

Worship Service- Remembrance Sunday November 26, 2017

Message: Rev. Dr. Todd Thomason

Worship Leader: Holly Froese

Worship is an act of remembrance that elicits offerings of praise and sacrifices of self to God, and sends us back into the world to live as instruments of the Lord's peace. We remember who Christ is. We remember who we are in Christ.

Prelude *Come Thou Almighty King* Shannon Woolfrey, organ
What A Beautiful Name Worship Team

Welcome and Call to Worship Rev. Dr. Todd Thomason

Scripture *Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24* Pat Simon

Songs *O Worship the King*
How Great is Our God
Your Are My King

White Bags
Belong, Grow, Serve Shannon Carkner

(Children Invited to Sunday School)

Scripture *Ephesians 1:15-23* Craig Kennedy

Congregational Prayer Bruce Neal

Offering
Offertory *In the Bleak Midwinter* Kingsway Choir

Scripture *Matthew 25: 31-45* Rev. Dr. Todd Thomason

Message *"Preparing to Prepare for Christmas"* Rev. Dr. Todd Thomason

Silent Reflection

Closing Song *You Have Shown Us*

Benediction Rev. Dr. Todd Thomason

Postlude

KINGSWAY IN PRAYER

Remember to pray for:

Elizabeth Angus, Faye Klassen, Gloria Graham, Ellen Perry, Dick Roberts, Pearl Thomas @ Burton Manor, Jo Djenar (on mission trip – Indonesia)

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

We gather in the gym (Nursery – Grade 5) for an open session, then separate to the following rooms:

Nursery Care Sunny yellow room behind stage
Toddler/JK/SK Room off of the Gym
Grades 1-2 Board Room
Grades 3-5 Fellowship Room
Grades 6-9 SERVE Sunday



LIBRARY LINES



Next Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent. Borrow Advent resources for you and your family from your library today!

KINGSWAY THIS WEEK

Today after worship service: Join us for the Business Meeting in the Lower Auditorium

Monday, November 27

9:30 am Mom's group

1:00 pm Knit n Chat

Wednesday, November 29

6:00 pm Kingsway Youth

Sacntuary Christmas decorating

Thursday, November 30

7:30 pm Kingsway Choir rehearsal

Saturday, December 2

5:30 pm rEcess

ON THE HORIZON

December 7 Diamonds Christmas Luncheon

December 9 Open House (2-5 pm)

December 17 "Joy!" – Christmas Cantata

(For a complete schedule of events, please visit our website at www.kingswaybaptist.ca under What's Happening>Events Calendar)

Thursday Morning Diamonds – December 7 at 10:30 am

We'll gather in the lower hall for our Christmas program of songs (led by *Shannon Woolfrey*) and stories (read by *Bruce Neal*) prior to a special luncheon. Cost will be \$10 per person. Please RSVP and pre-pay to *Lynda Wright* by Sunday, December 3rd.

White Bag Sunday

Today, the Mission and Outreach team is handing out white bags to help support the Mabelle Food Bank. The Food Bank has a strong need for the following: canned fish, canned meat (e.g. ham, turkey), pasta sauce, peanut butter, canned stew, canned vegetables, canned fruits and juice. Please bless a Mabelle family this Christmas by dropping off your filled white bag on **December 3rd** and **December 10th**. If you would prefer to donate money, Stonegate Ministry is collecting money for food vouchers for families in need. Please make your cheque out to Stonegate Ministry and write "food vouchers" on it. Please give the cheque to *Graeme Quigley* or *Sumitra Robertson*. As Christmas approaches, M&O will be sharing other ways you and your family can make a difference in the lives of others locally and internationally, so stay tuned!

Advent Decorators Needed!



Would you like to help Kingsway get ready for the Christmas season? Many hands make light work. The decorating committee is looking for **7 ADULTS** to help us and the youth get the sanctuary ready for Advent. It will be on **Wednesday, November 29th at 6:00 pm**. Group dinner at 6:00 pm followed by group

decorating at 6:45 pm. Jobs include wreath hanging, Christmas tree set up & decorating, garland stringing and much more!

