

Lord and Savior: Jesus Christ.

Please join us next week for our CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE Tuesday, December 24, 4PM & 5:30PM

And our NEW YEAR'S EVE: PRAYER SUMMIT

# **New to Willingdon**

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

#### Saturday Services:

The Connection 5:00pm, 6:30pm If this is your first time visiting,

# **Sunday Services:**

Sanctuary 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:45am

# Nursery Available:

Saturday • 5pm

Sunday • 8:30am, 10am, 11:45am

# Welcome Centre

we would love to meet you and help you get conneted!

#### **Resource Centre**

The Connection 10:00am, 11:45am General information, registration, and other resources.

### **Praver Centre**

A place for people to pray together or pray in a quiet space.

#### **Discovery Classes**

A series of small group studies about Jesus Christ and the Church Family. Pick up a brochure at the Resource Centre or visit the Chapel area during class hours.

Saturday • 5:00pm **Sunday •** 10:00am & 11:45am

Have any questions? Volunteers with orange name tags are happy to help and answer your questions.

#### For Kids (Birth to Gr 5)

Saturday Kids' Classes: 5pm

Sunday Kids' Classes: 10am & 11:45am.

Kids who are first-time visitors or guests, please visit the Kids Info Desk (1st floor).

#### For Students

Saturday Zone on Break. Resumes Jan 11. Sunday Gr.6-9: 10am & 11:45am, YC1 | Gr.10-12: 10am, YC2 For Young Adults (age 18-30)

The Exchange Service: 11:45am, Connection

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# **Upcoming Events**

# **Christmas Eve & New Year's Eve Services**

Join us for our special Christmas and New Year's services! Christmas Eve Services: Tues, Dec 24, 4pm & 5:30pm & New Year's Eve Service-Prayer Summit: Tues, Dec 31, 7pm.

### **Short Term Mission to El Salvador**

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Short Term Team. Over 1900 shoeboxes were collected this year. Have you ever wanted to be involved in delivering them to children? We will be sending a Short Term Team to El Salvador, July 5-15, to help distribute shoeboxes and build/ install Bio Sand Water Filters. For more info, contact Blair Staples at bstaples@willingdon.org.

#### **STARTS Course Winter 2020**

willingdon.org/event/starts

Tuesdays, 7pm, (Jan 21, 28, Feb 4, 11, 25, Mar 3) Interested in participating in a Short Term Mission with Willingdon Church? Sign up for the STARTS course! Registration forms are available on the Info Stands or online.

# Student Min - New Year's Bash

Friday, Jan 10, 6:30-9:30pm, Cost \$10 Everyone from High Voltage, Riptide, and Encounter is invited to the Student Ministries New Year's Bash! We're kicking off the new year with worship, games, prizes, food and a professional illusionist show!

# **Datenight Comedy**

willingdon.org/datenightcomedy Friday, Feb 14, 7:30pm, Sanctuary NOT Your Normal Date Night: A two-hour comedy event for couples with a live game show! Tickets \$15 per person available in the lobby this weekend.

#### **Kids and Student Program Break**

Kids and Student programs are on Christmas break on the weekends of Dec 28/29 & Jan 4/5. (nursery care will contiune as usual)

# Ministry Highlights

# Junior High Ministries Mid Week

Thurs 7pm | Start in Youth Centre 1

Grades 6 & 7 (High Voltage) Grades 8 & 9 (Riptide)

On Break. Next event: Fri, Jan 10, 6:30pm

# Senior High Ministries Mid Week

Tues 7pm | Youth Centre 2

Grades 10 - 12 (Encounter)

On Break, Next event: Humans vs. Zombies, Fri. Dec 27. 6-10pm, \$10. Grade 9's are also invited!

#### Young Adults Mid Week

Exchange (Age 18-30) Life Groups: sign up on online On Break.

#### Women's Ministries

Bible Studies, Specialty Groups, and ways to connect: See website for details.

### **Men's Ministries**

Men's Life Groups, Discipleship Groups, Fellowships, and ways to connect: See website for details.

