

for your information

If you have not yet had an opportunity to contribute to our **special 95th Anniversary Offering**, we will be accepting donations until the start of the project itself, in late January 2019. Monies collected will be used to reduce the amount of the loan needed for our upcoming renovation project. **We are grateful to all those who have contributed to the special offering to date, totaling \$25,765.**

For those who are interested in supporting the renovation project with regular monthly contributions, please consider using Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD), where a specified amount of money comes out of your bank account each month. To participate, **please complete the PAD form found at the Information Desk** and put in the collection plate or drop off at the church office.

We are looking for some people to provide childcare for preschoolers during the Christmas Eve service. These are paid positions. Please contact Pastor Elizabeth if you are interested.

There are a variety of options to keep in touch with **what's happening @ Westhill**. To get your news via e-mail, please sign up for our newsletter (on our website), to join our FB page, go to 'Westhill Park Baptist Community' or visit our on-line calendar.

For those who are unable to drive to church on a Sunday morning and want to attend our service, **we provide a bus service at no charge.** Please contact 'Where 2 Transportation' @ 306-522-4477.

Please drop off your (clean) recyclable cans & bottles in our blue recycle bins. Proceeds are sent to Bolivia to fund simple house repairs to make houses safe to live in.

Out of consideration for those in our congregation that have serious allergies to any kind of scented products, please **refrain from using scented sprays, colognes, perfumes, deodorants, etc.**

Options available for automated giving: 1. PAYPAL - PayPal allows you to contribute to Westhill using a variety of methods, including your debit and credit cards. Go to westhillchurch.ca and click 'Give' or 2. Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) - Paperwork is available @ the Information Desk.

For changes to your PAD, please e-mail carla@westhillchurch.ca.

NEW - AUDIO ON DEMAND

Weekly message podcasts are now available on Google Play Music, Apple iTunes or by installing the **sermon.net app** on your smartphone and searching for Westhill Park. More information can be found at westhillchurch.ca "Audio on Demand".

Celebrating Christmas @ Westhill



MONDAY DECEMBER 17

The CHRISTMAS CHOIR will be singing at The Lutheran Home (1925 5 Ave N).

TUESDAY DECEMBER 18

Our **Ladies Christmas Coffee Connection** with a silent auction & catered breakfast. Lucy Tinson will be sharing her journey of faith. **If possible, please drop off your items for the silent auction before December 18 (except food items).**

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 19

The CHRISTMAS CHOIR will be singing at The Bentley (3105 Hillsdale St.).

SUNDAY DECEMBER 23 - THE 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Join us at 10:30 am. There will be a baby dedication during the service. Pastor Jordan will be speaking, focusing on LOVE.

CAROLS & CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Celebrate the birthday of a king as a babe in a manger in Bethlehem.

Our candlelight service begins at 6 pm.

Childcare will be available for children up to Grade 1.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 30

Saying 'goodbye' to 2018 and reflect on all the ways God has worked in each of our lives this past year. The deacons will be serving hot apple cider & cookies after the service.



DECEMBER 16, 2018

WELCOME TO WESTHILL

We are happy you are here to worship with us today as we celebrate this 3rd Sunday of Advent.



Thank you' to Ann Smith and her children Melody, Danica & Riley for lighting the candle of JOY this morning.

Pastor Elizabeth Mortley is speaking this morning. Additional sources for her message include Just Between Us - Heather Webb, Defiant Joy - Stasi Eldridge and Jesus' Journey to Joy Study Series - John Piper.

Our Elementary SS kids are singing during the service this morning led by Amanda Douglas and Sheila Gust. We are also happy to welcome the POWER & PRAISE PUPPETS this morning, under the guidance of their director Irene Ludvigson.

We appreciate and are grateful to all those who volunteered today - as ushers, greeters, technical support, nursery caregivers, those who make the coffee and our Sunday School teachers. 'Thank you' to Rob Nelson and the rest of the team for leading us in our singing.

We ask that **everyone attending** today add your name & some information in our **blue registration books**. Please include names of all children with you, anywhere in the building.

Child care is provided in our nursery in the PreSchool Wing. Pagers are available for parents/caregivers.

HEARING ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE @ THE INFORMATION DESK

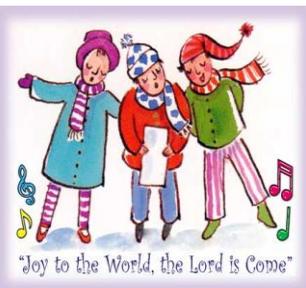
YOU ARE INVITED!

AN HOUR OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC

@ 6:30 pm

Invite a friend or neighbour to come along with you to do some singing and enjoy some special Christmas music.

Followed by hot apple cider & cookies in the Fellowship Room.



Sunday morning for kids

BABIES & TODDLERS (up to 2 years) in the Nursery

PRESCHOOL (2 years - Kindergarten) in the Preschool Wing
Children learn about God and His love for them through Bible stories, songs, games & crafts in a loving, safe & nurturing environment.

ELEMENTARY (GRADES 1-5) in the Fellowship Room
Teaching kids Biblical truths, using the ORANGE philosophy of ministry - church & family working together, helping them to grow in their faith.

this week @ Westhill

Thursday @ 11 am. Adult Prayer Lunch - You are invited to join us for a time of prayer at the church (Room 8), as we pray for our faith community, the world and each other with (an optional & fun!) lunch @ Normanview DQ following the time of prayer. Questions? Contact Deb Mievre @ 306-545-9244 /Don Ross @ 306-775-0012.



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

We are once again **packing hampers for those less fortunate in our community**. We are asking for donations of *hams, fruit juice, Christmas oranges, canned vegetables, cranberry sauce, fresh potatoes & carrots, cookies, chocolates, coffee & tea.*

Last minute donations can be dropped off at the church tomorrow. If you are able to help with the packing/delivering of hampers later this week, please contact Pastor Elizabeth.

BOLIVIA MISSIONS TEAM FUND RAISING CONCERT

Featuring Rory Allen

SUNDAY JANUARY 27, 2019 @ 7 pm

Ticket price is \$25 (advance) and \$30 (at the door).

Tickets will be available Sunday mornings in the office before and after the service.

There will be NO reserved seating at the concert.

please pray for

- **Our Stephen Ministers and for their care receivers.** May they all feel God's presence close to them through the care that is given and received.
- **Tim & Kallie Hutton**, our CBM missionaries in Bolivia. Pray for health & strength and continued support of their work with the Bolivian people.

Personal prayer requests are not published online out of respect for personal privacy.



As a church body, we are encouraged to pray for others. To **join our Prayerline**, go to westhillchurch.ca. To **request your prayer on the Prayerline** go to westhillchurch.ca, 'Pursuing God', 'Prayer' or call the church 306-775-1616. If you also want your **request in the bulletin**, please call the church or send an e-mail to prayerline@westhillchurch.ca.



STEPHEN
MINISTRY

A Ministry of Caring

In Matthew 25:35-36 we read "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and You gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me". One of the ways our congregation cares for others is through our trained Stephen Ministers, who go to those in need and care for them.

To connect with a Stephen Minister, please contact one of the co-ordinators, Wendy Treble (cell: 306-581-5363) or Bob Erwin (cell: 306-533-8514). To send your request via e-mail, go to our website westhillchurch.ca.

We are pleased to announce that **training for several new Stephen Ministers begins early 2019.**

