

June 24, 2018

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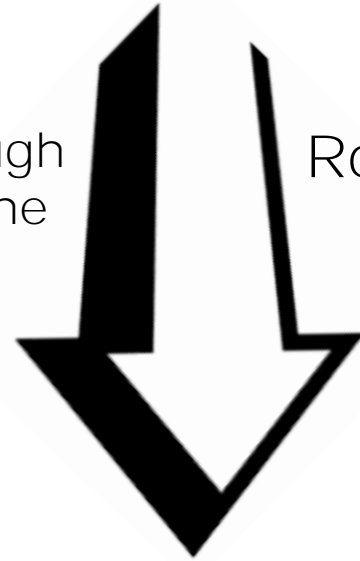
**We're glad you're here today. We're a** group of people learning what it means to be followers of Jesus. This is a place where **everyone is welcome, nobody's perfect, and** anything is possible. We welcome and encourage you to share your life with us as we journey in faith together.

What can you expect on a Sunday morning? Our worship services aim to be about 70 minutes long, with a mix of praise singing & prayer, and a time of inspiration and learning through the teaching that explores scripture, and issues of everyday life.

We believe that by working together, sharing our faith and our lives, we can accomplish much more than we could individually. **With God's help and the power of** the Holy Spirit, we believe we can transform our community and our world as the hands and feet of Jesus on earth.

**If you're ready for us to get to know you, please fill out a "Welcome" card from** the pew and bring it to the Connection Point in the foyer after the service. We hope you too will find a place of belonging here, and share your life and faith journey with us.

Through  
The



Roof

*"...some men came, carrying a paralyzed man on a bed...finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus."*

-Luke 5: 18 & 19 (NRSV)

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# happenings

New to our church? We would like to get to know you. We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card which is in the pews. Please leave it in the box marked Connect/Reconnect at the exits at the front and back of the Sanctuary or at the Connection Point table.

*Today at 9am we celebrate the  
Baptism and Blessing of*

Ayla Nancy Anne Wall  
Child of Trevor and Lora Wall

*Today at 11am we celebrate the  
Baptism and Blessing of*

Devyn Olivia Humphreys  
Child of Samuel and Natasha Humphreys

ONE Service at 10am on these dates:  
NEXT Sunday July 1st (Canada Day)  
Sunday August 5th (Civic Holiday weekend)  
Sunday September 2nd (Labour Day weekend)

Staff Notes | Rev. Katie Southon will be away from June 12th - 26th. Rev. Orville James is available during this time for any pastoral needs.

Summer Hours | for the office will start on Tuesday July 3rd. The office will be open Mon - Thurs from 9am-3pm and Friday 10am-2pm. The office is closed on Monday, July 2nd for Canada Day.

Worship Music Playlist: Heading out of town this summer? Take some of our favourite worship songs along for the ride! Find the link to our **worship music playlist on the "Links" page of the Wellington Square website Home Page.**

## happenings cont.



**KETCHUP SUNDAY** | Last Sunday's happy event with hot-dogs and Ketchup gave everyone an opportunity to Catch-Up on our weekly offerings to God. Over \$3,500 was gained so far, and we hope that, as many of us scatter with vacations, **travel & cottages, God's work in this place will** continue to be well resourced. THANK YOU for your ongoing participation and support.



If you are nudged by God to share your Creative Communication/Musical Gifts and love working with youth, we have a GraceLand Serving Opportunity for you. Please contact Heather Mackey at [hmackey@wsquare.ca](mailto:hmackey@wsquare.ca) for details.

From the Office | The church will be closed from 11:30am - 2:30pm on Wednesday June 27th.



**Chris Tomlin Concert** |  
When: Fri, Sept. 21, 2018  
Time: 7-10pm  
Where: Church on the Queensway, Etobicoke.  
Tickets can be purchased online at:  
[www.christomlin.com/Events](http://www.christomlin.com/Events)

Nut-Free Scent-Free | Please note that at Wellington Square we do our best to be a nut-free and scent-free safe space for everyone. Thank you for your contributions to this effort.

## Be part of the future of our church NOW.

The JNAC (Joint Needs Assessment Committee) needs your input to shape our search for a new WSUC minister.

Give your feedback by July 1: online by directly entering the survey address, online via the link on [wsquare.ca](http://wsquare.ca), News and Events page, or for a paper survey contact the Office.

[www.surveymonkey.com/r/wsucjnac](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/wsucjnac)

Share your voice.



**One Burlington Festival**  
Celebrating Faith & Culture

RELIGION  
CULTURE

Ethnic Food, Entertainment from Different Cultures, Children's Games and Information Booths

**August 6, 2018 12:00 - 4:00 pm**  
**Central Park Bandshell**  
**2311 New Street, Burlington**

Free & Open to the Public  
[oneburlingtonfestival.ca](http://oneburlingtonfestival.ca)



GraceLand - a place full of God's grace...where children learn the love of Jesus and how to shine His light everyday. Sundays at 9am for Nur to Gr. 6

Participant Forms are required every year for children and youth to ensure safety for all. 2018 forms have been mailed to each family to complete and return to our GraceLand Reception Area. These forms can also be picked up at the GraceLand Reception desk and found on our website under Children & Family Ministry. Thank you for supporting our Plan 2 Protect Procedures.

