

SPOTLIGHT

Ministry in Focus: Day Camp

We have finished our first week of Day Camp 2009, and it was a huge success. The staff have worked exceptionally hard to continually provide high-energy and enthusiastic activities for the 70+ campers that participated this week. Our theme was "A Series of



Unfortunate Events" and the staff and campers considered the life of Job, looking closely at his response to God in the midst of difficult circumstances. Next week, we're studying the life of

Noah and are looking forward to the debut of the "High Seas Musical," featuring the acting and musical talents of our own GSCC youth.

Eye On Outreach: Habitat for Humanity

In recent years Good Shepherd Community Church has supported and partnered with the Toronto affiliate of Habitat for Humanity. Habitat for Humanity International is a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry that was founded in 1976 by Millard and Linda Fuller. Their concept centered on those in need of adequate shelter working side by side with volunteers to build simple, decent homes. Habitat's goal is to mobilize volunteers and community partners in building affordable housing and promoting home ownership as a means of breaking the cycle of poverty. The Toronto affiliate began in 1988 with a group of dedicated volunteers and a few corporate donors who began by building one or two homes every couple of years. Their goal for 2010 is to build 100 homes a year.



The Week at a Glance

Monday	Day Camp – 9:00 AM	
Tuesday	Day Camp – 9:00 AM	
Wednesday	Day Camp – 9:00 AM Jr. High & YG – 7:00 PM Praise & Prayer – 7:30 PM Summer Book Club – 7:30 PM	
Thursday	Day Camp – 9:00 AM	
Friday	Day Camp – 9:00 AM	
Saturday		
Sunday	Too Hot to Handle / Christianity 101 – 9:00 AM Worship Service – 10:30 AM	

Financial update to end of May, 2009

General fund offerings July 1 – May 31, 09	\$221,937
Budget	\$254,650
Other income (rentals, Day Camp)	\$76,747
Total Income July 1 – May 31	\$298,684
Total expenses July 1 – May 31	(\$293,332)
Amount income exceeds expenses at end of Apr.	\$5,352.00

General fund offerings for July

Our monthly budget requirement for 2009 /2010	\$25,000
Offerings to July 5, 2009	\$6,907

Contact information

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Pastoral Team: Barb Constable - Minister of Music, Rob Dean - Associate Pastor, John McAuley - Minister at Large, Carol Smith - Children's Pastor, Sharon Tam - Lead Pastor, Melissa Weigel - Church Administrator

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

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Sunday, July 5, 2009

Day Camp Sunday

*Welcome & Greeting ~ *Dave McCready*

Prayer of Approach and Confession
~ *David Schuchardt*

*Songs of Praise
~ *Summer Adventure Day Camp Praise Team*

*Children's Ministry
~ *Summer Adventure Day Camp Team*

*Life and Ministry of the Church

*The Presentation of Gifts

Offertory ~ *Debi Radin & Nigel Chang*

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:14-17 ~ *Jordan Lahn*

Message:

"How Can a Thoughtful Person Believe in the Bible?"

~ *Sharon Tam*

Theme: "When Skeptics Ask"

The Apostles' Creed

The Sacrament of Holy Communion ~ *Rob Dean*

Communion Praise

Blessing & Commissioning

*Late arrivals will be seated at marked sections of the service.

Those wishing to receive prayer ministry are welcome to come to the couches at the back of the sanctuary after receiving communion.

Encountering Christ and Thoughtfully Following Him

Life and Ministry of the Church

Welcome!

A warm welcome to those visiting or here for the very first time. Whether a long-time follower of Jesus Christ or exploring for the first time, you are welcome here. Please fill out a Welcome card and drop it in the offering plate to let us know of your visit. If there is any way we can assist you, do not hesitate to contact one of the pastoral team.

Day Camp Week 2 – July 13-17

Day Camp 2009 continues this week; there is still space to register for week two. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please contact Melissa Weigel in the church office – and remember to keep Day Camp in your prayers.