#### **Families**

Mom's Connect: Wed, 10am | Nursery

On Break. Resumes January 8, 2020

PlaySpace: Tues, 9-11:30am | Rm 1260 & 1265

On Break. Resumes January 7, 2020

# Seniors Ministries (55+)

On Break. Resumes January 9, 2020

#### Praver

Prayer Meetings: Sun, 8am | Connection &

Wed. 6:30am | Café

Global Hotspots Prayer: Sun, 10am, Rm 3090.

#### Support

Various Groups available to support you during life's difficult moments. Check out the app and website for more details.

### **International Language Ministries**

Celebrate Christmas by joining one of the language groups' Christmas banquets! Check online or contact your language group leader for more info.

Some of the language fellowship groups are now on break. Please check with your language leader for more info.

Willingdon App: Already a part of Willingdon Church? Download the Willingdon Church App and see all that's listed on this info card and more on your mobile device. Go to welcome > church-wide events or check out each area for ministry updates.

Willingdon Website: Detailed information of all programs, events and ministries are found on willingdon.org.

# **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.

# **FAMILY MATTERS**

We wish to express our deep gratitude to Pastor Trevor and Melissa Berry. We are so grateful for how God has used Trevor to build a Young Adults Ministry that is thriving with a sense of true community. Please be in prayer for Trevor, Melissa, and their family as they transition their move to Calgary to be near family and to begin an exciting opportunity in ministry. Please also pray for the Young Adults leadership teams and ministry as they prepare for the transition. Pastor Trevor will continue his ministry here until the end of January.

# WILLINGDON LIBRARY

Come visit our newly renovated Library & Family Bookstore, now located adjacent to the lower foyer on the first floor. Featuring books and resources available on loan, as well as Children's Bibles, family devotionals and parenting resources for purchase.

# BENEVOLENT OFFERING

This weekend we will be receiving your benevolent offerings during the weekend services.

# CHURCH PHOTOGRAPHY

Please note the Willingdon photographer is taking photos in service and around the church. The photos may be shared on social media channels.

# GLOBAL PRAYER

Please pray for Jerry Hranka, our Missionary of the Week. Jerry serves in the Amazon region in Brazil with a team that desires to see every village in the Amazon reached with the gospel. To learn more, listen to Episode 11 of the Willingdon On Mission podcast.

**Mission Circle:** On Break. Resumes Tues, Jan 7.

# LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups is now on break. The Winter Quarter will begin on Jan 11, 2020. Registration for groups will open on Dec 28. willingdon.org/life-groups.

# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**Event and Food Services Coordinator** (Full Time)

Café Coordinator (Part Time)

Catering Lead (On Call)

See the full job postings online at willingdon.org/employment-opportunities.

# YEAR END GIVING

Thank you for your faithful giving in 2019. As 2019 closes, please remember that in accordance with CRA regulations, gifts received and/or postmarked on or before Tues, Dec 31, 2019 will be credited to your account for 2019.

Please consider internet banking (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, 2020 will be credited to your account for 2020.

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 21 & 22, 2019

John G. Stackhouse, professor of theology and culture at Regent College writes, "The vast majority of Canadians... have become less enthusiastic, indifferent, or even hostile to Christianity." In 1996, 12% of the Canadian population self-identified as "Evangelical." By 2015, that number had dropped to 9%. Today, just four years later, only 6% selfidentify as evangelicals. What is the word of God for us today?

# Jesus is...

Sermon

- 1. God's gift to us
- 2. The Universal King
- 3. The Wonder Working Planner
- 4. The God Warrior
- 5. The Good, Fatherly King
- 6. The King who embodies peace

When Jesus, the King, enters our lives...

- 1. Light dispels the darkness
- 2. Joy replaces the gloom
- 3. Freedom replaces bondage
- 4. Peace replaces strife

### WILLINGDON CHURCH ELDERS

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

<sup>\*</sup>Ron Leonard and Ken Redekopp are on elder's sabbatical for one year