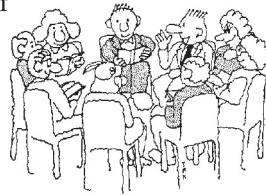


SPOTLIGHT

Alpha Weekend Update

Thank you so much for all those who were praying for the Alpha Weekend last week. The Lord provided a glorious weekend of wonderful weather, great teaching and refreshing fellowship to 27 guests, children and leaders who attended. The Salvation Army's Jackson's Point Conference Centre provided the backdrop for 42 hours of teaching on Christ and the Holy Spirit. There were opportunities throughout the weekend for fun, but more importantly for teaching, discussion and prayer. Some of the guests experienced the joy of giving their hearts to Christ for the first time. Others received the start of inner healing, while others allowed God to take hold of their hearts and lives in a fuller way. We are so grateful to Good Shepherd folks who have in the past given to the Kathy Keller fund, which has enabled many people who were unable to cover the cost of the weekend to have the blessing of attending. God has been good and we continue to pray that he will work in the lives of all the participants of the Alpha programs here at Good Shepherd.



A Moveable Feast Christmas

Glen Soderholm is a singer/songwriter who directs a ministry that exists to encourage the people of God to participate in vibrant worship. He is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church and has been involved in the church's worship for many years. Glen brings talent and insight to the songs that he writes and sings, several of which we sing at Good Shepherd. It has been said that he "is a sophisticated musician and a gifted communicator who is exceptionally good at his craft." For our December 4TH Kaleidoscope Concert, he will be joined by his capable associate, David White, and several other fine musicians. As we enter the Advent/Christmas season, we look forward to Glen and Friends' helping to prepare our hearts for this special time of the year.

The Week at a Glance

Monday	Prayer & Praise – 7:30 PM
Tuesday	Ladies' Bible Study – 9:30 AM Alpha I / Alpha II – 6:30 PM
Wednesday	Club House – 6:45 PM Jr Highs & Sr Highs – 7:30 PM
Thursday	SATF – 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal – 7:30 PM
Friday	
Saturday	CVC Meeting – 8:30 AM
Sunday	Convergence – 9:00 AM Worship Service – 10:30 AM



Financial update to end of October

General fund offerings July 1 – Oct 31, 09	\$82,089
Budget	\$100,000
Other income (Rentals, Day Camp)	\$79,141
Total Income July 1 – Oct 31, 09	\$161,230
Total expenses July 1 – Oct 31, 09	(\$156,637)
Amount income exceeds expenses at end of October	\$4,593

General fund offerings for November

Our monthly budget requirement for 2009 /2010	\$25,000
Offerings to November 15, 2009	\$13,650

Contact information

Pastoral Team:		Email Announcements	Announcements@GSCC.ca
Sharon Tam	Sharon@GSCC.ca x 25	Private Prayer List	PrivatePrayer@GSCC.ca
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Carol Smith	Carol@GSCC.ca x 32	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
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Public Prayer Requests	Prayer@GSCC.ca	The Marriage Course inquiries	Marriage@GSCC.ca

Pastoral Team: Nigel Chang - 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

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Good Shepherd Community Church

Encountering Christ and Thoughtfully Following Him

Sunday, November 22, 2009

Christ the King Sunday

Welcome & Greeting - Sharon Fiennes-Clinton

Choral Introit: "I Will Exult the Lord" - Lanier

Opening Prayer

Hymn: "Rejoice, the Lord is King" (#228)

Prayer of Confession - Nigel Chang

Confessing Christ the King

Children's Ministry - Carol Smith

Life and Ministry of the Church - Sharon Tam

Scripture: Ecclesiastes 3:1-14 - Peter Oulton

1 Thessalonians 5:23-28 - Melissa Dean

Message:

"Church on Fire: Ring out the Old, Ring in the New"

- Carol Smith

The Presentation of Gifts - Rob Dean

Offertory:

"Hallowed Be Your Name" - Glen Soderholm

Doxology: "Majesty"

The Ministry of Prayer

Songs of Praise

Commissioning and Blessing

* Following communion, a prayer team will be present at the back of the sanctuary for those who wish to receive the ministry of prayer.



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.

Pick up your Advent Letter today!

