

FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 19 - NOVEMBER 26, 2023

Click <u>HERE</u> to access the November and December Calendar and get an easy glimpse of the weekly activities as well as upcoming events.

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. We also stream our services on our Youtube channel.

Contact the Church Office at info@arlingtonwoods.ca 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.

Arlington Woods Church Giving Summary:

The budget for Arlington Woods Church for 2023 is \$541,912.

To date we have received \$395,425.

In the remaining 7 weeks we need \$146,487 which works out to \$20,926 per week.

FRIDAY

6:30-9:00 p.m. Friday, November 17 - CATALYST YOUTH (grades 6 to 12) is meeting in the Creekside Room. Drop in between 6:30-7:00 p.m. to hang out and play on some of our games tables or challenge a friend to a board game. CATALYST Youth then runs from 7:00-9:00 p.m. featuring fun games, worship music, a Bible-based talk, and a chance to connect in groups. Email ben@arlingtonwoods.ca for more information.

SATURDAY

1:00-7:00 p.m. - DAY OF PRAYER We would love for you to participate with us on our DAY OF PRAYER on November 18th! This is a special drop-in event from 1:00-7:00 p.m. where you can come and join us at a time that's convenient for you! Coffee, water and snacks will be available throughout the day with some special kids snacks following the kids prayer focus! Click HERE for more information as well as the schedule for that day.

THIS SUNDAY

For Sunday, November 19, 2023:

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 & ON ZOOM:

Belonging: God's plan is to provide us with a place where we belong - it's called the church. Through the actions of His Son and the direction of the Holy Spirit, we have a place where we can come together in community and learn what it means to be followers of Jesus. You won't want to miss this Sunday. Come cheer your church family on as some take the next step in their faith!

The Sweetest Things: Christmas Production 2023 Practices for our Christmas Production (for grades 3-12) begin THIS SUNDAY! Practices will take place from Nov. 5-Dec. 10 during KIDZONE in the Creekside Room. The production is happening on Sunday, December 17 during the service! E-mail christinev@arlingtonwoods.ca to receive Christmas Production email updates.

To connect to our livestream service, click here.

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

KIDZONE JK-6 kids program on Sunday mornings. Click for more information.

Follow the Sunday Message with YouVersion Click to view the notes for this Sunday!

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

MONDAY

9:00-11:30 a.m. - WHITE PINE CAFÉ: The café will be open Mondays at 9 a.m., serving fair trade, organic Equator coffee and teas as well as homemade 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.

9:00-11:00 a.m. - PARENTS OF PRESCHOOLERS (POP) We invite you to attend POP with your preschoolers and help our church connect with our community. Visit www.arlingtonwoods.ca/pop for details and to register for the new school year.

7:00-8:00 p.m. - VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING ON ZOOM, special focus on Canada and our leaders. Check your weekly church emails for the ZOOM link.

TUESDAY

7:00-8:00 p.m. - VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING ON ZOOM, special focus on Church and Community needs. Check your weekly church emails for the ZOOM link.

WEDNESDAY

7:00-8:30 p.m. - PRECEPT BIBLE STUDIES (weekly, in person, Room K). Yolande Parsons will be leading this small group and we will be studying the topic of Prayer through *Kay Arthur's "Lord Teach Me How to Pray"* book. All are welcome!

THURSDAY

9:30-11:30 a.m. - WHITE PINE CAFÉ OPEN: Our Café will be open Thursdays at 9:30 a.m., serving fair trade, organic Equator coffee and teas as well as homemade 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.

1:00-3:00 p.m. - JOY CHRISTMAS MELODIES AND TALES A festive celebration for those that are Just Older Youth! Join us on Thursday, November 23rd from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the Evergreen Hall. We'll having refreshments, playing games, singing songs and listening to stories and poems by various guests.

7:00-8:00 p.m. - VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETING ON ZOOM, special focus on Pastors and church leaders, Check your weekly church emails for the ZOOM link.

FRIDAY

6:30-9:00 p.m. Friday, November 24 - CATALYST YOUTH (grades 6 to 12) is meeting in the Creekside Room. Drop in between 6:30-7:00 p.m. to hang out and play on some of our games tables or challenge a friend to a board game. CATALYST Youth then runs from 7:00-9:00 p.m. featuring fun games, worship music, a Bible-based talk, and a chance to connect in groups. Email ben@arlingtonwoods.ca for more information.

SATURDAY

No events scheduled!