What is GraceLand Learning?  
June 24 to Aug. 26 - The Big 10  
(The 10 Commandments - Exodus 20)

PLEASE get your registration forms in ASAP.



GraceLand Needs:  
Animal Cookies  
Plain rice crackers  
Fish crackers



### SourcePoint: Young Adult Worship

*Today & Sun July 1 ~ 10:45am ~ Pritch. Rm*

### **If you're a young adult over 18 join us for**

SourcePoint this week and next Sunday for a time of acoustic worship and continuing to explore the fruit of practicing Sabbath in a culture of anxiety.

### Miniputt Night

*Wed July 4 Time: TBD - 3050 Guelph Line \$8*

### **We're going miniputting! We'll figure out a time**

that works for everyone so e-mail Adam at [acresswell@wsquare.ca](mailto:acresswell@wsquare.ca) if you want to join! If **finances are an issue email and we'll cover you** - Money will never stand in the way of our events!

### Beach Day

*Date: TBD ~ Pinehurst Conservation Area*

### **It's summer. Let's beach it. There's an awesome**

little lake hidden in a valley about 45 minutes outside of Burlington. Adam will send out a **doodle survey to find the best possible date but we're thinking late July!** P.S. they make really good onion rings right by the beach.



### EDGE Pool Party and BBO

*Sun June 24 (Today!) ~ 4-8pm ~ 1368*

*Winterberry Dr - Gr 9 and up*

Grab your bathing suit/towel & come to the **Hickersons' this afternoon. Bring a side dish or a dessert and we'll provide the hotdogs and burgers!**

# PARENTS & WEE ONES Drop-in



*Drop-in' morning for  
parents and their  
wee ones.*

**Tuesdays  
9:30 am**

Share a morning together, support one another and hang out  
over coffee/tea with your children.

Meeting place - GraceLand Toddler room Nursery is available if needed.

For more details, please contact Heather Mackey at [hmackey@wsquare.ca](mailto:hmackey@wsquare.ca)



**SUMMER FUN**

## **SUMMER** CAMP!

**MAKING MEMORIES THAT LAST A LIFETIME!**



**AWESOME CAMPS FOR AWESOME KIDS**

**RYERSON CAMP • [ryersoncamp.com](http://ryersoncamp.com)**

**SILVER LAKE • [silverlakecamp.ca](http://silverlakecamp.ca)**

**CAVE SPRINGS • [cavespringscamp.on.ca](http://cavespringscamp.on.ca)**



**"Disciples Making Disciples"**

*"And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, commit to faithful men who will be able to teach others also."*

2 Timothy 2:2

Vision | to have every person in a healthy small group.

Mission | To live out the GREAT COMMANDMENT (Matt. 22: 37-39) and the GREAT COMMISSION (Matt. 28: 19-20).

WOW book club | meets Mon. July 30th at 7pm at the home of Donna Dobson, 5255 Lakeshore Rd, Unit #6. The book we are **reading and discussing is "The Nightingale"** by Kristin Hannah. \$15 donation for supper. We would love to have you join us. Please contact wow@wsquare.ca

THANK YOU to all who participated in the 4 **week small group study "BEFORE AMEN"**. You were an AWESOME group. May God continue to bless you with a prayer life that brings peace and rest!

Monday Men Lunch Group | Meets Mondays at noon-1:30 pm in the McMillan Rm. Friendly discussion on topics that influence Christianity. Please bring your bible & a brown bag lunch. Our last meeting before we break for summer is June 25th. For more information please call Colin Morley 905-634-1477.

### **Wednesday Men's Study B'Fast**

Try out the new summer schedule with breakfast, and a golf option. Contact Cory Stidwill at: ccstidwill@sympatico.ca  
June 27 – 7a.m. Burlington Springs Golf Club

Thursday at Seven - New Series: *"What Makes You Happy"* by Andy Stanley; a six session DVD study and discussion. Please contact Bruce: bmagwood@TORRLANE.ca

**ATT'N SMALL GROUP LEADERS:** As summer approaches, we would like to take an inventory of our Wellington Adult Faith Resources. If you currently have books, DVDs etc. that are part of **our Adult Faith Ministry's inventory, could you please let me know?** Thank you in advance. Joy.

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2018 – A two day opportunity for world class leadership training! You will find a unique blend of inspirational & practical skills that you can apply immediately. A few of the key presenters are: Craig Groeschel – ( Co-founder & Senior Pastor, Life church), T.D. Jakes (Founder & Senior **Pastor, The Potter's House), John Maxwell** (Leadership Expert, Best Selling Author, coach), & Danielle Strickland (Pastor, Author, Justice Advocate)

WHEN: Thursday, October 18, 2018 & Friday, October 19, 2018

WHERE: Compass Point Church, Burlington  
EARLY BIRD SPECIAL: If we get our registration in before September 18 & have a group pf 10, we will qualify for the Early Bird Special of \$159. Please sign up at the CONNECTION POINT table.

