

December 22, 2013

*Today* at W.L.A.

**9:15 & 11:00 a.m. Worship Service(s)**

Our pre-Christmas focus on Christ as "*The King of Christmas*" concludes today by returning to the words with which the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she was to bear a child and "*that he would be great.*"

SERMON: "**The Son of the Most High**" **Luke 1:30-33**

This morning, at the beginning of both services, our Growzone Children's Choir will be singing!

<b>9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>JK - Grade 5</b>	<b>Growzone 1</b>
<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	Coffee and tea and time to talk. In the Gym.	<b>Intermission</b>
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Grades 3 - 6</b>	<b>Junior Bible Quizzing</b>
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>JK - Grade 3</b>	<b>Growzone 2</b>
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Grades 7 - 12</b>	<b>Senior Bible Quizzing</b>

*This Week* at W.L.A.

**Tuesday, December 24, 4:30 & 6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Services**  
The 4:30 Service is especially for families with young children. The 6:30 Service will be a candlelight service of carols and celebration. There will be no Nursery Care provided at either service.

**Wednesday, December 25 Christmas Day Dinner**  
If you are interested in enjoying a shared meal at the church on Christmas Day, please sign up at the kiosk, or contact Julia or Stephen Argall at (519) 473-4461 or [julia@argall.ca](mailto:julia@argall.ca) for more information.

*On Beyond* THIS WEEK

**Sunday, December 29, 10:00 a.m. One Service (Communion)**

**Tuesday, January 7, 6:15 – 7:30 a.m. Women's Prayer**  
Not much free time to pray with other women? How about early Tuesday mornings? For more details, contact Deb at [dwilkins@compassion.ca](mailto:dwilkins@compassion.ca)

**Tuesday, January 7, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Community Drop-In**  
Seniors are invited to join us for our weekly drop-in, where you can enjoy coffee, snacks, special features, games and much more!

**Thursday, January 9, 6:00 – 7:30 a.m. Men's Prayer & Accountability**  
All men are welcome. For info, email [jude@wlachurch.org](mailto:jude@wlachurch.org) or [mike@wlachurch.org](mailto:mike@wlachurch.org).

**Friday, January 10, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. ESL**  
Weekly reading and discussion groups for women looking to practise English. Childcare is provided.

*On Beyond* THIS WEEK (cont'd)

**Tuesday, January 14, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Playgroup**  
The Nursery is open for parents with young children to spend time together in a fun space. Snack provided. Bring your own drinks/coffee.

**Wednesday, January 15, 9:15 – 11:30 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. Childcare available. For more information, contact Cheryl at [cherylhargraves@live.ca](mailto:cherylhargraves@live.ca).

*Other Important* NOTES

**Congratulations to...**Kevin & Jenny Usher on the birth of their daughter, Kayla Faith, on Thursday, December 12!

**Financial Summary...** as of December 15<sup>th</sup>.  
Budgeted to Date \$716,346  
Received to Date \$689,766  
Shortfall to Date \$26,580 (96.3% of budget)

**The Case of the Missing Sermon...** The third sermon in the Trinity series has been recorded and is available on our website at [www.wlachurch.org](http://www.wlachurch.org).

**Mission Peru Dinner Auction...** is soon coming up on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>! We are now taking reservations at the kiosk. Do plan to join us for this fun and exciting event!

**Numbered Offering envelopes...** Are now available for pick up! If you are not already using them but would like to request a set for 2014, please use a "Let Us Know You're Here" card to say so. And if you would like to participate in our automatic withdrawal "Pre-Approved Donation Plan", enrollment forms are in the chair pockets. *Thanks!*

**WLA and the Food Bank...** We're partnering with the North West Region Food Bank. A great opportunity to serve community families. Please donate non-perishable food items to our box in the foyer.

**Every year at Christmas...** we present our pastoral and office staff with a cash Christmas gift. To contribute, please use an envelope marked "Staff Gift".

**ESL for Men...** Starting in the new year. If you are interested in getting involved with this new initiative, please contact Graham at [grahamb@wlachurch.org](mailto:grahamb@wlachurch.org).

**Have you checked the Church Family Mailbox today?...** It is overflowing with Christmas cards and other good things.

*Growzone* NOTES

*Our thanks in advance to next Sunday's Nursery workers...*  
**10:00 a.m.** Mary Anne MacCrone, Merel Wharry, Heidi Martin, Nancy Whynot, Kerry Anderson, Thea Close, Chris & Beth MacDougall, Cheryl Hargraves.

*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)

**Sundays, 9:15 a.m. SHIFT** - A church service for Junior Highs at 9:15 Sunday mornings! Come on out to the Core for messages, worship and small group time! We are taking a break for Christmas, and will resume again on Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. See you then, and have a great break!

**Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.** Club Core is taking a Christmas break. We will resume on Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. Have a great holiday!

**SENIOR CORE** (Grades 9-12)

**Wednesdays, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.** We are taking a break for the Christmas holidays. Senior Core will kick back into action on Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, with Dave kicking off our new series "Life & Death". Have a very restful Christmas Holiday!

**OASIS** (18-24ish)

Oasis will be back in action on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Core. We'll be continuing our 'gods of war' series with Kyle Idleman. Looking for something to do for New Years? We're having a party at Marcel & Kelly Boers' house. Contact Dave ([dave@wlachurch.org](mailto:dave@wlachurch.org)) for details.

*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 and live for 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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**Jude St. John**, Apprentice Pastor  
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