Please help us save on postage by picking up your Advent Letter (from Sharon Tam, the Outreach Committee and Elders) in the foyer this morning as you leave. Those that are left behind this morning will be mailed out tomorrow. Every envelope you pick up will save us 54¢ and help us be good stewards of God's gifts to us.

ACSA Food Bins

In an effort to partner with Agincourt Community Services Association to alleviate hunger in the community, we are housing an ongoing food donation bin in the foyer. Once full, it will be sent to ACSA and made available for more donations. Items to donate include any non-perishable food item (canned foods, soup, rice, pasta, etc). While shopping at the grocery store, please consider those in the community who use the ASCA food bank.

Interested in Baptism or Membership?

Baptizo – “to dip or to plunge.” Have you ever wanted to plunge deeper in your experience with God? If you are interested in finding out more about baptism and/or membership, one of the pastors would love to talk with you. Please see their contact info on the back page of the bulletin.

Christmas Kaleidoscope – December 4

Glen Soderholm and friends will present *A Moveable Feast Christmas* here at Good Shepherd on Friday December 4TH at 8:00 PM. Plan now to attend and to bring friends and family. If you would like to bring someone but cannot underwrite the cost yourself, please speak to Barb Constable about a “scholarship ticket.” Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door, and \$40 per household.



Upcoming Events

- December 4: **Kaleidoscope: A Moveable Feast with Glen Soderholm** – 8:00 PM
- December 11: **Youth All Nighter**
- December 13: **Grief and Healing Service** – 7:00 PM
- December 24: **Christmas Eve Service** – 7:30 PM



Praise and Prayer – Mondays at 7:30 PM

You are invited to join us Mondays at 7:30 PM for a time of praising God and a time of praying for individual needs and the ministries of this church. All are welcome. No experience necessary; if you are just learning to pray, you are welcome. God is not only pleased by our efforts to communicate with Him, He longs for that connection even more than we know. The Scripture reminds us, ‘Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.’ Jeremiah 33:3.

We Found the Lost

Over time lost items have accumulated in our coatroom. In order to make sure there is enough space for our coats, next week, for the week, these will be put out on tables. Please stop by and check for anything that might be yours. On the last day (Dec. 6) you may take whatever is left before it is given away.

Flowers on the Communion Table

This week the three year old group at Club House is working on the theme, “I can serve in my church.” As their service, they have washed toys in the nursery so they are clean for the ‘little kids’! They have also made the lovely flower arrangement on the Communion table for us to enjoy during our worship time today.

Christmas Donations for the Pregnancy Care Centre

Please help us prepare gifts for women in need at the Pregnancy Care Centre this Christmas. Items such as diapers (size 1), baby wipes, baby clothes, winter items and pampering items (ie soap, lotion) for the mothers can be donated until December 13TH by placing them in the bassinet at the back of the church.

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:** Stan & Shirley Branch and their extended families, as they mourn the recent passing of Stan's brother Jimmy and Shirley's cousin Barbara. Pray that all who have been impacted by these losses would find comfort and strength in the Lord in the midst of this time of sorrow.
- ♦ **TUESDAY:** Rebecca Idestrom, as she travels to New Orleans to present a paper on Exodus 32-34 at the Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting. Pray for safe travel to and from New Orleans, for peace surrounding her presentation, and for a fruitful time of interacting with other biblical scholars over the course of the conference.
- ♦ **WEDNESDAY:** Pregnancy Care Centre fundraiser this Friday. Pray that God would bless them in all their needs during this Christmas season so they would be able to be a bright light and gift to those who they serve.
- ♦ **THURSDAY:** Strategic Alliance Task Force meeting. Pray that all those involved would seek wisdom and guidance in all their discernment of the future of GSCC. Pray that the Lord would be their good Shepherd and lead us to God's best for us.
- ♦ **FRIDAY:** Jessie Geddes, 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.
- ♦ **SATURDAY:** CVC meeting, that it would be a time of seeking God's vision for Good Shepherd, learning about our community and sharing in the blessing of God's spirit of unity.
- ♦ **SUNDAY:** Christ, be with us and guide us in these weeks to what you want to show us this Advent. As we reflect on the anticipation of your coming to your people, help us be aware of the hunger and thirst in our own souls for your light in the darkness.

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



Our Families in Prayer This Week

Lynda & Elizabeth Marshall

John, Lori, Kasi & Jake McAuley

Brian, Cindy, Julie, Trevor & Kevin McConnell