NEW SMALL GROUPS: Please speak to Joy if you have an idea for a new small group that you would like to see offered this fall.



## Friday Community

As we push into our 10th year and reflect on so many celebrations, we are also reminded of the many needs of those who are facing daily struggles. This past Friday I sat with one of our friends who lives in her car and another young gentleman, the same age as one of my sons, who is living on the streets in Oakville. Through conversation I learned a little more about his story. He went to my neighbouring high school (decades apart) and we chatted about all of the local hangouts. On top of sharing a meal together and connecting in conversation, we were able to provide him with some much needed resources of clothing, a backpack, hygiene items and our Where to Get Help in Burlington brochure. But more importantly we were able to offer him some comfort, care and hope during a difficult time. Please know how much your gifts of time, financial and food resources that you share so willingly directly impact many friends in our community. As we move into the hotter summer months and vacation time for many, we will be looking for volunteers to help in various capacities. This includes Friday morning set up and sorting food, as well as playing games and connecting with friends in the afternoon Hub of Kindness and Purpose.

Blessings of goodness:

\*the household items & furniture collected to furnish **Sheila's apartment**

Most Needed Items:

\*salad bar toppings & dressing

\*ceiling & floor fans

\*2 plug in kettles for kitchen on Friday

For information contact: [fnc@wsquare.ca](mailto:fnc@wsquare.ca)



## reaching out

Growing Together for Malawi  
Hands and Hearts for Africa needs you!

We are looking to expand our team of volunteers. All are welcome!

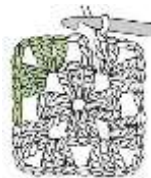
Have you a heart and passion for:

- Serving others from afar or close by
- Learning about the beautiful and warm people of Malawi, Africa
- Prayer
- Financial Administration
- Web Design
- Communications
- Organizational skills
- Knitting or crocheting
- Serving at fundraising events...and more...

Then there is a place for you on the HAHFA team!

We meet as needed several times a year. For more information please contact:  
[frannie\\_gray@yahoo.com](mailto:frannie_gray@yahoo.com)

New Initiative for children in Malawi:



Do you Knit or Crochet? We need 8 inches of your talent! We are joining forces with mothers and grandmothers in Malawi who will stitch together your squares and create blankets

for children in their communities. Crochet or knit as many 8 inch squares as you wish, and we will send them to Malawi. If you love the idea but you're not crafty, you can also donate wool, crochet hooks or funds towards postage!

For more information please contact:  
[frannie\\_gray@yahoo.com](mailto:frannie_gray@yahoo.com)

## The 6 Gs at Wellington Square

**Gather** Provide a caring place where, in community with others, we can explore who Jesus is and what it means to be Christian.

**Give Hearts** We accept Jesus Christ as the Lord over our lives, and attempt to imitate Him in all our relationships and activities.

**Grow** We grow in relationship with Jesus, characterized by lives changed through prayer, study, service, stewardship and discovering our God-given abilities along with our unique place to serve. Ephesians 4: 11-13

**Give Gifts** We use our spiritual gifts and financial resources to passionately serve God both in the church and in our communities.

**Go** We intentionally share our faith with others and encourage them toward a growing relationship with Jesus.

**Glorify** We uphold worship as a primary activity as Christians. We encourage and equip individuals to give thanks and praise to God in all they do.

### *I'VE BEEN THINKING ...about 'Change'.*

Our 'VISION' night last month showed a strong and repeated yearning for new development and experimentation. We don't want to stagnate and decline. Amongst the leadership and active participants this is a common theme. It's in our spiritual DNA and orientation.

This may be what has kept Wellington Square on a healthy path. We know that we want to keep evolving – so that we continue to maintain vibrant ministry and mission. The numbers suggest that has been happening. I looked this week at our attendance figures for the last four years. (Comparing apples to apples) for the months of November & May from 2014 through 2018. In Novembers, our total attendance (kids, choirs, everyone) was consecutively 432, 438, 432, 412. The GraceLand numbers were even better -128, 131, 129, 135. There are seasonal ups and downs of course, and there is turnover, as people move, or drop away. But the averages are holding.

I visit & have contacts across the United Church of Canada. To my thinking, we are one of the 3 United Church congregations who has best embraced careful innovation and development. We will continue to do so.

Innovation and experimentation usually originate in the grassroots – the people in the seats. An idea surfaces, or a problem needs solving, or a new opportunity is noticed. And so solutions and new ventures are suggested, and welcomed. Around here that will continue.

Of course it can't be a 'wild-west' free-for-all. The elected leaders must do 'due diligence', with the big picture in mind. So the elected leaders will work with innovators, to keep us moving forward in a way that crackles with vitality, and resonates with unity.

Let's do it together, because... *'Change is here to stay'.*

Grace, Peace, and Joy to you,

*ORVILLE*