Questions Too Hot to Handle – Sundays at 9 AM

This class explores questions left unanswered from the sermon series, “When Skeptics Ask.” Each week we’ll discuss the previous Sunday’s theme and any new questions arising from the sermon topics. Next Sunday’s question will be, “*How Can a Thoughtful Person Believe in The Bible?*” Come discover more about who God is and how he desires to interact with us in the world. No question is Too Hot to Handle!

Christianity 101 – Sundays at 9 AM

Christianity 101 is a 10-week exploration of the basics of the Christian journey, the importance of the sacraments and how they relate to our faith. An opportunity will be given in early September for those who wish to be baptized.

Summer Book Club – twice monthly on Tuesdays

We are reading “*Following Jesus in a Culture of Fear*” by Scott Bader-Saye, meeting at 7:30 PM on the following Tuesdays: July 14, 28; August 11, 25. Copies of the book are available at the Reading Post and the reading schedule will be on the Welcome Table.

Staff Notes

- Melissa Weigel will be on vacation from July 14–22. Jean Miller will cover the office during this time.
- Carol Smith returns from vacation on July 14. She and Pam Farquhar have been touring Switzerland with the Ontario Presbyterian Choir.
- Barb Constable will be on vacation until July 21. Please pray she enjoys a restful time at the cottage.

Summer at KidsLand

Kids Land will be spending SUMMER ON THE WATER. As often as weather permits, we will be outside learning about stories from the Bible that involve water and having fun with water. Please dress your children for active and WET play (clothes and footwear). Please protect your children with sunhats and sunscreen.

Coffee Makers and Kettles

If you have a working drip coffee maker or kettle you are no longer using, we would be happy to take it off your hands sometime before the fall. Our current ones have run out of steam and we’re looking for a few to replace them – but just a few. If you can help us in this small way, we would be very grateful.

Day Camp Clean Up Day – This Saturday, July 18TH

We will be having a GSCC Clean Up Day on Saturday, July 18TH from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Please join us in doing some cleaning around the church in the aftermath of Day Camp. Sign up sheets will be on the Welcome Table after the service.



Prayer

- ♦ **MONDAY:** Ila Hunter, one of our dearly beloved members, who is unable to attend regularly due to health issues. Pray for patience, guidance, comfort and peace that only comes from the Lord.
- ♦ **TUESDAY:** Melissa Weigel and her friend Brian Kulick, as they head on a road trip through New England for their vacation. Please pray for safety on the road and that her car remains in good condition afterwards.
- ♦ **WEDNESDAY:** Habitat for Humanity. Pray as they continue to do meaningful work in our city to build affordable housing. Pray that the Lord enables them to reach their goal to build 100 homes over the next year.
- ♦ **THURSDAY:** Anne Jack’s cousin Kathy, who has started chemotherapy this week. Please pray that this chemo will be effective and for her husband, Wally, as he cares for her and also for his business.
- ♦ **FRIDAY:** Allan Vander-Spek’s great Aunt, Marty Fisher, who had hip replacement surgery this past week. Please pray for her healing and that the Lord will provide strength to get through this painful time.
- ♦ **SATURDAY:** Tania Paige, David Schuchardt’s sister, who lost her friend Tanya this past week after being rushed to the hospital for a lung transplant. Please pray for Tania’s family, as this is their second funeral in seven months.
- ♦ **SUNDAY:** Youth Pastor Search Committee (Cindy McConnell, Sharon Tam, Dave McCready, Pauline Penecad, Julie McConnell, Daniel Lahn, Courtney Liu). Pray for discernment and guidance from the Holy Spirit as they meet with candidates this week.

Please notify the church office (office@gsc.ca) if you have a prayer request.



Our Families in Prayer This Week

Paul Clarke

Greg, Sharon & Kayleigh Clinton

Yvonne Clunies