

***I'VE BEEN THINKING...***

***About today's theme and came across this story from Fred Craddock a great preacher from the States. It says something that we need to live out as a Christ centered community***

I remember when we lost our farm when I was a kid. We moved into town to a little four-room house, a small house on a dirt street on the south side of the little town. We had one spigot out in the yard, but no water in the house, no electricity, and the toilet was **out back. We were poor as Job's turkey** and having a rough time.

My sister was entering high school. She had trouble with her complexion when she was moving into her teens, you know, a pockmarked face and always worrying about it and keeping her head down and combing her hair over part of her face. She was bothered by it, and it was just terrible.

One day in the mail my sister got an invitation from Cullen Lyle to a **slumber party. Now you don't know Cullen**, but she was the prettiest girl in high school. Her father was a wealthy businessman, and they lived up on Main Street, and my sister got an invitation to her slumber party.

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## Christ Centered Community

***"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. "***

-John 13: 34-35 (NRSV)

***"for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus."***

-Galations 3: 26-28 (NRSV)

# welcome!

**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.

# happenings

Flowers are placed in the chancel today to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Karin Luise Guger from husband Richard Guger, daughter Sharon and her family, Steven, Charlotte and Sophie.

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.

From the Board | VISION NIGHT - All are invited to join us on Wednesday May 23, 2018 from 7:00pm - 9:15pm as we share our ideas and dreams for the future of Wellington Square. We ask that you sign up for VISION NIGHT so we can plan our evening. The signup sheet will be located on the Board table in the foyer area. Hope to see you on the 23rd!

Grow For The Green Program | Throughout the year if you make purchases, at Holland Park Garden Gallery, simply give **Wellington Square's name or phone number** (905)634-1849 and they will credit us with points that we can then put towards purchasing flowers or vegetable plants for our gardens and community garden beds.

New Members | Have you been around Wellington Square for a while now and feeling comfortable enough to **belong? We'd love you** to officially join this congregation on Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. Please let us know by contacting the church office at (905)634-1849 or [office@wsquare.ca](mailto:office@wsquare.ca)

# happenings cont.

## Ringer Needed



Do you enjoy listening to our Bell choir? Are you curious about the sounds created? Are you able to read music? Do you have ringing experience OR do you want to learn a new skill? Are you free on Thursday

mornings for practice? The Bell Choir will have a vacancy in September. Come, join us. For more information Contact: Tish Buckley at [p.buckley@sympatico.ca](mailto:p.buckley@sympatico.ca)

Photo Directory | is now available after both the 9 and 11 a.m. services at the Connection Point and also in the office during the week. Cost: \$3.

Fellowship Lunch | Please join us on Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup> after the 11am service. Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at the door.

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.





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

May Themes:

- Self-worth
- A Generous Giver

Our SALT class in GraceLand is for Gr. 6 students. SALT stands for Servant and Leadership Training. Throughout the year students have learned much about Jesus and His teachings. Over the next 6 weeks, students will explore their Spiritual Gifts and how to use their gifts to glorify God and model the ways of Jesus in serving and in attitude. This ministry is an important part of our continued faith growth in GraceLand...equipping jr. youth to serve God and others.

From Generation to Generation GraceLand continues to be a place where children learn about the love of Jesus and see His love shine through our wonderful team of volunteers. Thank you for your servant's hearts.



**CONFIRMATION: Session 2** *Tues May 15 – 7-9pm* Confirmation will have it's 2nd session and we'll be exploring why saying yes to Jesus isn't about following a bunch of rules, but about building a living, loving relationship. Don't forget your Jars!!!

**Rockpile: Forgiveness Pt. 2!** (Gr. 7-8)

*Wed May 2 – 7:30-9pm* We're continuing our look at Forgiveness this Wednesday night! Last time we explored how forgiveness isn't easy but if we're not forgiving others, we're blocking off being able to receive forgiveness, like a snorkel with Duck tape over top. This week we're going to look at HOW we can strengthen our "Forgiveness Muscles".

**COMING SOON...**

**High Schoolers End of Year POOL PARTY/BBQ** *Sun Jun 24 - 4-8pm - Hickerson House* - Gr. 9-12 What better way to end off the school year than with a PARTY! Come for FOOD, FUN AND SWIMMING! Please bring a side-dish or dessert to contribute & Adam will provide the burgers, hot dogs, and veggie dogs / burgers! Bring a towel your bathing suit and sunscreen as we party to end June!

**Grade 6's invited to June Rockpile events!**

*June 6 7:30-9pm - Taste Test Trivia – Youth Room* *June 20 5-8 - Pool Party BBQ - Lisa Lunski's House* As the school year and Rockpile come to a close we are inviting any and all Grade 6's to join us for our June Rockpile events! Including a Blindfold Taste Test Trivia night on Wed June 6 AND our Rockpile End of Year Pool Party and BBQ on June 20<sup>th</sup> at Lisa Lunski's House! We want to see ALL our Grade 6's out so come get a sneak peak of what you'll get when you come and join Rockpile next fall!



# In the Belly of the Whale



**Mon. August. 27 -  
Thurs. August. 30  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**\$30**

*per child per week*

*No refunds after July 1st.  
Financial assistance is available.*

**SK to Grade 5**

*(Must be 5 years of age by Dec. 31, 2018)*

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## 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 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)

**SUMMER FUN**

## *VISION NIGHT*

Wednesday May 23

7:00pm - 9:15pm

Where We're At...Where We're Headed...





*Do you like to cook  
and help others?*

There are many times in our Wellington Square Church family when a home-cooked meal is helpful and encouraging.

