

WELCOME

Let us know you were here - fill out a "welcome" card! We will pray for you and, if you'd like, contact you. Check out the Information Centre in the front foyer to find out more about our church, programs and events.

WHO WE ARE

We are a multi-site congregation of Jesus followers who seek to live out a Kingdom First perspective in our city. Our journey started in 1946 and has continued to be an adventure, seeing God at work in our community. For more about us, visit our website: www.gpchurchofchrist.com

CONTACT US

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MINISTERS:

Everyone!

ELECTED LEADERS:

ELDERS + POINT LEADERS = CHURCH BOARD

ELDERS: Duff Crerar, Trevor Davis, Fred Rowson

DEACONS: Paul Oostra (Point Leader), *Bernie Plett, Brian Scarth, Dale Adams, Neil Goodliffe, Joe Hustler, Ed Nellis, John Vanvolkinburgh, Dale Budding, Darren Driedger*

POINT LEADERS: Benevolence - Shaun Boivin, Children - Mark Scott, Community - Rosina Norris, Evangelism - Brad Wright, Glory Garden - Linda Duplessis, Missions - Karen Oostra, Pineridge - Jeremy Arnold, Stewardship - Abe Neufeld, Worship & Creative Arts - Nathaneal Sterr, Youth & Young Adults - Steve Hofstede

MINISTERIAL STAFF:

Alan Jones - Highland Park Site & Sr. Minister

Scott Pence - Mission Heights Site Minister

Jim Biggs - Creative Arts Director

Ryan Duford - Young Adults & Men's Ministries Director

Jaron Flett - Youth Ministries Director

Mavis Wiebe - Family, Children & Women's Ministries Director

Karen Burns - Glory Garden Director (.75)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

Alison Hofstede - Communications Coordinator (.75)

Gail Biggs - Financial Administrator (.75)

Camille Kindrachuk - Children's Ministry Administrator (.3)

Sheena Jones - Database & Plan To Protect Administrator (.2)

Christina Wood - Janitorial Care (.45)



"Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days."

- Psalm 90:14

The purpose of the Grande Prairie Church of Christ is to praise and worship God and to mature and assist others in maturing toward the image of Christ

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2014

COMMUNITY

Seniors Bible Study Resumes: Oct. 1

Wednesdays from 1:45-2:45 in Room 10 at our Highland Park site, starting Oct. 1st. If you wish to help plan for the fall, come meet on Sep. 24 or Call Betty: 780-532-2168

Pumpkin Festival - A Gratitude Party: Oct. 5

Oct. 5 from 3-5pm @ Roseberry Trails (705055 Rg Rd 62) 12 Pumpkin dishes, 2 km Scripture Trails, Rope swing or log balance over pond, Paddle-Boating, Horse-shoes or Ball games... Here's the thanks we have to give to one another - "I THANK MY GOD IN ALL MY REMEMBERING OF YOU." - Phil.1:3

Please Register Kids...

... for our 2014/15 children's ministry programming! Registration cards are available at the sign in desks. Register before the end of September or you get to buy Mavis & Sheena lunch to hear about the virtues of Plan to Protect, haha. Congrats to J&A Pio and A&K Stewart for winning the on-time registration draws!

Changes in Youth Ministries: Starting Next Week!

Beginning September 18, our youth ministries will be meeting weekly on Thursday nights at the "Cafe Experiment". From 6-7pm will be an unstructured time with coffee and snacks. From 7-8pm youth can choose an activity to participate in, and from 8-9pm a small group.

Biblical Exploration of Sexuality and the Church: Thursdays

Beginning Sep. 18 as one of the 8-9pm options of the "Cafe Experiment" at our Highland Park site. Questions like: "Are there biblically-based restrictions on women's roles in the church?", "What is the biblical teaching on homosexuality", and other complex topics. Alan Jones will lead the conversations and aims for a sensitive approach.

Servants Academy Info Meeting: Sep. 28

Alan is willing to bring back Servant's Academy if there's enough interest! Find out more (what we'll do, what we'll read, etc) on Sunday, Sep. 28 at 4pm at our Highland Park site.

Meet and Greet/Baby shower for Rebecca and Baby Luther

Come for an evening in community as we welcome baby Luther! Gifts are not necessary, feel free to just come by and enjoy some food and company. If you wish to contribute to a group gift, please contact Genelle. Phone 587-297-9054 or email genelle.dingeldein@gmail.com Wednesday, September 24 at 7pm in the fellowship hall at our Highland Park site.

