



# WILLOWDALE WEEKLY

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## **1<sup>st</sup> Offering Collection is for the Church Budget:**

This offering pays for the operational expenses of the church including staff salaries and benefits, the cost of running the church building and the parsonage, office and program expenses and our ministry shares. These ministry shares allow our denomination and classis (region) to support missionaries, pastors-in-training, our colleges and seminaries as well as outreaches, both global and local.

Members of our congregation give to this offering in several ways. Some place a donation in the offering basket or plate every week as their thank offering. Others donate on a periodic basis such as a monthly cheque. Some have automatic withdrawals from their bank account. So if you have a donation to make when the plate or basket is passed to you do so and if not today just pass the plate to your neighbour in the pew.

**Today's 2<sup>nd</sup> Offering – Diaconate** Your donations are used by the deacons following guidelines to help people in our congregation and community experiencing difficulties to help meet their basic needs. For more information visit [www.diaconalministries.com](http://www.diaconalministries.com)

## **Thanksgiving Drive for the Lighthouse Food Bank:**

In our tradition for the Thanksgiving Service, the deacons will be collecting donations for the Lighthouse Food Bank; So we will be handing out Blessing Bags at the end of today's service. We are running short of bags so here is a list of items most needed by the Lighthouse; you may bring them in cloth or plastics bags next week. Please bring them to the front of the church during the donation time in the service. The items are: canned fish, pasta sauce, juice boxes, oatmeal, rice, ground coffee (for serving) and also feminine hygiene products. Thank you.

**College & Careers:** We will gather after church today (Sunday, September 30) at Adrian & Suanne's for lunch and a discussion. If you are between the ages of 18-30, please join us! Check out the Willowdale CRC College and Careers Facebook page for more info about this event and the C&C.

**Congregational Potluck Thank you!:** Thank you to everyone who participated in last week's potluck lunch. The food was wonderful and the fellowship was great! A special thank you to everyone who helped in the kitchen! Our last pre-planned potluck of 2018 will take place on Sunday, November 25, reminders will appear in the Willowdale Weekly.

## **Anniversary this week:**

September 30 — Frank & Ann Guillaume (57<sup>th</sup>)

## **Birthday this week:**

October 5 — Janet Antonides

**Pastor Search Team:** Dear congregation, mid-November and Pastor Joel's leaving will be here before we know it.... If you have nominations for Pastor Search Team members, please send your nominations to Henry Eygenraam ([henryeygenraam@gmail.com](mailto:henryeygenraam@gmail.com)) or 905-477-3635.

**New 2018/2019 WCRC Directory:** Dear Willowdale, a new print directory is in the works! The directory is a great tool to connect with your church family, and we would like everyone to be included. Please check the folders in the **Fellowship Hall** today, to make sure your contact information is correct. If all is well with your entry simply leave a check mark. If corrections are needed please make the edits next to your name. If your name and contact information are missing, and you would like to be included in the new directory, please add your information to the back page of the folder. If you have any questions please speak to Gerard Duiker or Alana Yoneyama – [office@willowdalecrc.com](mailto:office@willowdalecrc.com)

**2018 Boerenkool Fundraising Dinner – Last Chance:** On Saturday, October 13 Willowdale CRC will host its biannual Boerenkool Fundraising Dinner at Willowdale Christian School (doors open at 5:45 p.m. – dinner service starts at 6:00 p.m.)! This year all proceeds will go to the Huisman family (education fund) [www.levenstekens.nl/en/](http://www.levenstekens.nl/en/) Tickets are \$20 per adult, \$15 for children 12 and under, children under 3 years old are free! To purchase your tickets please speak to Cathy de Peuter, Willy Martens or email the office: [office@willowdalecrc.com](mailto:office@willowdalecrc.com) This is the last Sunday to purchase your tickets. Don't miss out on this fun and meaningful event!

**Ladies Bible Reading:** We will meet this Tuesday, October 2 at 10:00 a.m. in the church Narthex, to read and reflect on John 18. All ladies are welcome! For more information about this group please speak to Corrie Vanderhoef.

**Youth Group - Nachos & Gym Games:** Join us at Willowdale Christian School, on Tuesday, October 9 at 7:00 p.m., for nachos and gym games. If you are in grades 5-12 and would like to join us please email Alana and Catherine at [wrcyouth@gmail.com](mailto:wrcyouth@gmail.com)

**Senior's Internet Café:** NeighbourLink is looking for volunteers. The Internet Cafe project, designed by Neighbourlink addresses the social participation and inclusion of seniors by encouraging and empowering them to use technological resources to stay connected with family and friends. Armed with these tools, seniors have the opportunity to be engaged in the community which helps to promote an improved sense of wellbeing. We need a volunteer to facilitate the internet workshop, and /or a volunteer to set up and pack up after the workshop ends. The workshop runs for approximately an hour from 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon, with 15 minutes for setup and a bit of socialization with the seniors before it begins and 15 minutes to pack up. It is held in the fellowship hall on Thursday mornings here at Willowdale. Support and training will be provided. Workshops run for 8 or 9 weeks. We welcome volunteers that would like to be involved in this exciting ministry and we will work with whatever time you can commit to. Please talk or email Beth Little at [beth.marie.little@gmail.com](mailto:beth.marie.little@gmail.com).

**Celebrate With The Lighthouse:** Wow! The Lighthouse is celebrating 50 Years working with refugees, newcomers, and the community. Join the celebration on Saturday, November 3, 2018, at our Annual Dinner at Toronto District Christian High School in Woodbridge, ON. Stories from the past 50 years will be shared, along with a special dinner and silent auction. Reserve your spot, or a table of 8, by contacting Tabitha Eastman at 416-535-6262 or [tabitha@lighthousecentre.ca](mailto:tabitha@lighthousecentre.ca). Your reservation is your ticket. A donation request will be made at the dinner.

**Save the Date (note the new date):** Please mark the evening of Saturday, **November 10** on your calendar. A combined celebration of Willowdale's 55th anniversary and a good-bye to Pastor Joel and Tricia is being planned. Since every celebration/good-bye needs food, this event will feature dessert! More information will be shared as it becomes available.

### Week at a Glance: September 30 – October 6

Day	Time	Location	Event
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sanctuary	Morning Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Miedema's	College & Careers
Monday	12:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall	Senior's Exercise Class
	7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary	Joyfully Singing
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Narthex	Ladies Bible Reading
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	Room #1
Thursday	9:45 a.m.	Fellowship Hall	Senior's Exercise Class
	7:00 p.m.	Toddler Room	Casual ESL Class

### Schedules

Nursery Volunteers	
<b>Today</b> Beatrice Vandervelde & Nicholas van Lingen	<b>October 7</b> Tricia Kok & Xanthe van Lingen
<i>Reminder – please wait in the nursery until 10:15 a.m. to receive late arrivals – thank you!</i>	

Coffee Servers	
<b>Today</b> Adrian & Suanne Miedema; Elena Kooshki; Jennifer Dekker	<b>October 7</b> TBD
<i>Reminder – coffee servers are to lock all outside doors – thank you!</i>	

Second Offering	
<b>Today</b> Diaconate	<b>October 7</b> All Nations Children's Ministries (Pauline Ho)