



WILLOWDALE WEEKLY

Willowdale Christian Reformed Church

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November 17, 2024

Thank you from John Cappon & family: John Cappon and the extended Cappon family wish to thank all the staff and volunteers of Willowdale CRC who helped make Helen's celebration of life service a memorable day for all. Thank you all for the love, care, and support during this difficult time.

Faith Promise 2025 PLEDGING YOUR SUPPORT FOR WCRC: Dear Congregation: Your Willowdale Council is asking that you prayerfully consider pledging your financial support for Willowdale CRC for 2025 by returning the pledge form by December 8th by email to either John Meiboom (john.meiboom@gmail.com) or Nasser Zand (zand.nasser@yahoo.ca) OR to hand it in to them at church.

In the Old Testament, God urged his people to give from the first fruits of the harvest to the temple. Your cooperation with this process is a way of doing that in our context. It will help us to finalize the 2025 budget. Thank you for your support!

Prayer Requests: Please pray for our **1st offering** for our **church ministries and expenses**, faithful giving is a blessing to our whole church family.

Please pray for our **2nd offering**; Chaplaincy and Care Ministry. Chaplaincy is a healing, reconciling ministry of God, an expression and extension of God's activity and mission in the world. It provides pastoral ministry in specialized settings to people who are hurting or in crisis, uprooted or dislocated. Through the presence of chaplains, the very settings in which they minister become surprising places of grace. Chaplains are exceptional, well-trained ministers of the Word or commissioned pastors who serve in specialized ministries beyond the walls of the church. Chaplains are specially trained, called and ordained by the church, and sent by Jesus Christ to provide spiritual care to people in pain or spiritual distress. Visit <https://crcna.org/chaplaincy>

Every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. all are welcome to attend a **ZOOM prayer meeting**, email Alana for the ZOOM link and to submit a prayer request or praise report (alana.yoneyama@willowdalecrc.com)

Birthdays:

There are no birthdays to report.

Ride Request: A young senior woman who lives in the Senlac/Sheppard area would like a ride to church on Sunday mornings. She has transportation arrangements for a ride home after church. Please contact Alana at the church office (647 889 8508) or email if you can be part of a group who takes turns giving her a ride (alana.yoneyama@willowdalecrc.com).

Advent & Christmas Schedule – Mark Your Calendars!

Sunday, December 1 – 1st Sunday of Advent, worship service starts at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, December 8 – 2nd Sunday of Advent, worship service starts at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, December 8 – Intercultural Potluck – Evening Christmas Gathering, more details will be shared as they become available.

Sunday, December 15 – 3rd Sunday of Advent, worship service starts at 10:00 a.m., includes Children's Ministry skit, more details will be shared as they become available.

Saturday, December 21 – Christmas Party hosted by our **Farsi Fellowship**, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. at Willowdale Christian School, 60 Hilda Ave. All are welcome!

Sunday, December 22 – 4th Sunday of Advent, worship service starts at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, December 22 – Lessons & Carols Service, join us at 7:30 p.m. for this special service of reflection on our Saviour's birth.

Wednesday, December 25 – Christmas Day Service, come and rejoice, the service starts at **10:30 a.m.!**

ZOOM Host Schedule:

November 17 – Alana

November 24 – Alana

December 1 – John

December 8 – Peter

December 15 – Alana

December 22 – Peter

December 25 – Alana

December 29 – Alana

Greeters Schedule:

November 17 – Ferdinand & Nathan

November 24 – Cici L.

December 1 – Asal P.

December 8 – Ann G.

December 15 – Batac Family

December 22 – Rob D.

December 25 – Gerard D.

December 29 – Ferdinand & Nathan C.

Coffee & Tea Serving Schedule:

Nov 17 – Nelly, Zohreh, Sylvie

Nov 24 – Suzanne, Zohreh