55+ Luncheon: Sep. 18

Thursday, Sept 18, 10:45 am at Westpointe Community Church (11305 - Pinnacle Blvd) Enjoy a delicious meal, hear special music and listen to Duff and Carol Crerar share on "Resilience: A story of making a difference in our communities." For more info: 780-532-7464

FROM THE OFFICE

We Love to Hear From You!

Fill out the "Welcome" card in your bulletin and place in the offering bag as it is passed to ask for prayer, request offering envelopes, give us your current contact information, or just let us know you were here.

Regular Office Hours

Open Monday - Friday from 9am - 4pm. Closed on statutory holidays and from 12pm - 1pm for lunch. Administrative staff are only available during office hours.

Bulletin Announcements

must be submitted to Alison at the admin office by 4:00pm Wednesday. E-mail is preferred: office@gpchurchofchrist.com

Offering Update

Monthly donations needed to meet budget: \$93,011.50
Donations toward budget for AUG: \$67,540.83
Shortage: \$25,470.67

Monthly donations needed to meet budget: \$93,011.50
Donations toward budget for SEP: \$11,272.48

WANT TO HELP?

Give A Meal

If you would love to support individuals and families going through life transitions or tough times with the gift of meals, contact Rebecca at 780.933.2202 or Mavis at 780.538.4211. Also call if you know someone who'd appreciate receiving meals!

Are You A Details Person?

Volunteers are needed to run Media Shout - the program that is used to project lyrics for songs, sermon slides, videos, etc. - on Sunday mornings at both sites. If you are willing to try it out, contact Alison or Jim at the church office. Training is available.

Soul Sisters Fall Studies

Are you interested in hosting or leading a small group or study this fall? If so, please contact Sandy with what you'd like to do and what time you're available: 780-513-6550

Want to Share a Hobby?

We are looking for people to come out on Thursday nights to share an activity they enjoy with others - sports/crafts/art/languages/fitness/games/the possibilities are endless... Contact the office if you are willing to share an hour or two this fall!

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Young Life: Monday Nights

7-9pm hangouts will continue on Monday nights throughout the summer. Club will resume in the fall. For more information, call or text Steve (780-832-6584)

Young Adults: Sunday Nights

7pm on Sunday nights. Got Qs? Join the Telios Project! Call/text Ryan: 780-512-7062

Saturday Supper

Serving the street-involved of our city every Saturday from 4-8pm at our Highland Park site. Contact Jared at 780-228-5734 or saturdaymeal@gmail.com for how you can help.

Friday Morning Prayer

Join ministerial staff on Friday mornings for prayer and communion. 7am in the prayer chapel at our Highland Park site. Usually followed by coffee at the South 40 McDonalds.

Children's Ministries: Sunday Mornings

After joining corporate worship for welcome and singing, children grade 6 and under are invited to attend age-appropriate and fun Bible-based programs. Parents, please sign in your kids prior to the church service to streamline this transition.

The Cafe Experiment Begins: Sep. 18

Beginning on September 18 all ages are invited to join "The Cafe Experiment" on Thursday evenings at our Highland Park site! Three blocks of time allow you to stay for the whole night or come for a specific portion - just show up to be involved wherever you like!
6-7pm Coffee/snacks; 7-8pm Intergenerational activities; 8-9pm Small groups/studies

UPCOMING EVENTS

DTP Youth Conference: Oct. 3-5

Registration for DTP (Disturbing The Peace - the annual youth conference held in GP) is open! It is a completely online process; go to www.disturbingthepeace.ca to register. This year the guest speaker is Jason Ballard from youth Alpha - Its going to be good!

Ladies' Retreat: Sep. 19-21

At Bear Lake Bible camp this year - closer to home so more ladies can attend. Check out the info centre to see our poster! Contact Janet for more: 780.513.2521

Men's Retreat: Nov. 14-16

Our Men's Retreat will be at Camp Nakamun this year. More info coming soon.

WORSHIP

Joining together to encounter God
Psalm 103:1-2

COMMUNITY

Participating together in the life & mission of Jesus
John 20:21

EMBODIMENT

Living Christ-rooted lives of grace, truth, and hope
Colossians 3:16-17

BENEVOLENCE

Caring for those who are marginalized
Luke 4:18-19

EVANGELISM

Inviting others to join us on our journey toward Jesus
Matthew 28:18-20