10<sup>th</sup>.

### Wednesday, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. TLC

**The Ladies' Connection...** is a morning out for women of all ages to deepen their connection with the Lord and each other through prayer and study. Childcare is available. Resumes January 11<sup>th</sup>.

## NOT This Week at W.L.A. BUT MOST WEEKS...

### Thursday, 6:00–7:30 a.m. Men's Prayer & Accountability

All men are welcome to join us. *Questions?* Contact Nate at [nathanael.p.wright@gmail.com](mailto:nathanael.p.wright@gmail.com) for more information. Resumes January 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Friday, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. ESL (English as a Second Language)

Weekly reading and discussion groups for women looking to practice English. Childcare provided. Resumes January 14<sup>th</sup>.

## On Beyond THIS WEEK

### Sunday, January 1, 11:00 a.m. only Communion

One Sunday morning service. No infant care offered, although the Seedlings' rooms will be open for parents to take their children. Children's programming will be available for 3 year olds to Grade 3. At the conclusion of the service, a **Benevolent Offering** will be received to help meet the needs of members of our church family.

### Thursday, January 12, Noon Forevergreen Luncheon

Seniors and their friends are invited to enjoy a delicious hot lunch (\$5/person). Speaker: Doreen Plumridge

## Other Important NOTES

**A Note from the Staff...** We wish to thank all those of you who contributed to the generous Christmas cash gift presented to each of us. You made our Christmas more "merry"! *Thanks so much!*

**Have you checked the Church Family Mailbox today?** It is overflowing with Christmas cards and other good things that might just have your name on them. You'll find it just outside the Nursery doors.

**Professional Quizzing...** A great opportunity being offered to the church family age 16 and up to memorize a minimum of one chapter of I Peter (NIV) in order to quiz with WLA's Senior Quizzers. For details see Paula Van Brenk or go to the South Foyer Kiosk.

**2012 Numbered offering envelopes...** are now available in the South foyer to all those who have requested them. If you are not already using them but would like to request a set, please use a "Let Us Know You're Here" card to say so. And if you would like to participate in our Pre-Approved Donation Plan, you'll find Enrolment Forms in the chair pockets. *Thanks!*

**Receipting for Year-End Donations...** Please note that Revenue Canada's Income Tax Act states that any collections received on Sunday, January 1, 2012 will be a 2012 gift, regardless of the date that may exist on a donation cheque.

## Youth STUFF

**CORE**  
STUDENT MINISTRIES

Check out our website for the latest events, pictures, leader bios, prayer requests and more!  
[www.wlayouth.org](http://www.wlayouth.org)

### **CLUB CORE** (Grades 6-8) **Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Resumes January 11<sup>th</sup>.**

Please note: There will be no Sunday morning **SHIFT** on December 25<sup>th</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **SENIOR CORE** (Grades 9-12) **Wednesdays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Resumes January 12<sup>th</sup>.**

**YOUNG ADULTS** (18-25ish)  
**December 31, 8:30 p.m. – 2:00 a.m. New Year's Celebration.** Cost: \$10. Dress Code: Semi-formal.  
For more info, email [wlayoungadults@gmail.com](mailto:wlayoungadults@gmail.com)

## **Upcoming Events...**

**January 14 Senior Quizzing Tournament**, from 9:30 a.m. – Noon and 1:30 – 5:00 p.m.

**January 22 Parent Hour** in the **CORE**

**February 17-19 Deeper Life Summit** in Windsor

## A NOTE to Our Guests:

**Welcome! And thanks for being with us!**

We're happy you are here today and hope that being with us will be a help to you in learning to know and love our great God. Please take a moment to fill out a "**Let Us Know You Are Here**" card and bring it to the **Welcome Kiosk** in the South Foyer. **We have answers to your questions, a packet of WLA information and a gift for you!**

You can use the card to provide us with any information you think will help us serve you. You can email us at [info@wlachurch.org](mailto:info@wlachurch.org) or check out our website at [www.wlachurch.org](http://www.wlachurch.org) or phone us at **(519) 471-8716**.

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