

HAPPY NEW YEAR

- Willingdon Church

Praise God for all that He has done this past year!

As we celebrate the New Year, please continue to be in prayer for the Church Family and for those who have heard the Gospel during the holiday season.

Please join us for our special New Year's Eve service: Monday, Dec 31, 7pm



New to Willingdon

willingdon.org

Thanks for visiting us today. Come see us in the Welcome Centre. We would love to say hello in person. You can also ask any questions you may have about Willingdon or find out how you might get connected.

Regular Weekend Services

Saturday:

The Connection 5:00pm, 6:30pm

Sunday:

Sanctuary 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am

The Connection 10:00am, 11:45am

Nursery Available: Saturday 5pm

Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am

Prayer and Resource Centres

Saturday • 4:30pm - 8:00pm

Sunday • 8:15am - 1:15pm

Having trouble finding your way around? Our Info Desk volunteers are happy to help direct you and answer any questions you may have.

Discovery Classes (in the Chapel)

A series of small group studies about Jesus Christ and the Church Family. Pick up a Discovery sign-up brochure at the Info Desk, Resource Centre or drop by the Chapel.

Saturday • 5:00pm

Sunday • 10:00am & 11:30am

Children's Ministry

No programs. On break.

Regular programs resume Jan 12/13

The Nursery is still available.

Student Ministry

No programs. On break.

Regular programs resume Jan 12/13

THIS WEEK AT WILLINGDON

New to Willingdon

We're glad you're here. If this is your first time visiting Willingdon Church, please come visit us at the Welcome Centre! We would love to meet you and help get you connected with all that's going on here at Willingdon!

Student Min New Year's Bash

Friday, Jan 4, 6:30pm. Cost \$10
Everyone from High Voltage, Riptide, Encounter, and the Exchange is invited to the Student Ministries New Year's Bash! We're kicking off the new year with a pizza dinner, worship, games, prizes, and a professional improv show by the Vancouver Theatresports League!

Willingdon School of the Bible

Registration for the WSB winter courses is now available. Pick up a registration form in the Main Lobby or visit us online at willingdon.org/wsb.

STARTS Winter 2019

Tuesdays, starting Jan 15, 7pm
Registration for STARTS Winter 2019 course is now available. Pick up a registration form in the Main Lobby or visit us online at willingdon.org/global-ministries.

Wed Night Women's Bible Study

Dessert & Movie Night: Jan 9, 6:30pm, Chapel
What happens when a six-year-old boy in Kenya is abandoned by his family and left to raise himself on the streets? Women of all ages and children are invited. Come see 'Mully'. Please RSVP to women@willingdon.org.

Two Becoming One

Thursday, Jan 3, 7pm. | \$75 per couple.
This Marriage Enrichment Small Group will teach you how to build a Christ-centered marriage
Registration at the Resource Centre.

Divorce Care

Starting Tuesday, Jan 29, 7 pm – 9 pm
Divorce Care is a ministry committed to helping people rebuild their lives after divorce. God designed the Church as a place where you can find help and support through tough times. Sign Up by emailing Selina - selinachow2010@gmail.com.

Ongoing Ministries

Christ Centered Singles: Sat, Jan 19, 7:30pm, Chapel.
Contact Selina at christcenteredsingles@gmail.com

Women's Bible Studies: Contact Michelle at mlee@willingdon.org for registration and info.
Women's Bible Study, Tues, 10am, starting Jan 15
Women's Bible Study, Wed, 6:30pm, starting Jan 16
A Woman's Walk, Thurs, 9:30am, starting Jan 10
Women's Bible Study ESL, Thurs, 1pm, starting Jan 18

GriefShare: Sun, 8:30am, Rm 3030
Thurs, 7pm, Rm 3090

Prayer Meetings: Wed, 6:30am, Café
Sun, 8am, Connection

Global Hotspots Prayer: Sun, 10am, Rm 3090.
Jim & Rita Cunningham (Go Teach Global) will share on Jan 6.

Mission Circle: Tues, 9:30am, Rm 1500.

Creation Science Class: Sat, Jan 26, 2pm, Fireside.
Contact Barb at matthew633@shaw.ca for more info.

International Language Ministries:
willingdon.org/international-language
9 International Language fellowships meet throughout the week. Visit the website for more information.

