

SPOTLIGHT

Ministry in Focus: Drama Ministry Team

People learn and experience the Living Word of God in different ways. The drama ministry is an opportunity to utilize the talent of aspiring actors, writers, singer/songwriters, directors and producers in our congregation in service of the communication of the Gospel on Sundays in worship.

We also endeavour to have the ability to reach out into our community through drama.



If you'd like to be a part of this new and exciting ministry please contact Sharon Fiennes-Clinton via email: sfc26@sympatico.ca or telephone: 416-491-1574.

Eye on Outreach: Pregnancy Care Centres

"For You created my inmost being; You knit me together in my mother's womb." Psalm 139:13

This is the verse the Pregnancy Care Centres have chosen for their 25TH Anniversary. Yes, PCC has been around now for 25 years. Can you imagine the number of women they have assisted over those years? How about the first child who escaped abortion because of PCC? That person in their mid twenties could be completing school, getting married, having their own children. That person might know of their mother's story and have a better start to parenting. The Pregnancy Care Centres are celebrating and are inviting you to join them. Their first event is a dessert night at Bayview Glen, October 3RD.

This fundraising celebration will feature the CCM Children's Choir, interviews with past clients, and home made desserts (and we all like desserts). Check the Outreach Bulletin Board for more information.



The Week at a Glance

Monday		
Tuesday	Ladies' Bible Study – 9:30 AM Jr. High YG – 7:00 PM	
Wednesday	Club House Kick-Off Carnival – 6:45 PM The YG – 7:30 PM	
Thursday	Prayer & Praise – 7:30 PM	
Friday		
Saturday	CVC Meeting – 8:30 AM	
Sunday	Too Hot to Handle / Christianity 101 – 9:00 AM Worship Service – 10:30 AM	

Financial update to end of August, 2009

General fund offerings July 1 – August 31, 09	\$45,604
Budget \$50,000	
Other income (rentals, Day Camp)	\$65,889
Total Income July 1 – Aug 31	\$111,494
Total expenses July 1 – Aug 31	(\$79,718)
Amount income exceeds expenses at end of August	\$ 31,776

General fund offerings for September

Our monthly budget requirement for 2009 /2010	\$25,000
Offerings to September 6, 2009	\$3,712

Contact information

Pastoral Team:		Email Announcements	Announcements@GSCC.ca
Sharon Tam	Sharon@GSCC.ca x 25	Private Prayer List	PrivatePrayer@GSCC.ca
Rob Dean	Rob@GSCC.ca x 23	Pastors	PastoralTeam@GSCC.ca
Carol Smith	Carol@GSCC.ca x 27	Elders	Elders@GSCC.ca
Barb Constable	Barb@GSCC.ca x 24	Condominium concerns	CondoBoard@GSCC.ca
Nigel Chang	Nigel@GSCC.ca x 26	Directors	Directors@GSCC.ca
Melissa Weigel	Office@GSCC.ca x 22	A/V concerns	AVTeam@GSCC.ca
		Executive	Executive@gsc.c.ca
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General Inquiries	Office@GSCC.ca	Alpha inquiries	Alpha@GSCC.ca
Public Prayer Requests	Prayer@GSCC.ca	The Marriage Course inquiries	Marriage@GSCC.ca

Pastoral Team: Nigel Change - Youth Pastor, 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

Good Shepherd Community Church

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Encountering Christ and Thoughtfully Following Him

Sunday, September 13, 2009

Welcome & Greeting - *Rej Proulx*

Opening Prayer - *David Schuchardt*

Songs of Praise

Prayer of Confession

Singing Our Prayer: "Give Us Clean Hands"

Celebrating God's Grace in Song

The Presentation of Gifts

Offertory - *Krista Shugart*

Doxology

Children's Ministry - *Sarah Schuchardt*

Life and Ministry of the Church - *Rob Dean*

Scripture:

Acts 17:1-10, 13; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

- *Gertie D'Silva*

Message:

"Church on Fire: The Power of the Gospel"

- *Sharon Tam*

The Apostles' Creed

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer [*sung*]

Communion Praise

Blessing & Commissioning



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.

Club House Kick-off Carnival – This Wed., Sept. 16 at 6:45

On Wednesday, September 16TH from 6:45 - 8:15 PM, Club House will be back to their usual fun to kick off the new Club House year. There will be games, popcorn, and balloons! This is the day to bring friends and let them see how much fun Club House is! This is an “Information Night” for parents. All are welcome to try it out for a few weeks before registering.



