

Share the joy, love and hope of this Christmas Season.

You, your family, neighbours and friends are invited to Stouffville United Church for this special time of year. There's lots going on you'll find uplifting and positive. Here are a few current activities for you to enjoy, featuring 2 Christmas Classics Concerts December 4, 3:30 & 7 PM and other events of the Christmas season at Stouffville United Church.

Stouffville United Music Concerts presents:

2 Christmas Classics Concerts featuring live vocal and instrumental performers and audience interactive participation including Pipe Organ, Shout Sisters Choir, Django Djunkies and more.

Sunday, December 4
Matinee 3:30 PM • Evening 7:00 PM

Seating for 300 at each concert.
\$10 Adults. \$5 Students. \$25 Family.
Purchase at the door or inquire online at
www.Stouffvilleuc.ca

CALENDAR OF OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Friday November 25th - Messy Church
Our next Messy Church event is on Nov. 25th from 6 - 8pm in our Auditorium. This is a fun time for families of Stouffville to come to do crafts, play games, eat a meal together and to celebrate God. Free Will Offering.

Saturday November 26th - SUC Men's Breakfast
At The Upper Room on Main St. 7:30 am to 9 am.
Guest speaker - Colton Carrick.
Free Admission, Special \$6.95 breakfast.
All ages welcome - Info 905-642-2545

Sunday November 27th - Advent 1
Worship begins at 10:30am. Holy

Communion. All welcome to share.

Sunday December 4th - Advent 2
Worship begins at 10:30am.

• **"Warm up" Campaign wrap up for Food Bank**
"Warm up" Campaign "MST" - acronym for Mittens, Socks and Toques. Please be sure to include adults as well. Please deposit your gifts in baskets up to December 4th in time to distribute for the cold weather at church service or at either evening concerts

• **SUM Concerts - Christmas Classics**
Two shows - 3:30pm and 7pm Seasonal music performed live. Net proceeds towards Stouffville United's Habitat Pledge, new church roof and Donations

for the Food Bank. **Admission \$10 Adults, \$5 Students, \$25 Family. Sold at the door and in advance.** All are Welcome! For further information Website www.StouffvilleUC.ca

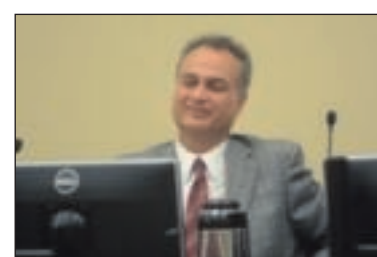
Sunday December 11th - Advent 3
Worship begins at 10:30 am. White Gift donations collected and Choir Cantata

Friday December 16th - Messy Church
Our next Messy Church event is on Dec. 16th from 6 - 8pm in our Auditorium. This is a fun time for families of Stouffville to come to do crafts, play games, eat a meal together and to celebrate God. Free Will Offering. More information at www.StouffvilleUC.ca

Saturday December 17th - Children's Worship Event
Trampoline/Dinner/Crafts Event Starting at the Trampoline Park in Newmarket at 3pm we return to the Church for dinner and Gingerbread House making. Information www.StouffvilleUC.ca

Sunday December 18th - Children's Presentation
Worship begins at 10:30am. Children's Christmas Pageant during service.

Saturday December 24th - 2 Christmas Eve services
Sunday December 25th - Christmas Day Carol service



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Town CAO Pourvahidi dismissed after 7-month leave

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The CAO's been sacked!

The town of Whitchurch-Stouffville has dismissed its chief administrative officer Marc Pourvahidi, effective Nov. 18, 2016.

Council made the decision after an "in-camera" discussion at a meeting on Nov. 15. As a result, the town cannot release further details on the decision.

Pourvahidi had been on administrative leave since late April due to a "personnel matter", as stated by the town press release. The duration of his leave was written as "unknown", effectively leaving the town without an official CAO for seven months. During his leave, the town had interim CAOs hold the post.

"Council takes this situation very seriously," said town spokesperson Glenn Jackson. "And felt the process needed to be dealt with thoroughly."

Pourvahidi's leave of absence - first stated as sick leave - followed a revelation that the town had an exodus of 30 employees from January 2015 to April 2016.

Fire chief Rob McKenzie served as interim CAO for two weeks until leisure and community services director Rob Raycroft took over the role.

Jackson confirmed the town has no plan to hire a new CAO "at this time."

Pourvahidi was originally the town's former director of finance and was hired as CAO on May 5, 2015 after serving as acting CAO since March 2015. He replaced former CAO Andrew McNeely who was placed on administrative leave and eventually resigned on April 21, 2015.

McNeely took the job from Dave Cash, who had been CAO since 2006. Cash unexpectedly retired in 2013.

Council thanked Pourvahidi for his service to the town in the issued press release.