Russian Christmas Outreach Banquet:
Sun, Jan 6, Chapel

Kids & Student Ministries Holiday Schedule:

Sat, Dec 29 & Sun, Dec 30: No programs
Sat, Jan 5 & Sun, Jan 6: No programs
Sat, Jan 12 & Sun, Jan 13: Programs resume
The Nursery will still be available during these weekends.

Ministries on Break:

Mom's Connect (resumes Jan 9)
PlaySpace (resumes Jan 8)
New Horizons (resumes Jan 10)
Alongside (resumes Jan 20)
ESL Bible Studies (resumes Jan 18)

PRAYER

Prayer Requests: Fill out a Prayer Card and drop it in one of the boxes at the Resource Centre, Info Desk, or Welcome Centre. You can also email prayer@willingdon.org.

Prayer Chain: Bev Leonard (604-803-0052)

Pastoral Visits: Pastor Walter (604-435-5544)

Prayers 4 Women: Women, if you have a prayer or care request you feel more comfortable sharing with another woman, please email prayers4women@willingdon.org or call the church office.

Prayer Info Card: A prayer info card with family matters and ways to get involved in prayer can be found on the Info Stands and at the Info Desk.

LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups is on break. Winter quarter registration begins on January 5. For more info, contact Michelle at mlee@willingdon.org.

KIDS & STUDENT MIN HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

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CAFE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Dec 29: 4-8pm (COFFEE ONLY)

Dec 30: 8:30am-2pm (COFFEE ONLY)

Regular Café Schedule resumes Jan 5

CHURCH PHOTOGRAPHER

Please be aware that there is a Willingdon Church photographer on site taking photos in service and around the church. Please note the photos may be shared on social media channels.

GLOBAL PRAYER

Please pray for Sandy Ewan (SIM, South Sudan). Sandy returns to South Sudan this week, after spending several months in Canada. Pray for her as she reengages with people, and also steps into an interim leadership role on her team. To learn more about Sandy's ministry, listen to Episode 16 of the Willingdon On Mission Podcast (willingdon.org/wom-podcast, Willingdon App, iTunes).

VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Set Teardown volunteers

The Christmas concert was brought to you by countless volunteers. We will be taking down the set on Tues, Jan 1, and we welcome anyone who would like to come and volunteer. Doors will be open from 9am-9pm. No special skills required. Come for an hour or come for the whole day, all help is appreciated!

YEAR END GIVING

Thank you for your faithful giving in 2018. As 2018 closes, please remember that in accordance with CRA regulations, gifts received and/or postmarked on or before Monday, Dec 31, 2018 will be credited to your account for 2018. The last offerings taken will be during service on Monday, Dec 31, 2018.

Please consider internet banking (online through your financial institution's website) for your last-minute year-end gifts. (Your envelope number is also your account number for this method). If you don't have an envelope number, please contact the Church Office.

Please note that gifts received and/or postmarked on or after Jan 1, 2019 will be credited to your account for 2019.

If you moved in the last year, please advise us of your new address immediately.

You can contact the Church Office at 604-435-5544, or by email at database@willingdon.org.

December 29 & 30, 2018

We all say that we want freedom of choice. We like options. None of us like to feel inhibited or forced into our choices. We also often have difficulty making choices. How do we know we've made the right choice?

We can be overwhelmed by the choices we face. We worry about the implications of our choices. We wonder what the future holds for us and how our choices will impact us over time.

Joseph and Mary had many choices to make as new parents. Today's passage teaches us that God speaks into the details of our lives and guides us through the challenging choices we face.

Put yourself in a position to be guided by God as you are making choices.

Repeated obedience to God's leading.

God is with you.

WILLINGDON CHURCH ELDERS

Phil Balzer	Ruben Heyn	Mark Loewen	Rick Reimer	Ed Thiessen
John Best	Danny Lee	Dave Marshall	Vince Reimer	Wayne Wiebe
Jim Eisenhauer	Paul Lee	Ken Redekopp	Willy Reimer	
Ray Harms-Wiebe	Ron Leonard	Mark Reimer	Norm Schmidt	

Please continue to pray for the elders.

If you wish to contact an elder, please email elders@willingdon.org.