



"Walk It Out" from Laurentian Wesleyan Church

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

Sunday January 21st, 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 www.laurentianchurch.com and click on "HELLO" to let us know more about yourself.

Today - Sunday Service - 10am

In-Person & Online

Nursery available (unstaffed)
Refreshments to follow

GRACE Is...

Have you ever noticed that when we talk about grace, we often feel the need to define it. Some scholars experimented with changing it to the word "kindness" to help people understand. But that did not sit well with many, and they changed it back to grace. Yes, grace is God's kindness, but it's so much more. I wonder if it often needs defining not because it's confusing, but because of how deep in meaning it is. Last Sunday we read Acts 15:10-11; "Now then, why do you try to test God by putting on the necks of Gentiles a yoke that neither we nor our ancestors have been able to bear? No! We believe it is through the grace of our Lord Jesus that we are saved, just as they are." (Acts 15:10-11). We are saved not because of our works, but because of grace. As the song "Reckless Love" by Cory Asbury puts it; "I couldn't earn it. I don't deserve it, still You give yourself away." We will keep coming back to grace, because it is our life-line. Unmerited favour. God's Riches at Christ's Expense. Undeserved. Just a few windows into this beautiful word which extends eternal life tomorrow and eternal purpose today to all who say "yes" to it. When we think "I've gone too far", the grace of Jesus reaches even there.

But perhaps the more challenging aspect of this word is this; God wants us now to be conduits of

His grace to others. God's kindness, forgiveness and love offered to those around us who also don't deserve it. Who better to share it than those who have experienced it for themselves!

Prayer Corner

- A good report from Tony's recent test. PTL!
- Pray for Pastor John (Powassan Wesleyan). He had a dizzy/fainting spell on Monday. He's home now. They believe it may have been an ear infection, but prayers appreciated.
- Pray for folks from our church at Waters Edge Community. Elaine Lebold and Bill Fricker.
- Peace & Justice: Peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6). Persecuted church. War in Ukraine.
- Healing & Comfort: Lorna Powell, Loes Verlinden (Tony's sister-in-law), Tony Verlinden, Sharon Graff, Nancy (Ernie Reise's wife), Sharon Webster, Lorna Powell, Kevin Trombley (Chrissy's Uncle), Pauline (Nancy Mercier's sister), Cecile Muike (Madeleine Daly's mom), Annabelle (Fern Turcott's sister), 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: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/laurentianprays>

A "Plug" for "Moving Is Christ" Exercise Class - Come and Try It!

This past Wednesday at Noon, six of us gathered for Danielle Lewis' exercise class. It was great! Danielle's joy and love for the Lord came through as she skillfully led us through an hour's exercise routine. I believe you'd say it was "low impact" but got the blood flowing. I especially appreciated Danielle's attention to each person's abilities, giving options for those who might be struggling a bit.

If you're sitting at home this Wednesday morning and thinking..."should I go?" The answer is "yes". Bring your water bottle, wear some comfortable clothes, and join us. -Jason

Want to go deeper? Why not take a FREE course?

Kingswood University in Sussex, New Brunswick launches www.kingswoodlearn.com. Kingswood Learn is a free platform that provides access to high-quality, engaging, and practical micro courses.

Here's just a few of the MANY course titles...from trusted sources in the Wesleyan tradition:

- A Brief Guide to the New Testament
- How to Read the Bible
- Healthy Spiritual Practices
- Self-Care for Life's Challenges
- Theology of the Body
- And many more

Children's Ministry Update

We are working at (re) launching Children's Church in the near future.

Would you like to volunteer? Please talk to Pastor Jason to begin the screening process.

Accessibility Project

To see the whole project, visit:
www.laurentianwesleyan.com

Check out the "craft" table downstairs at the church with some new items! All for a donation to the Accessibility Project.

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

Upcoming Events, At a Glance

Bible Study - Thursdays at 7pm

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

Moving is Christ - Exercise Class with Danielle Lewis - This Wednesday at Noon

Come for a mid week boost by moving, stretching and saying yes to your wellness together with others because He cares for us (1 Peter 5:7). Both men and women of all abilities welcome.

Financial Update –Jan 14th

General: \$1,042

Missions: \$30

Access. Project: \$410

Total: \$1,482

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 www.laurentianchurch.com/give

Upcoming Church Family Celebrations!

January 2024

Jan 27 Sharon Graff

February 2024

Feb. 3 Mathew Carey

Feb. 5 Ernie Reise

Feb. 9 Jim & Judy Reid Anniversary

Feb. 12 Steve & Chantal Szydluk Anniversary

Feb. 15 Linda Trombley

Community Announcements:

Fraud Prevention Presentation Mon, Jan 22@7

St. Brice's, 1225 Cassell St. Organized by the Fraud Unit of the OPP. We expect it will be very worthwhile -Pastor Peter

Looking for Old Jeans

Verna Verlinden is looking to make some "jean blankets" and needs some old Jeans to give away. Please bring them to church and they will be recycled in a loving and crafting way. Attention to Verna