

## 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](mailto:technoscottcharlie@gmail.com)

## BETHESDA CHURCH MIDWEEK MINISTRIES

**English Conversation Class, Wed. Eve., 6:30-8pm, Fellowship Hall.** Neil Craton

**Wed. Eve. Bible Study, 6:30-7:15pm, Upper Lounge, in-person or Zoom ([www.bethesdachurch.ca](http://www.bethesdachurch.ca)).** Pastor Mark

**Wed. Evening Prayer, 7:15-8pm, Zoom ([www.bethesdachurch.ca](http://www.bethesdachurch.ca)) or Bethesda Upper Lounge!** Ruth Rennie

**Wed. Eve. Youth Bible Study, 7:15-8:15, Lower Lounge.** Our study of *2 Timothy* resumes, plus food & fun! Pastor Yuri

**Men's Thurs. Morning Prayer Meeting, drop-in anytime, between 7-8:30am!** We meet downstairs in the Bethesda Lower Lounge. Contact: Pastor Yuri

*Please pray diligently for our church leadership – staff, elders, and Council – as we navigate a few matters and look to the future Jesus has prepared for us.*

### Bethesda Church Office Information

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PLEASE KEEP PRAYING FOR E, S & THEIR FIVE CHILDREN!** We've gotten an even more exciting update; they may really be here by mid-October! Let's pray for their protection and God's sovereign provision all the way to Canada!

**INFORMAL B.B.Y.O.L. FELLOWSHIP RESUMES TODAY!** Bethesda **B**ring **Y**our **O**wn **L**unch provides opportunities for fellowship, downstairs in the Fellowship Hall, after every Sunday Worship Service. You can B.Y.O.L. or buy a sandwich/burger/etc. nearby. You may bring your own table games, and the gym is available for those who bring their own sports equipment. *Join us as you can!*

**YOUTH BIBLE STUDY STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY @ 7:15PM, LOWER LOUNGE!**

Join us as we take up our study in *2 Timothy* that we started last spring, also hang out with the usual games and snacks! Contact Pastor Yuri for more info.

**BETHESDA CHURCH DIRECTORY 2023 UPDATE!**

We are updating our *Bethesda Church Directory*! You can update or add your information to our *Bethesda Church Directory* by seeing Neveen after church, calling her, or emailing her according to the information supplied just to the bottom left corner of this page.

**ATTENDING, TEACHING OR HELPING WITH CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH CLASS?**

We were starting our very fruitful English Conversation Class last Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8pm, in the Fellowship Hall. If you might be interested, either to improve your English skills, help teach conversational English, or support, please contact Neil Craton.

**UPCOMING 2023 BETHESDA CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING**

*Our Annual Meeting date and time have been set. We will meet on Wednesday evening, October 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm in the Bethesda Fellowship Hall.*

**FALL BANQUET IN SUPPORT OF CALEB & CHEYENNE MOGILEVSKY, OCT, 16<sup>TH</sup>, 6pm!** Join us to hear stories of youth & young families being impacted by the Gospel of Jesus Christ! This banquet will be held at 465 Osborne Street (Christian Fellowship Chapel) on Monday, October 16 @ 6:00pm. (Childcare is available but limited.) **Please register your attendance by contacting Caleb (email at [caleb@yfcwinnipeg.ca](mailto:caleb@yfcwinnipeg.ca) or phone (431) 554-8711).** We look forward to celebrating God's faithfulness with you there!

**SQUARE ONE WORLD MEDIA INVITES YOU TO FILL A TABLE FOR THEIR FALL EVENT, "PLANTING THE STORY."** Be part of an engaging evening celebrating creative ways to tell Jesus's story through media, Wed., Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm, 145 The Leaf Way, Assiniboine Park. **It's FREE & an opportunity to lend support will be offered!** RSVP by: Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> for the in-person event, or Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> for the online event. Please speak to Pastor Mark about joining a Bethesda table.

**BETHESDA CHURCH FINANCES NEED OUR CONCERTED ATTENTION**

*Recently, our Church Council Chairman Neil Craton shared a brief report on our current health and wellbeing, leading into our Annual Meeting. One key aspect is our finances, which are down quite a bit. We are considering several cost-cutting measures on the expenses side of the ledger. Let's all be praying about what each of us can do to help on the income side.*

**PERSEVERING BY  
FAITH & HOPE IN  
CHRIST JESUS!**

Bethesda Church  
October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023  
[bethesdachurch.ca](http://bethesdachurch.ca)

## The Central Truth of Our Message this Morning

*True Biblical-Christian **discipleship** is a **life continuously transformed** by God's Word & Spirit into the image of God's Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.*

## 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 **Helen & Lory** (3-5 years) and **Arlene & Eunice** (6-11 years)!

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

## WORSHIP WITH BETHESDA

Prelude

Scriptural Call to Worship & Prayer

*Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32*

Pastor Yuri Hooker

Worship through Song

Pastoral Welcome & Prayer

Pastor Mark Wilcoxson

Announcements

Michelle Murre

Children's Blessing

Pastor Yuri Hooker

Prayer for Our Missionaries and the World

*Shoaib & Mariam Ebadi, Square One World Media*

Carla McKay

Worship in Anticipation of *THE WORD*

The Public Reading of *Holy Scripture* & Prayer

*John 3:16-30*

Kate Craton

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

PERSEVERING BY FAITH & HOPE IN CHRIST JESUS:

***"True Biblical-Christian Discipleship: Obeying Jesus"***

Pastor Mark Wilcoxson

Worship in Response to *THE WORD*

Benediction and Closing Prayer: *1 John 5:18-21*

Pastor Mark Wilcoxson

Postlude

## PRAYER & INTERCESSION

*Join us in prayer for **Shoaib & Mariam Ebadi**, our Gospel partners with **Square One World Media**.*

**Prayer Chain:** If you want to partner in prayer or you have a 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

\*Gail Barnes

\*Lawrence & Selma Churchill

**\*Anshula Donalld (pressure inside brain; walking/talking; pray for husband Ajay)**

**\*Betty Campbell (PCH)**

**\*Venus Coté (our NECM missionary)**

**\*Edwin & Kamala Henry (Esther's Dad & Mom) healing from surgery and rest**

**\*Ron De Hoff (Patti's brother)**

**\*Andrew Friesen (our AIM missionary)**

**\*Bernice Gruenke (health & diagnosis)**

**\*Marion Hill (Susanne's Mom)/Susanne**

**\*Homaira & Sejed**

**\*Mujeeb (Homaira's brother)**

**\*Mujeeb/Homaira's parents (in Pak.)**

**\*George Manalang**

**\*Joan McRae (Misericordia Place)**

**\*Michael (Eunice's neighbor)**

**\*Laylee Moterrased**

**\*Her boys, Omid & Bijan;**

**\*Her Mom (Shereen) & Sister (Shalla)**

**\*Andrew Poirier (blood clots; housing)**

**\*Patti Poirier (health and strength)**

**\*Russian People & Church**

**\*Sean Smith (Evelyn's son)**

**\*Ukraine – the nation, the Church, our brothers & sisters in Christ & refugees**

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

**\*Pastor Mark Wilcoxson (Parkinson's, depression, vision for the future)**

**\*Vonda Kay (Pastor Mark's sister)**

**\*Andrea & Rick Wittebolle**

**\*\*Please contact Neveen to get your name (or a loved one's) put on this list.\*\***