

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Deacon Ministry

Consider joining our team as we visit those in hospital or care homes.

Contact: Gail Henry (204) 489-3843

Naomi House Ministry Team

Ministry to refugees.

Contact: Pat Hill (204) 287-8106

Union Gospel Mission Team

Gospel ministry to the homeless.

Contact: Darrell Falk (204) 799-1965 or technoscottcharlie@gmail.com

BETHESDA CHURCH MIDWEEK MINISTRIES

Wednesday Eve. Bible Study, 6:30-7:30p

We meet in-person in the Upper Lounge & ZOOM (www.bethesdachurch.ca). Please see Pastor Mark for more information.

Wednesday Evening Prayer, 7:30-8p

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Thursday Mornings drop-in to our Men's Prayer Meeting, between 7-8:30a

Downstairs, Lower Lounge
Contact: Pastor Yuri

Youth Bible Study, 7:15-8:15p

Join us every Wednesday in the Lower Lounge. A study of Acts plus food & fun!
Contact: Pastor Yuri

Church Office: OPEN

Admin Hours: Tues-Fri, 9:30am-3:30pm
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSIONFEST MANITOBA IS ALMOST HERE, FEBRUARY 3RD-5TH!

A wide range of experienced missionaries, speakers & mission organizations from all over the world will give testimony to what God-in-Christ-Jesus is doing! *Dan MacKinnon of AIM will be back with us that Sunday! Our own Yuri Hooker will put together and lead one of the worship sessions!* Check-out the website: www.missionfestmanitoba.org and join in.

BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP MATTERS @ BETHESDA CHURCH!

Over the last few months, we've been blessed to add several new members to our Congregation. We've also been blessed, most Easter seasons, to celebrate New Life in Jesus Christ through the sacrament of Baptism. *If either of these (or both!) might interest you, please talk to Pastor Mark.*

WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES – JOIN US!

Please join us, every Wednesday evening for: **Youth Bible Study @ 7:15-8:15pm (in-person only); Psalms Bible Study @ 6:30-7:30pm & Prayer Meeting @ 7:30-8pm (in-person or ZOOM for both!)** We've been having a very meaningful and fun time, and we'd love for you to join us!

PLEASE PICK-UP A COPY OF OUR WEEKLY CONGREGATIONAL LETTER!

If you aren't receiving our weekly letters or other *Church Information*, please contact Neveen in our Church Office and ask to be added to our list.

PLEASE PRAY FOR & HELP OUR BETHESDA CHURCH LEADERSHIP

As we've heard, there have been several breaches to the security of our building and, therefore, for the safety of our people. *One thing we all can do is be more aware of the security situation around us.* A preliminary measure to increase our security has been selected and will be implemented, soon. *In the interim, please pray for our leaders, as we try to address this situation, wisely and graciously, with compassion for the homeless and to keep God's people safe.* Also, please be ready to pitch in, should you be asked to help.

OUR AFGHAN REFUGEE FAMILIES ARE COMING! (NEW INFO. BELOW!)

Please keep praying for our families (E&S and Q&N)! To prepare, please read over "**Welcoming Our Afghan Families**" (on the back table), and prayerfully consider how you can be involved. Contact Gail Henry or Rose Marie Tan for more info. **Items STILL NEEDED:** *A baby is now expected in August to E & S, so we'll also need clothing for a newborn, a baby monitor & other baby items. Thank you, all, for your continued generosity.*

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT GOD'S VISION FOR GLOBAL MISSIONS?

Perspectives on the World Christian Movement, developed and delivered by Overseas Missionary Fellowship, is 15 dynamic lessons giving **a big picture view of God on mission to make Himself known and glorified in all the nations of the world.** Come to grow your vision for God and explore and find your unique place in His eternal purposes. This time, the course will be a hybrid (in-person & ZOOM) and for 14 Tuesdays, beginning on February 7th, from 7-9:30pm. Registration: \$395, including textbooks. **Go to the website:** <https://perspectivescanada.outreach.ca> or see Patti Poirier.



