



Calendar of Events for
CHRISTMAS

- December 10th Saturday – Packing at 9:30 am & Delivery at 12 Noon for the Thinking of You baskets.
- December 11th Sunday – Third Sunday of Advent / White Gift Sunday.
- December 11th Sunday – Christmas Caroling at the St. Boniface Hospital from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
- December 13th Tuesday – Christmas Caroling at Windsor Park Place from 7 – 8 p.m.
- December 17th Saturday – Packing begins at 8:30 am & Delivery of Hampers (need drivers)
- December 18th Sunday – Fourth Sunday of Advent
- December 18th Sunday – WPUC's Christmas Concert beginning at 3 pm.
- December 21st Wednesday – Blue Christmas Service beginning at 7 pm.
- December 24th Saturday – Christmas Eve 5:30 pm Service and 9 pm Service.
- December 25th Sunday – Christmas Day Service beginning at 10:30 am.
- December 26th Monday – Boxing Day (Office Closed)
- December 27th Tuesday – Office Closed
- December 31st Saturday – New Year's Eve Celebration (Family 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

December 4, 2016 – December 11, 2016

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| Monday | 6:15 pm | Sparks & Brownies |
| Tuesday | 1 pm | Art Group |
| | 6 pm | UCW Unit 2 Christmas Party |
| Wednesday | 9:30 am | Tot Time |
| | 7 pm | BIBLE FOR DUMMIES |
| Thursday | 9:30 am | Study Group |
| | 1:30 pm | Little Moccasins |
| | 6:30 pm | Joyful Noise Practice |
| | 7:30 pm | Worship Choir Practice |
| Saturday | | Thinking of You Baskets – 9:30 am for Packing & 12 Noon for Delivering |
| Next Sunday | | WHITE GIFT SUNDAY |
| | 1:30 pm | Christmas Caroling at St. B. |
| | | Used Book Sale |

We would like to thank AOTS for serving coffee during the month of December!

For your information - 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. 8, and 15 from 6:30 – 7 p.m.

The offering from November 27th had 15 hamper fund envelopes with no identifying number or name on them. Call Luci 256-8792 if you wish to have your Nov. 27th Hamper Fund donation identified and included on your 2016 tax receipt. Please remember to always put your envelope number on the HAMPER FUND envelope, if you can't remember your envelope number please write your name.

On behalf of the UCW, a huge 'Thank You' to all the people who helped by baking cookies and running the Cookie Walk. It was a success! We were sold out of cookies in 1 hour and made \$1,389.00. Thank you!

A REMINDER! Your donations for 2016 need to be received by December 31, 2016 in order to qualify for a receipt in 2016. Donations received after December 31, 2016 will be received in 2017. Thank you for supporting your church!

Don't forget! We are singing **Christmas Carols** in the Atrium at the St. Boniface Hospital on Sunday Dec. 11th at 1:30 pm



Please join us for
"A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION 2016"
featuring the musicians of Windsor Park U. C. at 1062 Autumnwood Drive on Sunday, December 18th at 3 p.m. Adults \$10, children 12 & under free.



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

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 17th**. 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. 11th.
- 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. 20th and 27th, 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. **Drivers are needed!** 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 are so appreciative of 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.

We would like to borrow a wingback chair for the early Christmas Eve service? If you have one you'd be willing to lend to the church for that service, please let Patrick know.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Cathie Campbell
Len Kernaghan
Laurie Ringaert
Tim Tebbe

Trista Closen
Vivian Munro
Stefan Schneider

Bert & Betty Andrews