

FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1 - 8, 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 Youtube channel.

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! https://arlingtonwoods.ca/welcome.php.

Watch **Kidzone weekly videos** at https://arlingtonwoods.ca/kids.php. 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, September 1, 2024:

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

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!

Foundations: Made For Community - Did you know that our movement grew out of a Godordained model of community? Over 300 years ago, while at Oxford University, John and Charles Wesley began a Small Group with a few other friends that was mockingly referred to as "The Holy Club" and that marked the beginnings of the Methodist Church. It was not a novel idea because they understood that God created us to be in community with one another, and from the beginning of time, He modelled the perfect community through the Trinity of three distinct persons, existing as One. Whether or not you're part of a Small Group, you'll want to hear how you can live a more meaningful life as God intended and how together, we can best live out the over 50 one-another verses found in Scripture.

This week we'll hear from Yolande Parsons. Over the years, the AWC family has been a great source of support to them, particularly when her husband passed away. During that difficult season, accompanied by a major life crisis, Yolande entered a season of deepened faith where she earnestly sought God's will and calling on her life. With a renewed commitment to following Jesus, she sensed the call to ministry and began studies at Heritage College & Seminary, from which she obtained a Certificate in Christian Studies. She is currently tracking for pastoral ministry with FMCIC and was installed as a lay minister at AWC in 2023.

Yolande is passionate about seeing Christ-followers growing in their faith and living authentically changed lives. She thrives in community where she delights in building friendships and encouraging learning & spiritual growth. She considers leading her Precept Small Group as one of the highlights of her week, as she is able to bear witness to many life transformations and use her gift of hospitality.

She serves as the Chair of the AWC Board and is on the AWC Hospitality team. She is a widow and has one adult daughter, Yelena.

The nursery will be staffed and KIDZone will be happening. Please note that the KIDZONE kids will be moving up to their new school grade on Sunday, September 1. This includes nursery kids who are starting JK.

To watch the sermon for this week, click here.

Click here to check out our FAQ on in-person services.

KIDZONE JK-6 kids program on Sunday mornings. Click 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 today due to the long weekend.

WHITE PINE CAFÉ - Please note that the White Pine Café will be closed today due to the long weekend. Visit https://arlingtonwoods.ca/cafe. 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 Small groups are an important part of our church family. Click <u>HERE</u> to find a list of our current small groups.

THURSDAY

9:30 - 11:30 a.m. - WHITE PINE CAFÉ - Our Café will be open on Thursdays at 9:30a.m. serving fair trade, organic Equator coffee and teas as well as home made baking! Invite a friend or relax alone. Visit https://arlingtonwoods.ca/cafe. Interested in volunteering at or baking for our café? Email cafe@arlingtonwoods.ca.

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FRIDAY

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. - YOUNG ADULTS WORSHIP NIGHT - We're planning a Young Adult Worship Night on Friday, September 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in Creekside. We're excited to try something new and if you're a young adult we'd love to have you be a part of this evening. If you're planning on coming please e-mail Thomas at thomas@arlingtonwoods.ca.

SATURDAY

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NEXT SUNDAY

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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 September. 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. Young Adults Worship Night** We're planning a Young Adult Worship Night on Friday, September 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in Creekside. We're excited to try something new and if you're a young adult we'd love to have you be a part of this evening. If you're planning on coming please e-mail Thomas at thomas@arlingtonwoods.ca.
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- **4. 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). Please bring your dish in a serving container with the proper serving utensils to allow for easy clean up!
- **5. JOY Fraud Prevention Seminar** Join us on Thursday, September 19th in Evergreen from 1:00-3:00 p.m. as we hear from the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre. During the presentation they'll be discussing what mass marketing fraud is, the top solicitation methods and top payment methods, the top 10 scams and more.
- **6. Fall Hike** We're looking forward to taking in all the beauty of the Fall colours! Join us September 22 after the service at Beaver Trail (<u>CLICK HERE</u> for a map). This is an easy walking trail. We'd ask that you sign up at the welcome desk and the day of the hike meet in the lobby after the service before heading out.

- **7. Church Family Meeting** On Sunday, September 29th following the service we're going to be having a membership meeting. If you consider Arlington Woods to be your home church we'd like to invite you to attend. More details will follow but we wanted to make sure you save the date.
- **8. Men's Breakfast** All men are welcome to join us for a men's breakfast on Saturday, October 5 at 8:00 a.m. We'll have lots of coffee, delicious food and great conversation. Sign up at the welcome desk or e-mail mensministry@arlingtonwoods.ca.
- <u>9. Discovery Lunch</u> 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 October 27th. RSVP by e-mailing emily@arligntonwoods.ca or sign up at the welcome desk and let us know how many people will be attending as well as if you have any allergies.
- 10. Change Conference CATALYST IS GOING TO CHANGE CONFERENCE!!! Join us on November 1-2 at Bethel Church in Ottawa. This event is a fantastic opportunity for youth to grow in their faith and take bold steps in their spiritual journey. CLICK HERE for all the details.
- 11. 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.
- <u>12. Pay It Forward</u> Our debt retirement campaign kicked off on October 28. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information about it as well as upcoming campaign events.
- **13. 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 mensministry@arlingtonwoods.ca.
- **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 AWCBoard@arlingtonwoods.ca
- 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 breadbasket@arlingtonwoods.ca.

- **4. Small Groups** are an important part of our church community life. Click <u>HERE</u> to find a list of our current small groups.
- **5. Membership** 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 https://arlingtonwoods.ca/donate 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 giving@arlingtonwoods.ca.
- **7. Daily Bread Devotional Guides** Copies of the Daily Bread devotional guides for September October November 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 info@arlingtonwoods.ca 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. TACA Community Day TACA is hosting their annual community day on Saturday, September 21 from 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. CLICK HERE to find out all of the details.
- **4. 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.
- **5. 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, egg cartons.