Called to Care Telephone Tree

The GSCC Prayer network helps keep our congregation informed about recent happenings and urgent prayer needs. For those without email, a telephone network is being set up by Chris Platteel to ensure non-email members are informed of urgent news during the week. Please add your name and number to the Telephone Contact List on the table in the foyer. Also please contact Chris (416-298-3332 or cplatteel@gmail.com) if you are willing to participate in the network and call 3 to 5 people.



Alpha Help Needed

The Alpha Meal Team is in need of some additional help, especially in the area of cleanup. If you can spend an hour or so on a Tuesday night (or two or three) to help clean up after the meal, then we'd love to have your help! If you'd like to help in other areas, such as cooking or setup, we'd love to hear from you too! Please contact Nancy Lahn (416-299-5507 or Alpha@GSCC.ca) for more information.

Notice: New Sanctuary Carpeting

With the completion of the installation of the new carpet, our worship service returns to the sanctuary next week. Out of respect for other worshippers and for the One we worship, please refrain from eating and drinking during the service. There are sometimes extenuating circumstances (medical conditions, bottled water for speakers and musicians, etc.) which require individuals to partake of food or drink during worship, therefore this is not a hard and fast rule, but rather a plea to respect our fellow worshippers and a request reflecting our desire as a community to cultivate a worshipful environment. If you do eat or drink in the Sanctuary (or other places in the church) at other times, please remember to clean up any messes or spills. Thank you for your participation and cooperation in caring for our facilities.

Ladies' Bible Study

The Ladies' Bible Study resumes on Tuesday, Sept. 15TH at 9:30 AM. We'll continue our study of Paul's letters to Timothy and Titus. There's a sharing and intercessory prayer time, ending around 11:00 AM. We welcome newcomers. Contact Jean Miller at 416-497-5072 for info.

Alpha – Starts on Tuesday, Sept 22ND

The next Introductory Banquet will be Tues., Sept. 22ND at 6:30 PM. Bring friends, neighbours and co-workers to this wonderful meal and video, “*Is there more to life than this?*” Invite them for the ONE night. They can choose to sign up for the full 10-week course, Tuesday nights from 6:35 PM to 9:20 PM. See www.gsc.ca/alpha.htm for details and brochure (also in the foyer today). If you plan to bring someone to the wonderful roast beef dinner, please advise Nancy Lahn or send an e-mail to Alpha@gsc.ca.

Alpha II – A Life Worth Living

For those who've taken Alpha and would like something more, we're offering the follow-up study, “*A Life Worth Living*,” a study of the book of Phillipians. Alpha II runs at the same time as Alpha and is a great opportunity to have further study yourself when you bring a friend to Alpha.

Visit the Good Shepherd Web site at www.gsc.ca to listen to past messages and services or to sign up for any of our e-mails lists (announcements, prayer requests, or CVC updates).

Prayer

- ♦ **MONDAY:** Pray for the Platteel family and especially for Crystal, Patrick and Amber, as they mourn the loss of a baby girl, Phoenix Amber, who died during premature labour at 26 weeks. Doctors had to induce labour because of Crystal's extremely high blood pressure. Pray for healing for Crystal and courage for all.
- ♦ **TUESDAY: Club House Kick Off.** Pray that the Lord may bless Club House this year with many new children, and that we would have enough leaders to accommodate them. Pray for a great kick-off event and that the children would learn of the love of Jesus through this ministry.
- ♦ **WEDNESDAY: Pregnancy Care Centre.** Thank God for his everlasting favour on the work of this mission as they celebrate their 25th anniversary this fall. Continue to pray for donors and volunteers as they serve women dealing with unexpected pregnancies through compassionate support and care.
- ♦ **THURSDAY: Al Yuill,** one of our beloved members, who is unable to attend regularly due to health issues. Thank the Lord for the blessed promise to be with us through difficult times and that thousands of saints stand as proof he will never leave us or forsake us.
- ♦ **FRIDAY: Kay MacGilchrist,** who had a bad fall which resulted in acute pain that makes it difficult to sit for long periods. Pray for bodily restoration and comfort as she misses being away from Sunday worship.
- ♦ **SATURDAY: Carol Smith and Rosemary Laffan,** as they have traveled to England to visit Rosemary's family. Pray for safety, good health and that it be a time of rest and enjoyment for them.
- ♦ **SUNDAY: Almighty God,** who has knit together your saints in one communion and fellowship, grant us the strength to follow you in all virtue and godly living that we may come to know your joy, peace, unity which you so freely give.

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



Our Families in Prayer This Week

Mary Hatchett

Les & Joan Howell

Kathy Huang