#### **OUR MISSION**

Windsor Park United Church seeks to be a welcoming community. Based on the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, we nurture our faith and spiritual life by: worshipping and learning together, caring for each other, embracing our diversity, reaching out to those who live around us and working together in service to Creation.

# THE LIFE & WORK OF WPUC December 9, 2012 – December 16, 2012

Today	7 pm	Blue Christmas Service
Monday	6:15 pm	Sparks & Brownies
Tuesday	1 pm	Art Group
	6:30 pm	Congregational Caroling
	7:30 pm	UCW Unit 2 Mtg.
Wednesday	9:30 am	Moms 'n' Tots
Thursday	9:15 am	Study Group
	1:30 pm	Little Moccasins
	7:30 pm	Worship Choir practice
Friday	7:30 pm	UCW (YAH) Mtg.
Saturday	12:30 pm	Congregational Caroling
Next Sunday	9:30 am	Joyful Noise practice
	2:30 pm	<b>Christmas Choral Concert</b>

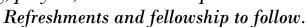
Christmas can be a hard time... when you miss someone you love, when you're facing illness or uncertainty, or when you

have to be far away from family and friends. Sometimes it helps to have quiet time to remember.

Join us at our

### **BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE**

TODAY at 7 pm. Come for a service of song, prayers, candles and hope.



#### Remember to pick-up your Lacoste poinsettias TODAY!



Please join in and help spread some Holiday Cheer! Congregational Caroling will be on Tuesday Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 9 pm. and Saturday Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> from 12:30pm – 2 pm.

The Worship Choir will be singing Christmas carols each Sunday from 10:15-10:25 am during Advent, for those of you who would like to come early and get in the "CHRISTMAS SPIRIT!"

Please join us for a wonderful afternoon of Christmas music! on <u>Sunday December 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm</u>

#### "A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION 2012

Songs of the Season"

featuring the Worship Choir, the Praise Singers and the Joyful Noise!

Tickets on sale after worship today.

Cost \$10.00

(children 12 and under FRFF)

### WPUC WILL DELIVER 25 CHRISTMAS HAMPERS THIS

YEAR! Your generosity helps make this a success. Please make a donation using the special envelopes provided in last week's bulletin or we have some at the back of the church. Delivery of the hampers will take place Saturday Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>. We are still looking for drivers. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board beside the office. Thank you for making this a very special Christmas for some needy families.

IT MAKES SENSE TO SAVE CENTS! RRING IN YOUR PENNIES!

The SAFEWAY GIFT CARD PROGRAM (pink form) has been a Major Fundraiser for our church. Since we started the program, \$24,353.75 has been raised. To enhance this type of Fundraising we are pleased to advise you that we have joined the SOBEYS GIFT CARD PROGRAM (white form). Orders will be taken today with the delivery of cards on December 9th. We hope this Fundraising Program will continue to be enthusiastically supported. REMEMBER... PICK-UP YOUR SOBEYS GIFT CARD ORDER TODAY!

#### PLEASE REMEMBER THAT DONATIONS...

must be received by December 31st, 2012 in order to qualify for a receipt in 2012. Donations received in 2013 will be receipted in 2013. Thank you for supporting your church!

The UCW would like to thank everyone who baked, volunteered and supported the Cookie Walk. It was a great success. We raised approx. \$1800.00! There are still 4 Christmas puddings left to sell @ \$8 each. See Luci or UCW member.

# Baptism

CONGRATULATIONS to Bill & Joanne Henderson on the baptism of their granddaughter, Marin Alexandra Pierce and their grandson, William Fraser Pierce, both born on February 22, 2012. They were baptised on December 5, 2012 at Riverview Health Centre.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

Trista Closen Susan Zinyk Scott Fidler

Kay Kendell

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Walter & Susan Zinyk

Next Week's Scripture Readings: Zephaniah 3: 14-20 Philippians 4: 4-7

The Winnipeg Presbytery Prayer Circle invites our prayers today for the Kirkfield Park U.C. and those in ministry there: Brenda Gibson

### DECEMBER SERVICES

December 9<sup>th</sup> - Advent 2

~ White Gift Sunday

7 pm - Blue Christmas Service

December 16th - Advent 3

2:30 pm - Choir Christmas Concert

December 22<sup>nd</sup> - Christmas Hampers

(packing & delivering)

December 23rd - Advent 4



December 24<sup>th</sup>

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

5 pm - "The Uproar in Bethlehem"

7 pm - "Christmas Reflections"

11 pm - Candlelight Communion