

God, Keep Our Land

Sunday, July 4, 2010

We extend a special welcome to guests who join us today! Pastor Gary Bomhof will bring the message today.

Children **ages 3 to grade 5** will be dismissed for *Sunday school*. There is supervised nursery care for infants to age 3 today. Parents should accompany children who leave the worship service for any reason.

Guests at First Church are cordially invited to a time of fellowship and friendship in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service

We Worship Our Great and Mighty God

*indicates to stand if able

Welcome/Announcements

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Hymn of Praise

"Indescribable"

*A Time of Friendship

VBS Presentation

We Give Thanks for Our Country

*O Canada (Children dismissed)

Service of Reconciliation

Call to Confession

Song – "Closer"

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

We Walk the Talk

PsH – 528 "Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"

Prayer for Guidance

Scripture Reading – 1Timothy 3: 14 – 4: 16

Text: 1Timothy 4: 12

Message – **Heroes Join Forces with God**

*Hymn of Response – "Here I am Lord"

Installation of Office Bearers

Our Prayer – PsH 424 "Spirit of the Living God"

Pastoral/Offertory Prayer

Our Tithes & Offerings

First Church Ministry Budget

CRWRC – World Hunger Relief

*Blessing

*Doxology – PsH 323

"Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go"

Serving Today...

Greeting: Dan Wind

Helping Hands: Harvey Sypkes

FIRST CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

...**Mike & Wilma Sandstra** have been on a journey that started July 8, 1960. You are invited to an Open House in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, July 10 from 2p – 4p, in the Fellowship Hall.

...congratulations to **Cory & Erin Fosty** on the birth of **Georgia Sue** on June 28th.

...pray for a speedy recovery for **Leon Oosterhoff** who had surgery this past week on his broken right ankle.

...thank you to the Pastoral Hospitality Team for the wonderful luncheon served after the memorial service for our dad, Gordon Snell. Your time and hospitality were a wonderful expression of caring.

Stacey Lodewyk and family

...**Val Meinema** is now at home.

...**Albert de Wit** remains in Red Deer Hospital.

...Remember the many people who are unable to worship with us regularly due to illness or age including **Lies Visser, Nell Drost, Mrs. Spyksma, Winnie Tensen, Audrey Vermeer, John Lindhout, Henk Krikke, and Winnie Krikke.**

FIRST CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

YOU ARE INVITED to a time of fellowship in the Fellowship Hall after the morning worship service. Your hosts today: Dick & Judy VandenBrink

VBS "HERO HEADQUARTERS"

Tomorrow is our first day! We trust we are as prepared as we can be for the children God sends our way. Thank you to all our staff and all others who have helped us get to this point!

Please be sure to take a flyer to invite anyone you might know who would benefit from a week at VBS.

Nursery and early morning activity people, please be here by 8:45 so our teachers can be in devotions on time. Teachers, helpers and any other interested staff, please be in the youth room at 9:00 sharp for devotions.

To help make tomorrow's registration go a little smoother, please register your child(ren) in the Fellowship Hall after the service.

Cookie bakers/shoppers, please drop your cookies off in the kitchen any time this week. Your treats will be enjoyed!

Please pray for both the children and the staff as we go through our week. We so appreciate our congregation's support! Thank you all!

2ND ANNUAL FIRST CRC HIKE Don't miss out on one of the most beautiful day hikes in the Rockies – Heart Mountain on August 21st. For more info contact Cory Fosty @ 403.885.2578 or email: cgfosty@telus.net.

SUMMER CAMPS! Sign your kids up for a week of fun in the Soccer or Art Camp! Soccer camp is July 26-30 from 9 am to 3 pm! It is a full week of soccer, learning new skills, building friendships and each camper gets a free T-shirt! Art camp is August 9-13 from 9 am to 11:30 is. During the week kids will get the chance to be creative and make fun projects! Call the church office to register at 403-346-5659 before the camps are full!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! There are many ways to be involved in your church this summer. Are you going to step out and serve your community, your congregation and our Lord? We could use teachers for the Art Camp, people to help in the kitchen, and people to help out with registration. And of course we need people to donate cookies and fruit during the weeks. The weeks are July 26-30 and August 9-13, if you could help out all week or even a few days it would be appreciated. Talk to Jeanette after the service or call the church office at 403-346-5659.

Youth Happenings....

-Youth Band will rehearse this Wednesday, at 7.30p. They are inviting all youth grade 7 and up to come and sing/play with them.

-Youth Ministry Team meets Monday, July 5 at 7.30p.
-SERVE Team please plan to be at Cathy's – 22 Dalton Close, on Friday, July 18th at 6.00p for a BBQ! Please also check your emails for travel info. We leave in 20 days!

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

RED DEER MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION has made a commitment to be in prayer weekly for a Christian organization in the City of Red Deer. In this way we are showing our unity and support for each other. This week our prayer is for Grace & Truth Fellowship.

