# WELCOME

Request prayer or offering envelopes, share a celebration story or give us your new address, ask someone to contact you or just let us know you were here - fill out a "welcome" card! 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 fellowship 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 and through our community and city. For more about who we are, visit our website: www.gpchurchofchrist.com

# **CONTACT US**

Admin Office & Mailing address (for both sites): 9602-92 Ave. Grande Prairie, AB T8V 0H4 780-538-4211 office@gpchurchofchrist.com Email our elders for prayer: elders@gpchurchofchrist.com

Stay connected online: Follow us on Twitter, "like" our page or join a group on Facebook, or visit our website and subscribe to "the Chronicle" e-news (monthly email)

## 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 - vacant,
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)





"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

- Matthew 6:19-21

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, MARCH 1, 2015

## 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 or drop it in the box at the back of the auditorium at either site.

#### **Office Hours**

Regularly open Mon - Fri from 9-4 with some exceptions. Closed on statutory holidays and from 12-1 for lunch. Administrative staff are only available during office hours.

## Offering Update

Monthly donations needed to meet budget: \$81,228.59 Donations toward budget for FEB.: \$54,370.75

#### **Bulletin Announcements**

Something to share? Send it to Alison at the admin office by 4:00pm Wednesday. Personal items (babies, anniversaries, etc) are only included as submissions are received. Let us hear your news! E-mail is preferred: office@gpchurchofchrist.com

## **Tax Receipts**

If you did not already pick up your charitable donation receipt from your mail slot last Sunday, watch for it in your mail this coming week! Qs? Contact Gail at the office Mon-Thurs.

## **COMMUNITY LIFE**

#### **Condolences**

Condolences to the Gall family on the passing of Pat's father, and to Dara Enns and Jocelyn Neufeld on the passing of their grandfather. Please keep these folks in your prayers.

## 2016 Trip to Israel & Turkey Info Meeting: March 10

Come out for a meeting about this possibility! Ask questions and make plans. 7pm on March 10 at the Norris' place (705055 RR 62). 780-532-5386

## Worship & Creative Arts Team Meeting: March 10

Musical, visual or technical people, and anyone passionate about praise & worship expressions/environments are invited to the 2nd Tues. of each month worship & creative arts team meeting. Contact Nathanael for more info: 780-512-8607

## **GP Voice for Life Seeking Office Manager/Educator:**

Do you have a passion for life at all stages from conception onward? Enjoy teaching various age groups & have an active personal relationship with God? Then we have a job for you. The Educator is to work in and with the Grande Prairie and area school districts and churches as well as manage a one person office with business and financial duties. Please submit resumes to vfl@telusplanet.net by March 11, 2015

## **Annual Financial Meeting & Pie Social: TONIGHT**

Bring a pie or other treat to share and come hear how our fellowship stewarded funds and ministered to people this past year, and look forward together!

#### **VBS Info Session: March 7**

For personal reasons Mavis has been out of town so our VBS info meeting has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 7 from 10-11am. Hope to see you there!

#### **Missions Fundraiser Lunch: March 15**

Right after the 11am service at our Highland Park site on March 15, the Missions Committee is hosting a lunch in support of Young Life Grande Prairie. Please bring cash donations or make cheques out to "Young Life".

## Raising Children & Teenagers With Hope: March 17

Most parents face a time when they have no idea what to do. There's no way ahead except through darkness. At this FREE seminar Dr. Mark Strom and his wife, Sue, will share the story of journeying with their son. 7pm at Highland Park. Doors at 6

#### From Guilt & Fear to Grace & Freedom: March 15&16

Hear from our guest speaker, Dr. Mark Strom (author of "Lead With Wisdom") on the topic of "moving from guilt and fear to grace and freedom" in a three part series March15&16! Part One at each service, Part Two 7pm Sun, Part Three 7pm Mon.

### Next Board Meeting: March 24

7-9pm at our Highland Park site. Monthly board meetings are open to all who are interested, however only elected board members are able to make motions or vote.

## "The Bible, Female Elders & Us" Conversation: Mar. 29

We are presently discussing whether Scripture allows for women elders or not. We want to base our decision on Scripture not just opinion! Please join us in prayerfully examining the Bible on this topic. Our site ministers and elders would love to meet with you at our Mission Heights site from 3-5pm on Sunday, March 29.

## **Cooks & Baristas Needed for Cafe Experiment**

Each week we need three people to make/provide the following: 1) Main course 2) Dessert 3) Veggies ALSO we still need baristas to make lattes/hot choc! Sandy puts together a volunteer schedule for the kitchen, so if you can take a turn, please call 780-513-6550

## Praise24 Christian Unity Event: March 27-28

Worship together as The Church! 7pm Fri.March 27 - 7pm Sat.March 28 at McLaurin Baptist Church. Not a concert - a family reunion! To volunteer, contact: info@praise24.ca.

## YC 2015 "Unstoppable": May 22-24

All teenagers are invited to this annual event in Edmonton. If you are interested, contact Jaron at the office or by email: jaron@gpchurchofchrist.com

## REGULAR ACTIVITIES

## SUNDAYS

#### **Nursery/Toddler Rooms Available**

Open for childcare before and during each service. Sign in is required.

#### **Children's Ministries: Sunday Mornings**

Age-appropriate programs for kids Gr. 6 and under are available during the service. Please sign in kids prior to the service to streamline this transition.

#### **Young Adults**

7pm on Sunday nights. Call/text Ryan: 780-512-7062 for location or with any questions.

## VARIOUS WEEKDAYS

Men's & Women's Small Groups, Life Groups, Bible Studies, Meetings, etc To find out what's happening where and when contact the office or a group leader.

## MONDAYS

#### Young Life Club - Gr.9+

Meet at the PWA front doors at 7:11pm on Mondays to carpool or get directions to that week's club location. For more info about Young Life, call/text Dylan at 780-402-4166

## WEDNESDAYS

#### **Seniors Bible Study**

1:45-2:45 in Room 10 at our Highland Park site. Contact: Betty, 780-532-2168

#### Heroes Academy

6-8pm at our Highland Park site for kids in K-gr.6. Contact: Jeremy, 780-978-8138

## THURSDAYS

#### **The Cafe Experiment**

Connect and converse over food, lattes, puzzles, art, activities, or in a small group... Contact the church office if you'd like to help in some way (seeking baristas & cooks!).

#### Youth Small Group - Gr. 6+

6:30-8:30pm Combine some hang-out time, snacks, activities with time to learn more about God and talk about life and you've got an idea of our atmosphere!

## FRIDAYS

#### **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.

#### **Kids' Morning Out**

From 9am-Noon at our Highland Park site. Bouncy inflatables, visiting, snacks & lattes.

## SATURDAYS

## **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.

## Men's Drop-In Hockey

9:30pm ice time at the County Sportsplex. Call Cam at: 780-897-3309 with any questions.