NEXT SUNDAY

For Sunday, November 26, 2023:

9:00-9:30 a.m. - WHITE PINE CAFÉ OPEN: Our Café will be open before and after the service. 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! Check your weekly church emails for the ZOOM link or join us in person in the Prayer Room.

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

The nursery will be staffed and KIDZone will be happening.

The Sweetest Things: Christmas Production 2023 Practices for our Christmas Production (for grades 3-12) have begun. Practices will take place from Nov. 5-Dec. 10 during KIDZONE in the Creekside Room. The production is happening on Sunday, December 17 during the service! E-mail christinev@arlingtonwoods.ca to receive Christmas Production email updates.

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 November. These prayer meetings are open to anyone who would like to join in prayer for the FMCIC and Canada.

Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87032978936

Meeting ID: 833 9849 7735

Passcode: 121030

- **2. Day Of Prayer** We would love for you to participate with us on our DAY OF PRAYER on November 18th! This is a special drop-in event from 1:00-7:00 p.m. where you can come and join us at a time that's convenient for you! Coffee, water and snacks will be available throughout the day with some special kids snacks following the kids prayer focus! Click HERE for more information as well as the schedule for that day.
- 3. Baptism & Membership We're going to be holding a Baptism and Membership Sunday on Sunday, November 19th. E-mail info@arligntonwoods.ca if you'd like more details.
- 4. JOY: Christmas Melodies and Tales A festive celebration for those that are Just Older Youth! Join us on Thursday, November 23rd from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the Evergreen Hall. We'll be having refreshments, playing games, singing songs and listening to stories and poems by various guests.
- <u>5. Annual Christmas Community Concert</u> You won't want to miss this! Our annual Community Christmas Concert is taking place on December 2 at 6:00 p.m. Come enjoy some festive music, carols and stay afterwards for some karaoke.
- <u>6. Connect Young Adults Lunch</u> Join us on December 3rd from 12-2:30pm. Be sure to contact Pastor Ben (<u>ben@arlingtonwoods.ca</u>) to RSVP by November 28th and get more info.
- 7. Blue Christmas Service If you've lost a loved one & are experiencing grief, please join us at Arlington Woods Free Methodist Church on Tuesday, December 5th from 7:00-9:00p.m. for our first ever Blue Christmas Service (sponsored by Tubman Funeral Homes). Throughout the course of the evening we will come together to acknowledge and find solace in the somber aspects of the holiday season, offering a space for reflection, hope and healing amidst the Christmas Season. RSVP to info@arlingtonwoods.ca.

- **8. Pay It Forward** Our debt retirement campaign kicked off on October 28. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information about it as well as upcoming campaign events.
- 9. The Sweetest Things: Christmas Production 2023 Our Christmas Production is happening! Practices for our Christmas Production begin Nov. 5-Dec. 10 during KIDZONE in the Creekside Room. The production is happening on Sunday, December 17 during the service! E-mail christinev@arlingtonwoods.ca to receive Christmas Production email updates.
- **10.** Deeper Roots for Teens (grade 7+) Please note that for November and December Deeper Roots will be pausing as the youth will be joining in the Christmas Production practices. The next Deeper Roots meeting will take place on January 21, 2024. For details, email christinev@arlingtonwoods.ca.
- **11. Staffed Nursery** The nursery will be staffed every week going forward unless we have a special Family Service. For more details visit www.arlingtonwoods.ca/kids.

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. Small Groups are an important part of our church community life. Click HERE to find a list of our current small groups.
- **3. Widows Support Group** The Widows Support Group provides a place to meet others who have lost their spouse and others who understand your loss, provides support to others who are feeling isolated and alone, and provides an opportunity to meet new friends. For more information, contact Jean Gordon by <a href="mailto:emailt
- **4. Membership** We're going to be holding a Baptism and Membership Sunday on Sunday, November 19th. Email info@arlingtonwoods.ca for more details.
- **5. 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 qiving@arlingtonwoods.ca.

- 6. Hymnals Feel free to take home a hymnal or two from the Welcome Desk.
- **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. The Lion The Witch And The Wardrobe 9th Hour Theatre Company will be presenting The Lion The Witch and The Wardrobe this year! December 14-17 at The Shenkman Arts Centre and December 19-23 at The Meridian Theatres at Centrepointe. For ticket sales & more details: https://buff.ly/3qWkhxa
- **2. 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.
- **3. 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: Granola bars, fruit cups, sugar, flour, oil, bags of rice and oatmeal.