HAITI POSITION OPENING - CRWRC has a vacancy for a Haiti Project Manager. Priority will be given to qualified applicants who are currently living or have in the past lived in Haiti and who have at least five years of recent project leadership / management, community development or organizational consultation and human resource management experience. For more information, please visit www.crwrc.org or contact Doreen Hoogvliets at dhoogvliets@crwrc.org.

WORLD MISSIONS - VACATION? - While many people enjoy a time of rest and relaxation, a crew of new missionaries are hard at work, preparing for challenging overseas assignments. This week they will undergo intensive orientation. Add a piece of armour to their gear by remembering them in prayer.

NEW - SMALL GROUPS NETWORK - If you lead or participate in a small group, check out the new small group's area of The Network. Read articles, comment on the blog, and compare notes with others across the CRC in an open discussion forum. In addition to small groups, The Network covers dozens of ministry areas. It's all at www.crcna.org/Network.

CAMP REHOBOTH is well underway, and we are in **URGENT** need of volunteers for the following positions:

Adult Week 2 - July 10-16 – 1 nurse, 2 cooks, 18 counsellors

Independent Week – July 17-23 – 10-15 more counsellors

Youth Week – July 24 – 30 – 2-3 more cooks

Please contact Linda Rosendal, Kelvin VanDasselaar at Rehoboth – 780-963-4044 if you would like to serve Rehoboth Camp in any of these positions this summer.

Thank you! linda.rosendal@rehoboth.ab.ca or
kelvin.vandasselaar@rehoboth.ab.ca

***“All Time Dumbest Questions Asked by
Banff Park Tourists”***

On nature...

How do elk know they're supposed to cross at the "Elk Crossing" signs?

At what elevation does an elk become a moose?

Tourist: "How do you pronounce 'Elk'?"

Park staff: "Elk"

Tourist: "Oh"

Are the bears with collars tame?

Where can I find Alpine Flamingos?

Are there birds in Canada?

On geography...

Did I miss the turnoff for Canada? (while standing in the middle of Banff)

Where does Alberta end and Canada begin?

Is this the part of Canada that speaks French, or is that Saskatchewan?

What's the best way to see Canada in a day?

On tourist facilities...

When we enter BC do we have to convert our money to British pounds?

Where can I buy a racoon hat? ALL Canadians own one don't they?

So it's eight kilometres away..is that in miles? We're on the decibel system you know.

Is that 2 kilometres by foot or by car?

Don't you Canadians know anything?

O CANADA

O Canada, our home and native land.
True patriot love in all thy sons command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The true north strong and free.
From far and wide, O Canada,
We stand on guard for thee.

***God keep our land, glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee!***

O Canada, where pines and maples grow.
Great prairies spread, and lordly rivers flow.
How dear to us thy broad domain,
From east to western sea!
Thou land of hope for all who toil,
Thou True North strong and free.

O Canada, beneath thy shining skies,
May stalwart sons and gentle maidens rise.
To keep thee steadfast through the years
From east to western sea!
Our own beloved native land,
Our True North strong and free!

Ruler Supreme! Who hearest humble prayer.
Hold our Dominion in Thy loving care.
Help us to find, O God, in thee,
A lasting rich reward!
As waiting for the better day,
We ever stand on guard!

1906 Robert Stanley Weir
Music: Calixa Lavallee
Public Domain



Birthday Greetings!

July	5	Jobena Westera
	6	Floyd Groeneveld Nina Grabe
	7	Henk Werkema
	8	Sias Grobler John Kooiman
	9	Frank Kooiman Marion TenHove Madison Pavlick Yvonne Prins
	10	Denika Andersen Renate Andersen Stefan Badenhorst Alex Wiersma

Stewardship notes....

Today's Tithes and Offerings:

First Church Ministry Budget
CRWRC – World Hunger Relief

Future Offerings:

July 11 – Building/Maintenance
July 18 – Timmerman's

Our giving June 20/27

Budget	\$9,643.00
Shalom	\$ 703.00
VBS	\$1,155.00

Deer Dollars/Giving Envelopes are available in the church office immediately after the morning service.

This week at First Church...

Mon - Fri	9.30a	VBS
	7.30p	Youth Ministry Team
Wed	7.30p	Youth Band
Fri	5.00p	Van den Berg function – Hall
Sat	2.00p	Sandstra 50 Anniversary - Hall
Sunday	10.00a	Morning Worship

Library Hours: Tuesday: 9.30a – 11.30a
Sunday's – after am worship services

Check the church web site: www.firstcreddeer.org for current information.

Church office hours: Tues – Fri; 9.00a – 3.00p unless posted otherwise.

Serving next week....

Greeter: Pat Brouwer

Helping Hands: Allan Andersen

Coffee: Bill/Marian Scholten

Nursery: