

# FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 4 - 11, 2024

If you haven't liked us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> be sure to do so! We have a lot going on in our church family and we're continually updating these pages with info and images about our church family.

We invite you to join us in-person on Sunday mornings. You can also stream the sermons via our <u>Youtube channel</u>.

Contact the Church Office at <u>info@arlingtonwoods.ca</u> if you would like to receive our **Weekly Email Blast** to stay informed on the life of our church.

To **donate** to Arlington Woods Church, go to https://arlingtonwoods.ca/donate.php.

Are you new? by filling out our **online welcome card** we are able to connect you to our church community! <a href="https://arlingtonwoods.ca/welcome.php">https://arlingtonwoods.ca/welcome.php</a>.

Watch **Kidzone weekly videos** at <a href="https://arlingtonwoods.ca/kids.php">https://arlingtonwoods.ca/kids.php</a>. These include worship, drama and animation for kids of all ages.

**Small groups** are an important part of our church community life. Click <u>HERE</u> to find a list of our current small groups.

## **FRIDAY**

No events scheduled

## **SATURDAY**

No events scheduled

# **THIS SUNDAY**

# For Sunday, August 4, 2024:

**9:00-9:30 a.m. - WHITE PINE CAFÉ OPEN:** Our Café is open before and after services. For details visit <a href="https://arlingtonwoods.ca/cafe">https://arlingtonwoods.ca/cafe</a>. Interested in volunteering at or baking for our café? Email <a href="mailto:cafe@arlingtonwoods.ca">cafe@arlingtonwoods.ca</a>.

**9:30-9:50 a.m. - PRE-SERVICE PRAYER IN PERSON & ON ZOOM:** All are welcome every Sunday morning for pre-service prayer in Prayer Room or by zoom link through email.

**10:00 a.m. - ARLINGTON WOODS CHURCH SERVICE - IN-PERSON & ONLINE:** Join us at 10:00 a.m. for our Sunday Service!

Hello AW church family,

Something new, but let me (Pastor Cliff) explain where this new thing is coming from first... There is a crisis of leadership in Canada. There are not enough pastors in the bull-pen to step up as current pastors retire or leave the ministry. The question I'd like us to respond to is "how can we help develop pastors?" Not just pastors, but board members, Sunday School teachers, missionaries, youth workers, worship team members, Christian entrepreneurs, etc! How do we create a church family culture that includes helping each other discover gifts and passions that God has given us? One way that I have thought of is to create a "preaching team". These are men and women who might have speaking/teaching gifts, who have rich relationships with Jesus, and who love AW. These individuals will contribute to the development of

preaching series, will learn to prepare a message, speak and then receive feedback from the team. I have included on the team seasoned speakers who will help me to come alongside the other team members. In August you will meet a few of the members of the preaching team! The series we will be moving through, in our transition from Malachi to a New Testament book in the Fall, is "Foundations". This series outlines core Arlington Woods Free Methodist Church beliefs.

**Foundations: The Perfect Blend** - Justice gives us what we deserve. Mercy doesn't give us all that we deserve. Grace gives us what we don't deserve. So, what is this 'Grace'? How do I get my hands on it? This week we're welcoming Rev. Stanley Hanna. Rev. Stanley Hanna was born and raised in Picton Ontario to very active lay people in the Free Methodist Church, where he was exposed early on to congregational life and service as a 'way of life'. His calling to vocation in ordained ministry came in his mid teens and following secondary school he went on to receive his formal education with a degree in theology and a masters in divinity with an emphasis on Biblical studies. He recently celebrated forty-four years in ordained ministry and retired in June 2023. He is the former Academic Dean and Vice President of Aldersgate College in Saskatchewan. He also became a regular lecturer at the Ottawa School of Theology and Spirituality starting in 2004. A trained vocalist, he has taught voice, sung professionally as a guest

principal soloist, and for a period of time sang with the Musica Viva Singers of Ottawa. He has served in leadership and administrative roles in local churches as well as at national church levels, including the National Study Commission on Doctrine and Ministerial Education Guidance and Placement Committee for the Free Methodist Church in Canada.

Pastor Stan and wife Martha will celebrate their forty-ninth wedding anniversary this summer. Martha recently retired after 22 years as the Office Administrator for Southminster United Church in Ottawa. The Hanna's have four adult children, a son-in-law, and three grandchildren. Their hobbies and interests include reading, music, woodworking, sailing, kayaking, sewing, woodturning, and spending time with the grandchildren

The nursery will be staffed and KIDZone will be happening.

To watch the sermon for this week, <u>click here</u>.

<u>Click here</u> to check out our FAQ on in-person services.

KIDZONE JK-6 kids program on Sunday mornings. <u>Click</u> for more information.

If you missed the message from last Sunday, view the service here

#### **MONDAY**

**CHURCH OFFICE** - Please note that the church office will be closed for the long weekend. Regular office hours will resume tomorrow.

**WHITE PINE CAFÉ** - Please note that the Café will be closed for the long weekend. Visit <a href="https://arlingtonwoods.ca/cafe">https://arlingtonwoods.ca/cafe</a>. Interested in volunteering at or baking for our café? Email cafe@arlingtonwoods.ca.

## **TUESDAY**

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. - VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING ON ZOOM, special focus on Church and Community needs. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the ZOOM link and e-mail <u>emily@arlingtonwoods.ca</u> for the meeting ID and passcode.

## WEDNESDAY

**SMALL GROUPS** Join the Precept Small Group for a summer drop-in study on prayer. We will be meeting twice a month (1st and 3rd Wednesday - August 7th & 21st) in the Fireside Room. Here's a sneak peek on who's leading and what we'll be covering each week:

August 7th - Trevor & Angie Nehring: 1 Thess 5:12-28, Pray Without Ceasing

August 21st - Dave Villeneuve: What About The Person In The Jungle Who's Never Heard The Gospel?

## **THURSDAY**

**6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT** If you volunteer on a regular basis we'd love it if you'd join us for an appreciation potluck on Thursday, August 8th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in Evergreen. Please bring your favourite salad or main dish and RSVP to karlene@arlingtonwoods.ca.

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11:30 a.m. - MEET ME AT THE PARK: Save the date! Pack up your picnic basket, grab your outdoor games (there's a splash pad!) and hangout with your church family on August 11 after the service at Ben Franklin Park, <a href="CLICK HERE">CLICK HERE</a> for a map. If it's raining we'll be meeting in Evergreen.

#### **COMING EVENTS**

1. An Invitation From the FMCIC National Prayer Team The FMCIC senses the Lord is stirring up a spirit of prayer in us and we do not want to neglect this gift. So, you are invited to join us for 12-noon to 12:30 pm, Eastern Time, 6-days-a-week (Monday to Saturday), prayer meetings, until the end of August. These prayer meetings are open to anyone who would like to join in prayer for the FMCIC and Canada.

Click here to join the Zoom meeting

Meeting ID: 885 3284 1873

Passcode: 105883

**2. Volunteer Appreciation Night** If you volunteer on a regular basis we'd love it if you'd join us for an appreciation potluck on Thursday, August 8th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in Evergreen. Please bring your favourite salad or main dish and RSVP to <a href="mailto:karlene@arlingtonwoods.ca">karlene@arlingtonwoods.ca</a>.

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- **4. Summer Blast 2024** We are excited to host Summer Blast Kids Night @ 5:15 pm to 8:15 pm on Wednesdays, August 14 for kids going into SK-grade 6 in the fall. The evening will include supper followed by music, a Bible time, crafts and games. For more info and to register, visit <a href="https://www.arlingtonwoods.ca/summerblast.php">https://www.arlingtonwoods.ca/summerblast.php</a>. We have limited registration so register early! The deadline to register is the week before.
- <u>5. Scripture Marathon</u> Connecting Streams invites you to be part of our first Scripture Marathon, bringing the Word of God to the streets of Ottawa. Various individuals will be publicly reading the New Testament scripture over the weekend of August 16-18, 2024! For more details and to sign up to read <u>CLICK HERE</u>.
- <u>6. Family Finder</u> We're working on updating our church family finder! Please take some time on Sunday to stop by the welcome desk and check to make sure that your information is up to date. If there are any changes or you would like a new picture added please send the information to <a href="mailto:emily@arlingtonwoods.ca">emily@arlingtonwoods.ca</a>. On August 18th see Thomas in Evergreen if you'd like your picture updated.
- <u>7. Annual Golf Tournament</u> Our annual golf tournament will be happening this year on Saturday, September 7th at Greensmere Golf and Country Club. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for all the details.
- **8. International Potluck** This year we're kicking off the start of the Fall with an International Potluck! Join us after church on September 15th in Evergreen as we celebrate the different cultures within our congregation and play some games together as a church family. Bring your favourite dish representing your heritage as well as a card that has your name, the name of the dish, country of origin and just ingredients (in case of allergies).
- **9. Discovery Lunch** Are you new-ish to Arlington Woods Church? Want to learn about what's going on in the life of our church family? Join us for lunch in Evergreen after the service on September 29th. RSVP by e-mailing <a href="mailto:emily@arligntonwoods.ca">emily@arligntonwoods.ca</a> or sign up at the welcome desk by September 22nd and let us know how many people will be attending as well as if you have any allergies.

- 10. Pastoral Care Course There's a Pastoral Care course happening on Zoom Course this Fall from Tuesday, November 5th from 7- 9pm. This session, called A Pastoral Response to the Challenges of MAiD, will explore an approach focusing on compassion, empathy and journeying with patients as they search for meaning in their suffering. The session will be led by Roshene Lawson, Clinical Chaplain with Bruyère Continuing Care at St. Vincent Hospital in Ottawa. CLICK HERE for the program brochure.
- 11. Pay It Forward Our debt retirement campaign kicked off on October 28. Click HERE for more information about it as well as upcoming campaign events.
- **12. Bread Basket Logo** We're still looking for a logo for our new bread Basket ministry. Do you have a great idea but need graphics for it? Give us your ideas and we'll see what we can do.

#### **CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION**

- **1. AWC Men's Ministry** If you would like to be added to the Men's Ministry email list, please email <a href="mailto:mensministry@arlingtonwoods.ca">mensministry@arlingtonwoods.ca</a>.
- **2. Arlington Woods Church Board** Have you got a question for the church's board or want more information? You can e-mail the board at <a href="mailto:AWCBoard@arlingtonwoods.ca">AWCBoard@arlingtonwoods.ca</a>
- 3. Arlington Woods Bread Basket We want to let you know about a new and exciting opportunity, we have accepted a partnership with Lionhearts Food Rescue and Redistribution organization. Arlington Woods Church, will look after picking up, packaging and redistributing the unsold baking from the Cob's at Bells corners 1 day a week, that being Saturday evenings.

Does this sound interesting for you to be a part of?

Does this type of volunteering excite you?

And/or Do you or your neighbour have need?

If you are interested in volunteering and finding out more about this new ministry please email <a href="mailto:breadbasket@arlingtonwoods.ca">breadbasket@arlingtonwoods.ca</a>.

- **4. Small Groups** are an important part of our church community life. Click HERE to find a list of our current small groups.
- <u>5. Membership</u> Membership is an important part in the life of our church family. If you're interested in finding out more information or signing up, talk to one of the Pastoral Staff members.
- 6. Tithes and Offerings Visit the church website <a href="https://arlingtonwoods.ca/donate">https://arlingtonwoods.ca/donate</a> for Online, Credit Card or Pre-Authorized Auto Debit options or visit the Welcome Centre in person for a Pre-Authorized Auto Debit brochure and form. Thank you for your continued financial support. If you have any questions, please contact the Head Teller at <a href="mailto:qiving@arlingtonwoods.ca">qiving@arlingtonwoods.ca</a>.
- **7. Daily Bread Devotional Guides** Copies of the Daily Bread devotional guides for June July August are available at the Welcome Desk. If you can't be at church in person but would like a copy of Daily Bread, please email <a href="mailto:info@arlingtonwoods.ca">info@arlingtonwoods.ca</a> with your mailing address.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS**

- **1. Ottawa RedBlacks Faith and Family Day** September 7th @1pm the Ottawa Redblacks are facing Toronto. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for tickets and more details. Post-Game Activities and Player Panel Discussion around Faith from 5-6pm (chance to meet the players).
- **2. Ministry Benefit Concert** Saturday, September 14th you're invited to attend a benefit concert featuring The Collingsworth Family & Triumphant Quartet in support of Christian Counselling Ottawa, Jericho Road, One Way Ministries, and CHRI Radio. CLICK HERE for more details and tickets.
- **3. Respond Ottawa** Many local agencies (foodbanks, community houses, inner-city missions) are running low on essential items and the number of requests has grown significantly. Click <u>HERE</u> for a list of food banks in the Ottawa area to contact.
- **4. FAMSAC Donations -** Please bring your food bank donations to the FAMSAC bin in our church lobby. Regular donations are vital to their sustainability.

Most needed items: sugar (2 kg bag), flour (2.5 kg bag), cooking oil, granola bars, fruit cups, oatmeal.