

#### Calendar of Events for

## CHRISTMAS

| December 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday     | – Country Blend's<br>Christmas and Classic Country<br>Concert beginning at 7:30 pm. |
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| December 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday     | – Second Sunday of Advent   |
| December 10 <sup>th</sup> Saturday  | <ul> <li>Packing &amp; Delivery of the Thinking<br/>of You baskets.</li> </ul>      |
| December 11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday    | – Third Sunday of Advent / White Gift Sunday.                                       |
| December 11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday    | – Christmas Caroling at the St.<br>Boniface Hospital from 1:30 –<br>3:30 p.m.       |
| December 13 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday   | – Christmas Caroling at Windsor<br>Park Place from 7 – 8 p.m.                       |
| December 17 <sup>th</sup> Saturday  | – Packing begins at 8:30 am &<br>Delivery of Hampers (need drivers)                 |
| December 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday    | – Fourth Sunday of Advent   |
| December 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday    | – WPUC's Christmas Concert beginning<br>at 3 pm.                                    |
| December 21 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday | – Blue Christmas Service beginning at<br>7 pm.                                      |
| December 24 <sup>th</sup> Saturday  | – Christmas Eve 5:30 pm Service and<br>9 pm Service.                                |
| December 25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday    | – Christmas Day Service beginning at 10:30 am.                                      |
| December 26 <sup>th</sup> Monday    | – Boxing Day (Office Closed)  |
| December 27 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday   | – Office Closed   |
| December 31 <sup>st</sup> Saturday  | – New Year's Eve Celebration (Family<br>Party - tentative)                          |

#### 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

November 27, 2016 – December 4, 2016

| Monday      | 6:15 pm | Sparks & Brownies            |
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|             | 6:30 pm | AOTS Dinner Mtg.             |
| Tuesday     | 1 pm    | Art Group                    |
| Wednesday   | 9:30 am | Tot Time                     |
|             | 7 pm    | BIBLE FOR DUMMIES            |
| Thursday    | 9:30 am | Study Group                  |
| -           | 6:30 pm | Joyful Noise Practice        |
|             | 7:30 pm | Worship Choir Practice       |
| Friday      | 7:30 pm | <b>Country Blend Concert</b> |
| Next Sunday | -       | Second Sunday of Advent      |

We would like to thank <u>M&PCC</u> for serving coffee during the month of November!

Don't forget if you missed attending Worship and you wish to have a copy of the Sunday service to listen to – please contact Luci at 256-8792.

Do you have children who would like to be part of the Christmas Concert? The JOYFUL NOISE CHRISTMAS CHOIR will practice on Dec 1, 8, and 15 from 6:30 – 7 p.m. See you there!

Our **Annual Chili Supper** went very well, folks were happy and hearts were full! \$236.25 was raised. Everyone filled up on chili, sang carols, decorated cookies and cupcakes, listened to Maya Angelou's wisdom on peace, then received candy canes and Christmas oranges from Santa's elf to take home!Many thanks to the YAHs for their initiative in keeping this event alive and to the organizers! Thanks to everyone else for pitching in and helping as needed. Plans are already in place for next year!!



#### Windsor Park United Church presents COUNTRY BLEND'S 'CHRISTMAS AND CLASSIC COUNTRY CONCERT'

on Friday December 2, 2016

at Windsor Park United Church, 1062 Autumnwood Drive beginning at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$20 for Adults. Age 15 & under \$10. Money raised will go to our General Fund.Volunteers are needed to bake cookies & cupcakes and make coffee for the intermission. Sign-up sheets are in the lobby.





Thank you to every one who signed up to sing carols at the St. Boniface Hospital and Windsor Park Place!

We would appreciate any donations of children's books appropriate for children 1 – 16 yrs. of age, for our Used Book Sale. Thank you!



#### Pick-up the latest copy of the SouthWinds! Which can be found on the table as you enter the sanctuary.

With the support of many friends, your Outreach Council will be preparing Christmas hampers for 20 families this season. The delivery date will be **Saturday, December 17**<sup>th</sup>. There are many different ways to get involved in this activity:

- Talk to Gwen Polak on the Outreach Council or a Sunday School coordinator about purchasing a gift for one of the children. The gifts are to be brought in for the White Gift Sunday service on Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Make a donation towards the purchase of groceries for the hampers. The Christmas Cheer Board provide guidelines for items to be included in each hamper and the average cost is \$100.00 (not including gifts). Most of the shopping has been done. (PHEW...) On Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, envelopes will be included with the Sunday bulletins. If you wish to make a donation, please insert it in that envelope, noting the amount and the # of your regular offering envelope. Your donation can be placed in the offering plate or dropped off in Luci's office.
- Sign-up as a volunteer driver to deliver the hampers. The sign- up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board beside Luci's office. <u>Drivers are needed</u>! You will be contacted and given further information during the week prior to the delivery date. Thank-you for any support that you can provide.

### M&PCC IS LOOKING FOR ITEMS FOR THE THINKING OF YOU

BASKETS. We would appreciate your help. The following is a list of suggestions. Of course, you may have some great ideas of your own! toothbrush, toothpaste, kleenex, sm. mouthwash, sm brush or comb, hand lotion, soap, denture tabs, deck of cards, sm. puzzle books, sm. writing pads, pens, shampoo/conditioner, shower caps, sm. pkg. of bandaids, christmas ornaments (unbreakable), individually wrapped christmas candy, sm boxes of tea/hot chocolate, lip balm, sm. tins of shortbread (dollar store) or anything you can think of that our shut ins and others would like and enjoy! Please leave any of these items in the box under the easel that's beside the coffee station in the lobby.

# **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Bev Baker Robin Ethier Flo Robinson Chris Saindon Ernie Zacharias Lauralee Cordiner Cameron Fidler Betty Rodgers Derek Seadon Lia Drawson Dayna Jeanson Raymond Rybuck Brent Sunley

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