

## SPOTLIGHT

### Ministry in Focus: Lenten Devotional Booklet

Reading and reflecting upon Scripture together through the season of Lent with the aid of a devotional booklet has been a spiritual discipline that we have shared together at Good Shepherd for many years. This past year marked the first time that we as a congregation produced our own Lenten devotional booklet. Entitled "Together on the Way", the booklet was a collection of reflections written by 38 different members of the Good Shepherd family designed to accompany our corporate reading of the Gospel of John during Lent. The "Together on the Way" booklet is readily recognizable by its striking cover image painted by Liron Boghossian. Stemming from the positive contribution that the booklet made to our life together as the church last year, plans are now in the works for a devotional booklet for 2009. If you are interested in contributing your time and gifts in the areas of writing, editing, art, or formatting/production, please contact Sharon Clinton (sfc26@sympatico.ca) or Cathie Proulx (cathie@interfree.ca).



### Did You Know?

- Many members of our Good Shepherd community are away this weekend serving at or participating in the Alpha Weekend.
- Approximately 50 grocery bags of food were collected for the Daily Bread Food bank as part of our Thanksgiving food drive.
- Les Howell served in Italy and Gord and Kay MacGilchrist served domestically with the Canadian forces during the Second World War.

## The Week at a Glance

<b>Monday</b>	Faith & Film: <i>Syriana</i> – 7:00 PM
<b>Tuesday</b>	Women's Bible Study – 9:30AM Alpha – 6:30PM Marriage Course – 6:30PM Jr. High – 7:00PM
<b>Wednesday</b>	Club House – 6:45PM The YG – 7:30PM
<b>Thursday</b>	Choir Rehearsal – 7:30PM
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	College & Careers – 7:30PM
<b>Sunday</b>	Convergence – 9:00AM Worship Service – 10:30AM



### General fund offerings for November

Our monthly budget requirement for 2008 /2009	\$23,150
Offerings to November 2, 2008	\$13,530

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to listen to past messages and services*

**Elders:** Robyn Allin, Margaret Barker, Joan Howell, Murray Lahn, Brian McConnell  
- Co-Chair, Dave McCready, Natalie Nash - Co-Chair, Peter Oulton, Rej Proulx

**Staff:** Terri Barker - Youth Pastor, Barb Constable - Minister of Music, Rob Dean -  
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## Good Shepherd Community Church

Sunday, November 9, 2008

Welcome & Greeting - *David Schuchardt*

Remembrance - *Les Howell*

Silence

Prayer - *Rob Dean*

Hymn: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (#52)

"Standing Steadfast in Hope" - Prayer for GSCC  
- *Barb Constable*

The Presentation of Gifts

Offertory

Song of Offering: "We Are an Offering"

Children's Ministry - *Julie Gold*

Life and Ministry of the Church

Scripture: Revelation 18:1-24 - *Sharon Clinton,  
Gertie D'Silva, Chris Platteel, David Schuchardt*

Message:

"Babylon: Judgement and Redemption  
in the Marketplace" - *Craig [redacted]*  
Theme: "Reframe: Seeing the Kingdom Come"

Choral Reflection:

"How Lovely is Your Dwelling Place" - *Carter*

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Communion Praise

Blessing

## Life and Ministry of the Church

### Faith and Film – This Monday

The political thriller *Syriana*, the next film in the Faith and Film series, will be shown this Monday, November 10 at 7:00 pm. The oil business, political espionage, religion and terrorism are all woven together for examination in this provocative film. Come out and join us for the movie and discussion.



### Christmas Poinsettias

This year our sanctuary decorations will include red poinsettias. You may purchase one or more of these in memory of a loved one. All memorial gifts will be published on Sunday, December 21<sup>ST</sup>. To order, please fill out the poinsettia envelope, including payment in cash or cheque (payable to Good Shepherd Church) and place it in the offering plate. All orders must be received by November 30<sup>TH</sup>.



### Ministry Opportunity

The Outreach Committee is looking for additional members for their committee. Meetings and other activities are as needed. Please contact John Harvey, Murray Lahn or Margaret Rowe for further details.

### Youth : THE BATTLE

Do you enjoy a good competition amongst friends? Well, this night will involve fun, competition and the unexpected. Rules will change, new games to be tried and old games revisited. **Date:** Friday, November 21<sup>ST</sup>; **Time:** 7:30-11:00PM; **Cost:** \$5

### Breath Prayer for the Week of November 9

*O Lord, not to us but to your name be the glory.*  
(Psalm 115:1)

### International Dinner & Annual Meeting

It is that time again to crack open your recipe books and get ready to prepare your favourite dish for the International Dinner and Annual Meeting. This year it will be held on Sunday, November 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2008. Anyone interested in volunteering in helping with this event should contact the Church Office for more details.

### Christmas Hampers

Christmas is fast approaching! While Care House is no longer operating a food bank from the church, there are still families in the neighborhood who look to Good Shepherd for help at Christmas time. In response to this need, we would like to be able to continue the tradition of giving Christmas Hampers. The final assembling and distributing will take place on Wednesday, December 17<sup>TH</sup>. If you would like more information or would like to help but were unable to attend the meeting on Nov. 9<sup>TH</sup>, you can talk to Vi Lucas at 416-447-1770.



### Mark Your Calendars

...for the Ali Matthews Christmas concert here at Good Shepherd on Friday, December 12. Ali gave us a memorable presentation last year, and this will be a launch concert for her new Christmas CD. Tickets will be available beginning next Sunday. Plan now not to miss this excellent evening in our Kaleidoscope event series.



### Our Families in Prayer This Week

*Jeff, Elaine, Rebecca, Aimee  
& Adam Hammond  
John Harvey  
Mary Hatchett*

## Prayer and Praise

### Please Pray For:

*Dearly beloved members of our Good Shepherd family who are not able to be with us regularly for health reasons: Bob Bell, John Boddy, Stan Branch, Cathy Cooke, Jessie Geddes, Norma Jackson, Irene White, Portia Wilkinson, Al Yuill*  
All those who are at Jackson's Point this weekend for the Alpha Retreat.

*Sarah Normore* for peace and strength as she undergoes surgery this Tuesday.

*Joanna and Edward Kim and family* as they mourn the passing of Joanna's brother Jung Choi.

*Michele McCready*, who is slowly recovering from an unidentified medical condition.

*Louise Daniel and family*, as they mourn the passing of Luther Daniel, a long time member of Good Shepherd.

*Bob Bell*, who has been on a waiting list for months for a single room at Bridgepoint. He needs a private room due to his infection and single rooms are few.

*John Boddy*, who has had hip surgery. Please pray for John and Marie, Lori McAuley and family as John enjoys a full physical recovery.

*Sharon Clinton*, for wisdom for the doctors and restored health and peace for Sharon.

*Debi Radin*, as she adjusts to full working days after her successful treatment for cancer.

*Many of our Good Shepherd family who are mourning deaths of loved ones.*

### We Give Thanks For:

*Ev England*, who has rejoined us in worship after her knee surgery

*Carol Smith*, whose leg is healing well and who is now almost pain free.

A wonderful evening of worship and celebration that accompanied Rob Dean's ordination on October 26.

Please notify the church office ([office@gsc.ca](mailto:office@gsc.ca)) if you have a praise item that you would like to see included in this section.