

# "Walk It Out" from Laurentian Weslevan Church

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

# **Sunday June 11, 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 <a href="https://www.laurentianchurch.com">www.laurentianchurch.com</a> and click on "HELLO" to let us know more about yourself.

# Today - Sunday Service - 10am In-Person & Online

Nursery available Refreshments to follow

### The Fork Story

We had a meaningful service celebrating Colombe Beland and the hope we have in Christ this past Saturday. Chantal shared this story, one of her mom's favourites.

A woman who was at the end of her days contacted her pastor to discuss certain aspects of her final wishes. She told him which songs she wanted and which scriptures she would like read. Everything was in order and the pastor was preparing to leave when the woman suddenly remembered something very important to her. "This is very important," the woman continued. "I want to be buried with a fork in my hand." The woman explained. "My grandmother once told me this story, and I have always tried to pass along its message of hope to those I love and to those who are in need of encouragement. In all my years of attending socials and dinners. someone would always lean over and say, 'Keep your fork.' And I knew that something better was coming...like Apple Pie or Chocolate cake."

At the funeral, people noticed the fork placed in her right hand and wondered why. During his message, the pastor told everyone about the fork and about what it symbolized to her. This woman had a better grasp of heaven than most because she knew that something better was coming. So the next time you reach for your fork, let it remind you, ever so gently, what she already knew - that the best was yet to come!

# **Prayer Corner**

- •Pray for all those affected by the wildfires.
- •Fern Turcott passes along the following prayer request: Keith Anderson's first wife Linda Bush passed away (Cornwall area). Pray for the kids as losing both parents in a short time is so hard. Pray for peace and comfort as they grieve.
- •Continue to pray for Phyllis Erickson and family as they grieve the passing of Jim.

### Celebration of Life for Jim Erickson

Saturday, June 17, 2023 Drop In from 2:00-4:00pm at "The Grande" (corner of Main & Wyld Streets) "Just come as you are to meet Jim's family, we welcome you."

- •Peace & Justice: War in Ukraine
- •Healing & Comfort: 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: https://www.facebook.com/groups/laurentianprays

#### **Accessibility Project**

Bathroom Update - Open and ready to use. We still have a few finishing touches before we're completely done. To see the whole project, visit: www.laurentianwesleyan.com

Financial Update - as of May 23/23 Since our fund-raising began: Total Raised: \$112,712.82

Expenses (Engineering & Architect): \$15,771.92

Remaining: \$96,940.90

#### **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).

# **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.
- •Games & Snacks Night Friday, June 16 at 6pm

Bring your favourite game and a snack to share.

North Bay Pregnancy Help and Resource Centre – Moving June 17. Looking for people to help.

 Church Yard Sale Fund-Raiser Saturday, July 8, 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.

### <u>Financial Update – Sun June 4, 2023</u>

General: \$2,930 Missions: \$30

Accessibility Project: \$425 Change for Change: \$10

Total: \$3,395

Other Income:

Parsonage Rent: \$1200

(Budget Required Per Week: \$2,170.71)
Go to our website to learn about the Accessibility Project
For more information about giving, visit <a href="https://www.laurentianchurch.com/give">www.laurentianchurch.com/give</a>

If you know someone who would like to sign up for this email, send them to: www.laurentianchurch.com/enewsletter-sign-up

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!**

### June 2023

15th Tony & Verna Verlinden' Anniversary 20th Mona & Bill Cooper's Anniversary 27th Bev & Keith Ferguson's Anniversary 29th Chrissy McCutcheon 29th Lorna Powell

