



# "Walk It Out" from Laurentian Wesleyan Church

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

#### Sunday July 2, 2023

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

### What Pleases God?

This past Wednesday I shared this devotional with our Pastor's Prayer Group. Galatians 1:10 says; "Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ." I like how The Message Bible puts part of that verse; "If my goal was popularity, I wouldn't bother being Christ's slave." As a recovering people pleaser, I'm grateful for this reminder that we should be most concerned with what pleases God!

1. God is concerned with Truth, whereas people often what you to tell them what they want to hear. 2 Timothy 4:3b says; "...instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear." Are we "itching ears" people, or "whatever God says" people? 2. God shows us grace whereas we often want judgment (at least for others...not ourselves...). Romans 2:4 says; "...God's kindness is intended to lead you to repentance." Sometimes we want people to pay whereas God wants people to repent.

3. God shows love whereas we just want Him to correct. Don't get me wrong, sometimes we need correction. But this is an opportunity to evaluate our motives. Is our motivation love, or just to be right? Today, I encourage each of us to ask "what pleases God?", and let that be the driving force behind what we do. God will help us as we walk in the light as He is in the light.

#### **Prayer Corner**

•Peace & Justice: War in Ukraine

•Healing & Comfort: Vanessa (co-worker of Verna Verlinden), Sharon Webster, Lorna Powell, Chris Mercer (Tony's co-worker's husband), Kevin Trombley (Chrissy's Uncle), Tony, Barb (Verna's friend), Pauline (Nancy Mercier's sister), Cecile Muise (Madeleine Daly's mom), Annabelle (Fern Turcott's sister), Thomas & Johnathan (Barb Daw's sons), Nancy Reise, Baby Oliver.

•Wisdom & Freedom: 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.

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

# **Church Directory – Initial and OK**

A copy of the directory is at the back – please check your profile and if all is ok please add your initials. Otherwise indicate the changes!

#### **Accessibility Project**

Bathroom Update - Open and ready to use. To see the whole project, visit: www.laurentianwesleyan.com

### **Accessibility Fund-Raising**

Questions/pick ups – ask Tony 705-358-1263 (Make sure and check the thermometer in the foyer for a progress report on our fund-raising)

- •Collecting large metal items.
- •Collecting pop cans (empty & clean please).

#### Central Canada District Conference 2023 -Roblin, Ontario

Your delegate, Tony Verlinden and I had a wonderful time at conference. Inspired, challenged and filled, are words I would use.

Tony gave a great presentation this past Sunday. Thanks Tony!

### **Serving Alley**

•Sound & Media Ministry: For those interested, please talk to myself, Tim or Jasen about getting trained to be a part of this ministry.

## Upcoming Events, At a Glance



•Thursday Bible Study - 7pm

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

•Church Yard Sale Fund-Raiser Saturday, July15, 2023 Donations of pre-priced items needed. Bring them near or on the date.

# National Prayer Tour - Coming to Laurentian this Summer July 20th at 7pm

Join us as our local church participates in an across Canada and Maine prayer tour organized by the national office of the Wesleyan church.

An hour of seeking God to hear His heart for our community.

# Opportunity for Baptism - Coming This August

If you would like to make a public profession of your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, talk to me.

# Financial Update – Sun June 4, 2023

Sunday, June 18, 2023 General: \$1077 Missions: \$100 Access. Project: \$125 Change for Change: \$26.95 Total: \$1,328.95 <u>Sunday, June 25, 2023</u> General: \$715 Missions: \$20 <u>Access. Project: \$55</u> **Total: \$790**  (Budget Required Per Week: \$2,170.71) Go to our website to learn about the Accessibility Project For more information about giving, visit <u>www.laurentianchurch.com/give</u>

If you know someone who would like to sign up for this email, send them to: <a href="http://www.laurentianchurch.com/enewsletter-sign-up">www.laurentianchurch.com/enewsletter-sign-up</a>

If you have something of interest to our church family, you are welcome to contribute to this weekly update. Send me a note.

# **Upcoming Church Family Celebrations!**

## July 2023

Bill Powell	Jul 3
Bev Ferguson	Jul 8
Bill Fricker *	Jul 10
Byron & Sharon Webster	Jul 14
Jason & Chrissy McCutcheon	Jul 21
Wayne Brown	Jul 22
Peter & Madeleine Daly	Jul 27
Barb Daw	Jul 30
Fern Turcott	Jul 27
Elaine Lebold *	Jul 31

\*Residents of Waters Edge Care Community, 401 William St, North Bay, ON P1A 1X5



Laurentian Wesleyan Church 529 McKay Ave., North Bay, ON 8am until 1pm