



### "Walk It Out" from Laurentian Wesleyan Church

Inspiration and Information to Help You "Walk Out" Your Faith Everyday.

#### Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Thanks for joining us! We pray you are filled with the grace and peace of Jesus. We encourage you to fill out a welcome card, located in the pews, and give it to me, Pastor Jason. You can also head over to <u>www.laurentianchurch.com</u> and click on "HELLO" to let us know more about yourself.

> Today - Sunday Service - 10am In-Person & Online Nursery available (unstaffed) Refreshments to follow

#### Reminders

In Exodus 13:9, we read; "This observance will be for you like a sign on your hand and a reminder on your forehead that this law of the LORD is to be on your lips. For the LORD brought you out of Egypt with his mighty hand." Throughout the Old Testament, God gave the people signs, festivals and seasons to remind them of His faithfulness. Today, one of the big reminders we have is the sacrament of baptism. It is a marker in our lives that points to God's hope, grace and salvation. This past Sunday, we celebrated a beautiful service where God definitely met with us. I'm so thankful for Aiden's testimony and baptism. Remember and don't forget how God is calling people to Himself. He's calling Your name!

If you haven't been baptized, and would like to make a public profession of your faith in Christ through believer's baptism, please talk to me and we'll make it happen!

#### **Prayer Corner**

•Aiden Shearer declared his faith in Christ through baptism this past Sunday. Pray for Aiden as he continues to walk with Christ.

•Peace & Justice: Peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6). Persecuted church. War in Ukraine.

•Healing & Comfort: Owen McCutcheon (Pastor Jason's great nephew), Chrissy McCutcheon, Mara (Pastor Jason's niece), Andrew Hamilton (Fern Turcott's grandson), Brad Wheeler, Greg Birr (Tony Verlinden's friend), Nancy Reise (Ernie's wife), Lydia Eichwald, Oliver (Carol Dawson's prayer request), Karis (Chrissy's niece), Danielle Lewis, Sharon Graff, Claudia (Angelika's daughter's coworker), Lorna Powell, Loes Verlinden (Tony's sister-in-law), Tony Verlinden, Sharon Webster, Kevin Trombley (Chrissy's Uncle), Cecile Muise (Madeleine Daly's mom), Thomas & Johnathan (Barb Daw's sons).

•Wisdom & Freedom: Accessibility Project. Celebrate Recovery Ministry, Braydon, Andrew.

•Salvation. Lift up some names that come to mind. This website gives a clear presentation of the Gospel: peacewithgod.net

If you have requests to add or remove, or an update to share, please let Pastor Jason know.

Join and share requests on our "Laurentian Prays" Facebook group: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/laurentianprays</u>

# Looking for Those Willing to Serve

•Serve in the sound/computer booth.

•Games night coordinator.

Talk to Pastor Jason today if you'd like to know more about serving in any of these areas.

# **Accessibility Project**

To see the whole project, visit: <u>www.laurentianwesleyan.com</u>

Check out the binder in the foyer if you have questions about our fund-raising efforts.

# **Accessibility Fund-Raising**

Questions/pick ups – ask Tony 705-358-1263 •Collecting large metal items & pop cans •Check out the "craft" table downstairs! All for a donation to the Accessibility Project.

#### Upcoming Events, At a Glance

Bible Study - Thursdays at 7pm

Waters Edge Church Service This Sunday April 14th at 2:00pm

**Celebrate Recovery** - First Baptist Church Every Wed 7pm – Teaching \* 8pm - Share Groups \* Everyone welcome.

**Seniors' Lunch** – April 16<sup>th</sup>, at Noon Pot-Luck

#### Financial Update – March 31<sup>st</sup>

General: \$1,560 Missions: \$20 Access. Project: \$45 Change for Change: \$10 <u>Total: \$1,635</u> Parsonage Rent: \$1200

Do you give with cheques? Please make sure you make your cheque payable to "Laurentian Wesleyan Church". Thanks!

(Budget Required Per Week: \$2,170.71) For more information about giving, visit <u>www.laurentianchurch.com/give</u>

#### **Upcoming Church Family Celebrations!**

April 14 Peter Daly April 18 Carol Dawson April 24 Phoebe Maertens April 25 Angelika Falkenberg April 26 Bonnie Galinski April 27 Avery Myers April 29 Johnathan MacLeod

# Advocate for Kingswood University - They Need Our Voice

Since 1945 Kingswood University (Sussex, NS) has proudly been the Wesleyan Church's Canadian place of preparation for ministry. The Federal Government of Canada has recently altered the process for US students coming to Canada for University. This Is a significant setback for Kingswood. **Read their memo:** 

The Federal government has decided to restrict new international undergraduate student visas. What you may not have realized is the significant negative impact this will have on Kingswood University.

For this coming year, we have been allotted fewer spots for new international students than we enrolled last year. And last year we were still rebuilding from the hit we took with border closures during the pandemic.

To make matters worse, the government has chosen to include American students in these restrictions. Even students from border states will have to go through the same process as those from abroad. Thankfully, these restrictions do not impact graduate students, so our partnership with Crandall University should not be affected. Also, this only impacts new students, so current American and international students can continue their studies.

# We need your help. Would you please consider taking the following action steps:

• Ask your Member of Parliament to intervene to either postpone this decision or at least exempt American students;

• Pray that we have wisdom to know how to continue our growth trajectory;

 Refer prospective Canadian students to Kingswood University. A personal recommendation is still our best marketing tool. Here is the link to our website: www.kingswood.edu

• Make an extra financial gift to help offset these lost tuition dollars.

# **Community Announcements**

The North Bay Pregnancy Help & Resource Centre - Dessert Gala \$25

Friday, May 3, 2024 at 6:00pm 705-475-9270

#### New Refreshment Schedule is out – Check your mailbox!



#### For fun...

However accurate, "Doing Life Together" is not a good name for your prison small group ministry