

# Merry Christmas!!

Sunday, December 25, 2016

## Today at W.L.A.

### **10:00 a.m. Worship Service**

(Christmas in the) Psalms Psalm 68:18  
Today we look at Jesus, who is, among other wonderful things, the receiver and the giver of gifts.

We do not have infant care this morning, but the Nursery is open for parents to take their children.

### **11:30 a.m. WLA Christmas Lunch**

If you are interested in enjoying a shared potluck meal at the church today, please come to the Core after the service!

## NOT This Week at W.L.A. (but most weeks)

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

Join us as we encourage one another through prayer and discussion related to the Sunday ministry. For info, contact Deb Wilkins at (519) 471-4133. Resumes **January 10<sup>th</sup>**.

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

Join us again beginning **January 10<sup>th</sup>**, when the nursery will be open for parents with young children to spend time together in a fun space, enjoying the company of other kids and parents. Bring your own drinks, snack provided. For further details, please contact Thea Close at (519) 281-7947 or [thea.close@gmail.com](mailto:thea.close@gmail.com).

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

There is no Drop-In this week, but join us in the New Year when we start up again on **January 10<sup>th</sup>**!

### **Wednesday, 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 [cherylhargraves@live.ca](mailto:cherylhargraves@live.ca) or 226-271-5346. We will start up again **January 11<sup>th</sup>**.

### **Thursday, 6:00 – 7:30 a.m. Men's Morning**

All men are welcome to join us for prayer and accountability. For info, email Pastor Jude at [jude@wlachurch.org](mailto:jude@wlachurch.org). Resumes **January 5<sup>th</sup>**.

### **Thursday, 12:00 Noon Forevergreen Luncheon**

There is no Luncheon this week, but make sure to join us on **January 12<sup>th</sup>** for a nice hot lunch (\$7/person), with Alliance International Workers Matt & Connie Russell.

### **Friday, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Women's ESL Conversation Circles**

Registration Day for the Winter ESL Session is Friday, **January 6**, 2017. Contact Laura at 226-239-4950 or [slee.laura@gmail.com](mailto:slee.laura@gmail.com) with any questions you have. Please join us!

## On Beyond THIS WEEK

### **Sunday, January 1, 10:00 a.m. New Years Day Service**

One Sunday morning service. No infant care offered, although the Seedlings' rooms will be open for parents to take their children.

### **January 9-15**

We are pleased to let you know that Matt & Connie Russell, Alliance International Workers to South East Asia will be with us during this week. They plan to visit many of our ministries and will be speaking at our two morning services on Sunday, January 15. As well, we will be taking a WLA Cares offering on that Sunday, for their ministry work in South East Asia.

## Other Important NOTES

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

**Receipting for year end donations...** Please note that Revenue Canada's Income Tax Act states that any collections received on Sunday, January 1, 2017 will be a 2017 gift, regardless of the date that may exist on a donation cheque. If you wish a 2016 receipt, please have your donations into the office no later than **Thursday, December 29<sup>th</sup>**.

**Numbered Offering envelopes...** are now available for pick up in the office. If you are not already using them but would like to request a set for 2017, please use a "Connection" 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!*

**Drivers are Needed...** to help pick-up and drop-off food for the Foodbank Depot at Sherwood Forest Mall, on the third Tuesday of the month. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact [grahamb@wlachurch.org](mailto:grahamb@wlachurch.org) or [angela@wlachurch.org](mailto:angela@wlachurch.org).

**Taste of Home...** If you are a student in London and missing the comforts of home, let us know and one of our WLA families will have you over for a great home-cooked meal! Also, if you are looking for a Sunday morning ride to church, we can arrange that too. Just contact [dave@wlachurch.org](mailto:dave@wlachurch.org) for more details.

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

## Youth STUFF



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** Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Shift will resume **January 8<sup>th</sup>**!

**Tuesdays, 6:30—8:30 p.m.** Club Core: We will resume on **January 10<sup>th</sup>**! Looking forward to seeing you then!

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

**This Wednesday, 6:00—9:00 p.m.** We are on our Christmas Break! We'll be resuming Senior High on Wednesday, **January 11<sup>th</sup>** with a visit from our own Alliance International Workers, Matt & Connie Russell. Have a great Christmas Break!

### **YOUNG ADULTS (18-25ish)**

We are on our Christmas Break! Young Adults will start up again on Sunday, **January 15<sup>th</sup>**, with guest speaker Scott Whynot, who will be addressing the question "Just How Old is the Earth?" Have a great Christmas Break!

## 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 "**Connection Card**" located in the seat pocket in front of you, 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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