**LOOKING AHEAD IN
FAITH, HOPE & LOVE**

Bethesda Church
January 22nd, 2023
bethesdachurch.ca

The Central Truth of Our Message this Morning

The **singularity** of the Christian Faith, Life, and Ministry is **the love of God-in-Christ-Jesus for all and in everything**, and it's **the measure** of everything we do and everything we are **in this life and on this earth** in our place and time.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Bethesda Church exists to glorify God by joining Jesus in making His disciples from all nations, relying on God's Spirit and Word to guide and equip us.

ARE YOU VISITING WITH US TODAY?

Please accept our warm welcome as our guests!

Would you consider filling out a welcome card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate?

We'd love to begin to get to know you, and you us!

Please be assured that we will never sell, distribute to third parties, or misuse your information.

Welcome to Bethesda!

SUNDAY MORNING CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

KIDS CHURCH IS BACK! We invite our children back to our Children's Sunday School designed just for them. Join **Shelly & Soufhiea** (3-5 years) and **Neil & Atish** (6-11 years)!

Our unstaffed **NURSERY** (upstairs, past the office suite, end of the hall, to the right) is available for parents of very small children to use at any time during any of our events.

WORSHIP WITH BETHESDA

Prelude

Congregational Call to Worship: *Psalm 32*

Neil Craton

Worship through Song

Pastoral Welcome & Prayer

Pastor Mark Wilcoxson

Blessing Our Children

Pastor Yuri Hooker

Announcements

Michelle Mourre

Prayer for Our Missionaries and the World

Eunice Hill, The Evangelical Alliance Mission

Dave Birrell

Worship in Anticipation of *THE WORD*

The Public Reading of *Holy Scripture & Prayer*

1 Corinthians 13

Abby Wilcoxson

The Ministry of God's WORD to God's People:

LOOKING AHEAD IN FAITH, HOPE & LOVE (Pt. 4)

"The Singularity of the Christian Faith, Life & Ministry"

1 Corinthians 13:13

Pastor Mark Wilcoxson

Worship in Response to *THE WORD*

Benediction and Closing Prayer: *2 Peter 1:1-11*

Pastor Mark Wilcoxson

Postlude

PRAYER & INTERCESSION

Please, Join us in prayer for Eunice Hill, our Gospel partner with TEAM.

Prayer Chain: If you'd like to be a Prayer Chain partner or you have a prayer request to share, please contact Neveen in the office.

Pray with us for the unwell among us—in hospital (H), care home (CH), or just having an especially difficult time:

***Our Afghan Refugee Families (Q&E)**

***Mona Behrens (grief & depression)**

***Fred Birrell (Dave's Dad; flu & double pneumonia; HOME, now!)**

***Gail Barnes (fall/asthma; home)**

***Lawrence Churchill (long COVID/cancer; HOME, now.)**

***Venus Coté (kidney function better)**

***Andrew Friesen (heart/autoimmun.)**

***Louise Gillis (HOME NOW!) & Arlene Rempel (for stamina & strength)**

***Marion Hill (Susanne's Mom; stroke recovery, home) & Susanne Hill**

***Ron Hooker (back/mobility)**

***Homira & Sejed (parents in Pakistan; salvation, mental & emotional health)**

***Mujeeb (Homira's brother)**

***George Manalang (heart health)**

***Joan McRae (Misericordia Place)**

***Michael (Eunice's neighbor: mental health, salvation, reconciliation)**

***Shyrle Mercer (leg ulcers back)**

***Laylee (surgery recovery, PTL!)**

Laylee's boys **Omid & Bijan;**

Laylee's Mom (Shereen) & Sister

(Shalla)—salvation for both

***Don Register (Shelly's Dad/COVID)**

***Ukraine — nation, especially our brothers & sisters in Christ, refugees**

***Ashleigh Wilcoxson (TSW, eczema herpeticum & bacterial skin infect.)**

***Chris Wilcoxson (mental & heart health; residential program, Seattle)**

***Andrea Wittebolle (back home; pray for pain relief and peace)**

****Please contact Neveen to get your name (or a loved one's) put back onto the list with an update, so we can pray and share with insight.****