**What is required?**

- Home cooked meal OR baked good for family or individual
- Label what food is with cooking instructions
- Label at the bottom 'Food Ministry' and for how many it will feed
- All meals must be nut-free and placed in recyclable containers
- Bring to church and leave in McMillan room chest freezer

**For more information  
please contact  
Heather Mackey  
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**SMALL**  
**groups**  
"Disciples Making Disciples"

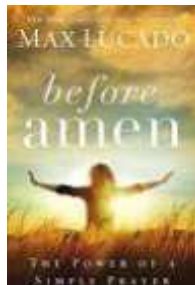
*"And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, commit to faithful men who will be able to teach others also."*  
2 Timothy 2:2

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).

NEW STUDY: A 4 SESSION DVD STUDY by NEW YORK TIMES BEST-SELLING AUTHOR MAX LUCADO.....

**"BEFORE AMEN".** In this study, Max Lucado reveals how connecting with God each day can be as simple as **five short sentences: "Father, you are good. I need help. They need help. Thank you. In Jesus' name, amen."** He shows you how to embrace a prayer life that brings peace and rest.



WHEN: Tuesdays, May 22&29. June 5&12, 2018 TIME: 7-8:30pm  
WHERE: Pritchard Room  
FACILITATOR: Joy Magwood  
Co-Facilitator: Ana Walber Study Guide: \$10 Sign up at the CONNECTION POINT TABLE or [jmagwood@wsquare.ca](mailto:jmagwood@wsquare.ca)

WOW Book Club - Monday May 28th @ 7pm  
**Book: "The End of Your Life Book Club" by Will Schwalbe.** Our Host: Laurie Tindale 4124 Apple Valley Lane. If you have questions or would like info on WOW please email [wow@wsquare.ca](mailto:wow@wsquare.ca)

I AM A CHURCH MEMBER - Rick Warren from Saddleback Church says **"It is impossible to grow to spiritual maturity by yourself. You must be connected to other parts of the Body. This wonderful little book explains the power of belonging to a church family."** For those who are looking forward to taking the step of being received as a Wellington member, we invite you to join us for discussion of the book on Sunday May 27th in the chapel at 10:30am. Please sign up at the CONNECTION TABLE or contact [joymagwood@gmail.com](mailto:joymagwood@gmail.com). Cost of book \$10.

Thursday at Seven: New series **"Grace is Greater"** by Kyle Idleman; God's Plan to Overcome Your Past, Redeem Your Pain and Rewrite Your Story. Five week book and DVD study. Please contact Bruce: [bmagwood@TORRLANE.ca](mailto:bmagwood@TORRLANE.ca)

JOYFUL SPIRITS: We will gather on Thurs. May 17th at 7pm in the Pritchard Rm to watch & discuss the DVD **"NOT IN VAIN"** by Andy Stanley.....a MOST ENCOURAGING MESSAGE FOR THE CHURCH of JESUS CHRIST.  
Contact: [jmagwood@wsquare.ca](mailto:jmagwood@wsquare.ca)

Kettles on Tea | Please join us on Monday May 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-3pm in the Pritchard Room for our afternoon tea. The **"Singing Strummers"** will be playing for all to enjoy!

Monday Men | 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. For more information please call Colin Morley 905-634-1477.

Thank you!! Thank you!!! We have 60+ volunteers on our CONNECTION TEAM & 30+ group leaders in our small group ministry. You ALL **make such a difference for God's community** here at Wellington. Please know that you are loved and appreciated. TRULY, you are **"DISCIPLES MAKING DISCIPLES."**





## Friday Community

This past Friday many friends in our city and neighbourhoods were impacted by the wind storm. Just prior to our meal we lost power at the church, and everyone worked together to gather emergency lighting, pull out paper plates and help those needing extra assistance until we regained power. It certainly is a blessing to have a community that steps up where needed, works together and willingly helps one another out. It filled our hearts when one of our younger boys who was celebrating his 14th birthday decided that instead of receiving a special birthday dessert to enjoy himself he wanted to give it away in **order to brighten someone else's day.**

We are looking for some gently used/newer furniture for some families:

- \*gently used couch and love seat
- \*gently used pull out or regular couch
- \*end tables and coffee table for living room
- \*bedroom end tables
- \*storage cabinet for basement
- \*curtains and blinds
- \*kitchen table with chairs
- \*bar stools/chairs
- \*dressers for smaller bedrooms
- \*outdoor patio furniture

Blessings of goodness:

\*the donations of wool that will be enjoyed at the afternoon Hub

Most Needed Items:

- \*yogurt and black take out containers
- \***snacks for children's lunch bags**
- \*salad bar toppings & dressings
- \*gently used shoes and running shoes

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



# reaching out

WELLINGTON SQUARE FOODGRAINS  
GROW PROJECT

SEEDS OF LIFE FARM VISIT

(We have a 10 acre plot on this 72 acre project)

Saturday June 2, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

2383 Wilson Street West  
Alberton, ON



Enjoy muffins and drinks, and music by the Hiller Family. See the wheat growing and learn about the Foodgrains Bank. For information: Noel Henderson at [njhenderson@sympatico.ca](mailto:njhenderson@sympatico.ca) or Dianne Zuber at [diannezuber@msn.com](mailto:diannezuber@msn.com). Or phone Noel at 905-681-2791 for a ride.



REACHING OUT  
NEWSLETTER

MAY 2009

Be sure to pick up a copy of our Reaching Out Spring Newsletter for updates on all our initiatives. Available in the foyer after the services.

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And I heard my sister after she was seventy years old speak of the importance of that. If I can drop a footnote here: If you are poor, and exclude prosperous **people because you think they're smart, or if you're prosperous and exclude the poor - you have a right to do that, but it's not church.**

-Fred Craddock