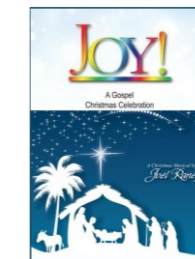
To volunteer your time, please reach out to Carolyn White

Email: carolynwhiteconsulting@gmail.com or phone: (416) 885-6237

Kingsway Open House and Great Christmas Bake – Dec 9

Do you like to bake Christmas cookies? Do you like to eat Christmas cookies others bake? Do you enjoy eating Christmas cookies with your friends? Would you like to help our neighbours know more about our wonderful church by giving away Christmas cookies? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then do we have an event for you! Come out to KBC on Saturday, **December 9, between 2-5 pm**. for a warm drink & a tasty treat. Invite a friend to come with you. We're hosting a drop in to show love to the community this Christmas season. Bring your baking talent, your welcoming spirit, or simply invite someone from the community over for a snack. Contact the church office for more information, or to let us know you'd love to bake some cookies for the event (on- or off-site).

Christmas Cantata



On December 17, our Kingsway Choir is presenting a special Christmas Cantata entitled **Joy! A Gospel Christmas Celebration** during our regular worship service at 10:00 am. Please plan to come and invite your friends for this joyous musical event!

Hopeful Gifts for Change

Looking for meaningful gift ideas this Christmas? The CBM *Hopeful Gifts for Change* catalogue is now available in the foyer! Don't forget to pick up a catalogue for your family after the worship service, or visit hopefulgifts.ca to purchase gifts online. This Christmas, give the gifts of hope and change.



R&R for MJ

Our Director of Family and Childrens' Ministries, *Mary-Jane Clarry*, will be taking a six month leave of absence to rest and recharge after a decade of faithful and devoted ministry to KBC's children and their families. It's been a heart- and hands-on ten years, and she needs a break. Her leave is scheduled to begin December 1, 2017, and extend through May 31, 2018. *Kristina Gummatova* is excited to be able to fill the Children's Ministry leadership position on an interim basis for this six month period. The Elders and staff are likewise excited about what Kristina brings to this role, and look forward to working with her and supporting her in this work.

Update on rEcess

Can you believe it - rEcess is now in its fifth season! Under the inspirational leadership of Deb Sutherland and Shelley Neal, a host of volunteers give parents 4 hours to themselves as they leave their children to have fun with various activities throughout our church building. You may know that a special feature of this respite programme is that it's for everyone, a family's child (or children) with special needs and their "neurotypical" children, too. This year there are 48 families enrolled with a total of 60 kids . . . and growing! Our capacity is 25 boys and girls so it means that the monthly online registration fills quickly, sometimes in less than an hour of opening! New youth volunteers of various religious and cultural backgrounds who have found us through Youth Expo have expanded our pool of helpers and allow us to show them what Christian love in action looks like. With 72 volunteers in the pool currently, we hope to have 100 volunteers by the New Year so we can run another Saturday night each month to help serve more families - the need is so great! A big shout out to one of our home groups for a delicious meal for the volunteers for our November night - special thanks to the Freeman and Sider families and their excellent servers, Kenya, Thalia, Nathan and Micah. We would welcome any small group or a couple of families joining together to feed approximately 45 volunteers.



Recent heart warming comments from our rEcess kids:

"This church is beautiful!"

"rEcess is amazing!"

"We were sad we didn't get on the list! But so excited that someone cancelled so we get to come!"

KBC Christmas Gift Ideas

Butterfly note cards and tote bags by our own *Jo Djenar* are available for sale before and after the worship service in support of Jo's mission trip. As well, there are sets of coasters of our beautiful rose window. Locations: Before the worship service in the foyer and after worship in the lower hall.

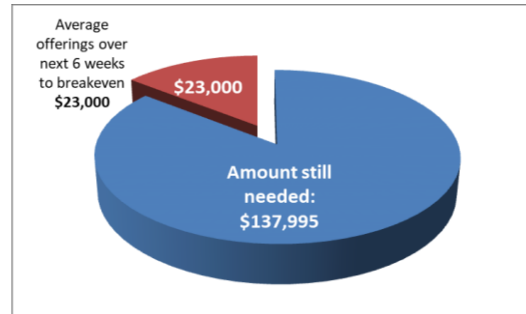


FINANCIAL UPDATE:

Grateful for your gifts this past Sunday, November 19th:

General Fund	\$6,205.00
75 th Anniversary Fund	2,200.00
Indonesia Mission Trip	1,550.00
Capital Fund	1,283.35
rEcess	25.00
Benevolent Fund	10.00
Bruce Greogry Memorial Fund	10.00
Total Offerings	\$11,283.35

Average weekly offerings (Jan-Nov 12)	\$ 8,721
Offerings needed to meet full year expenses	\$137,995
Number of weeks to yearend	6
Average weekly offerings needed	\$ 23,000



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## MINISTRY/OFFICE STAFF

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