

# Sunday, December 22, 2019

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

**Anticipation: Expectation, Hope, and Christmas** Isaiah 11:1-9

This second of two Christmas sermons looks at the anticipation so many experience at Christmas time and considers the expectancy and hope at the birth of the Messiah.

**8:00 – 8:50 a.m. All Welcome Prayer Ministry**  
**9:00 a.m. JK - Grade 5 Growzone**

**10:15 a.m. Coffee, tea and time to talk. In the gym. Intermission**

**11:00 a.m. JK - Grade 5 Growzone**  
**11:00 a.m. Grades 3 - 6 Junior Bible Quizzing**  
**11:00 a.m. Grades 7 - 12 Senior Bible Quizzing**  
**11:00 a.m. Arabic Fellowship Core**

## *This Week at W.L.A.*

**Tuesday, 6:15 – 7:30 a.m. Women's Prayer**  
Join us on January 7 when we continue to encourage one another through prayer and discussion related to the Sunday ministry! Please contact either Barb Postma at (519) 471-0535 or Deb Wilkins at (519) 859-4133 if you have questions.

**Tuesday, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Playgroup**  
The nursery will be open again on January 7 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 Michelle Sutton-Luminoso at (226) 213-6656 or [msg0515@gmail.com](mailto:msg0515@gmail.com).

**Tuesday, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Seniors' Community Drop-In**  
Resuming January 7, 2020. Join us for coffee, snacks, euchre, an exercise class, table games, and much more!

**Wednesday, 9:15 – 11:30 a.m. TLC**  
**The Ladies Connection...** We are on break over Christmas until January 8<sup>th</sup>. TLC will begin our winter study on January 29, studying "In His Image" by Jen Wilkins. Registration will be January 15 & 22 from 9:15 – 9:40 a.m. For more information contact Cheryl at [cherylhargravestlc@outlook.com](mailto:cherylhargravestlc@outlook.com) or (226) 271-5346.

**Thursday, 6:30 – 7:30 a.m. Men's Morning**  
All men are welcome to join us Thursdays, beginning again on January 9, at 6:30 a.m. for prayer and fellowship. For info, email Pastor Jude at [jude@wlachurch.org](mailto:jude@wlachurch.org).

**Friday, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Women's ESL Conversation Circles**  
Please plan to join us for our winter session which begins on January 17<sup>th</sup>. Questions? Contact Laura at 226-239-4950 or [esl@wlachurch.org](mailto:esl@wlachurch.org) for more information.

## *On Beyond THIS WEEK*

**Tuesday, December 24, 3:00 p.m. Seniors' Christmas Eve Service**  
This service, which will take place in the Fireside Room, is geared to seniors, however, anyone is free to come! If the other times on Christmas Eve do not work for you, we would love to have you join us.

**Tuesday, December 24 Christmas Eve Services**  
This Christmas Eve we celebrate the birth of Christ at **4:00, 6:00, & 8:00 p.m.** At 4:00 p.m. we will have a family service with a "family flavour" that kids will enjoy. The 6:00 & 8:00 p.m. services will both have carols, the Christmas story, and a short homily. During all services there will be no childcare provided, but the nursery will be open. Please come and worship with us this Christmas Eve!

**Sunday, December 29 Best Wishes to the Ngabwe Family!**  
Join us in the gym during Intermission for cake, and to wish Mario & Kendra well in their future endeavours! A Love Offering will be received on behalf of Mario & Kendra at the end of both services. This will be a direct gift to them and as such is not receiptable. If you wish to contribute with a cheque, please be sure it is made payable to them, as any cheques written to WLA for them will be returned.

**Sunday, January 5, 6:00 p.m. Congregational Prayer Meeting**  
Join us in the sanctuary to start the new year with a time of repentance, renewal and prayer.

## *Other Important NOTES*

**Numbered Offering envelopes...** are now available for pick up in the church mailboxes! If you are not already using them but would like to request a set for 2020, please use a "Connection" card to let us know. Or if you would prefer to participate in our automatic withdrawal "Pre-Approved Donation Plan", enrollment forms are in the chair pockets. *Thanks!*

**Meals for Moms...** Anyone interested in blessing our new moms with meals are asked to contact Judith Gaunt at [judith@wlachurch.org](mailto:judith@wlachurch.org).

## *Growzone NOTES*

**Our thanks in advance to next Sunday's Nursery workers...**

**9:00 a.m.** Karyn Koopman, Alicia Hiebert, Kate Standish, Lauren VanderPloeg, Colleen Seabrook, Gayle L'Heureux, Michelle Koch, Penelope Argall, Cheryl Hargraves, Mackenzie Neable.

**11:00 a.m.** Anna Magwood, Lana Luke, Noor Salim, Katherine Argall.

## *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, 9:00 a.m. SHIFT** This week, we will finish looking at the prophesy about the shoot of Jesse and the world that he will bring. NO SHIFT NEXT WEEK (December 29). SHIFT resumes January 5, 2020. See you next year!

**Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.** Thank you for a great time at the 2019 Reindeer games! We are finished for the year and will resume on Tuesday, January 7, 2020, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

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

**Wednesday, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.** Thank you to all who attended the Semi-Formal Christmas Banquet. We are taking a break for Christmas and will meet again on Wednesday, January 8, 2020, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Remember the WhatsApp group chat!

### **Mission Peru Meeting: Saturday, December 28, All-Day Training**

Watch email for details. Next Mission Peru Meeting will be Sunday, January 12, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

**YOUNG ADULTS** (18-25ish) Tonight we will be heading downtown to do some carolling. Meet at the Northwest corner of Victoria Park at 6:30 p.m. (across the street from Symposium). We will move to a couple of different locations and wrap up around 8:00 p.m. Afterwards you are invited over to the Worrads' place to hang out. Hope to see you there!

## *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 **Connection Kiosk** in the Front Foyer. 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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