

Come, Let Us Worship

Sunday, August 1, 2010

We extend a special welcome to guests who join us today! We welcome Rev. Karen Norris to our pulpit this morning. Karen is the pastor of Congregational Life and Outreach at West End CRC in Edmonton.

Children **ages 3 to grade 3** will be dismissed for *Summer 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

*Gathering Song

"Come, All You People"

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*We Praise God – PsH 117; 387, vs. 4 (Tune: Ebenezer)

"Hallelujah, Hallelujah"

*A Time of Friendship (children dismissed)

Service of Reconciliation

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Song – "Your Mercy Flows"

Assurance of Pardon

We Walk in Grace

Song – "Flow Like a River"

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading – Acts 1: 1 – 11

Message – **The Promised Coming of the Holy Spirit**

*We Respond with Praise

"There is a Redeemer"

"Holy, Holy, Lord"

Pastoral Prayer

Our Tithes & Offerings

First Church Ministry Budget

Benevolent Fund

*Blessing

*Doxology – PsH 638

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Serving Today...

Greeting: Dan Wind

Helping Hands: Dave Bomhof

FIRST CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

...**Louise Gregersen** will remain in the Red Deer Hospital where she will receive treatment.

...My wife **Laura** had surgery this past Wednesday and is recovering well. We would like to thank you for your support and ask that you would continue to pray for her while recovering. **Art van Zanten**

...Pray for **Anne Pisesky's** 16 year old granddaughter, **Shayna Nent**, who has cancer. She will have chemo/radiation then surgery.

...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: Dale & Michelle de Wit

EZEKIAL IS HIS NAME On August 8 and 15 we hope to study two parts from the prophet's messages. Please read and study Ezekiel 1: 1-3 and 25-29. Read and re-read the whole chapter and use, if possible, a Bible commentary or a study Bible. Read also 1 Timothy 6: 11-16. The Lord blesses us when we love his Word.

SOCCER CAMP A HUGE *thank-you* to everyone who came to Soccer Camp this past week, we couldn't have done it without you! We had 28 kids here this past week learning about God's love through soccer. It was a great week, with great sunshine minus the millions of mosquitoes that were out on the field!

Thanks to Connie Sypkes, Helena van der Linde, Corry Badger, Cathy Nicolay and Jennifer Van Loo for helping out with registration in the morning.

Thank you to our awesome snack ladies who were there all week preparing and delivering snacks out to the field - Connie Sypkes and Helena van der Linde.

Thank you to the congregation for your support, prayers, cookies and fruit!

Last but not least, in the "line of champions" let's "warm it up" for all the assistant coaches who were there all day in the heat, braved the mosquitoes, led kids through World Cup, small groups, and took millions of trips to fill up the water cooler - you guys are "LIKE A BOSS!" With their real names and camp names: Justin Wagenaar (Charizard), Steven Sykes (Zapdos), Trent Nicolay (Bunny), Madeline Klootwyk (Gatorade), Kyle Klootwyk (Towers), Brett Aasmen (Squirtle), Armand Harmse (South Africa), Bryce Kander (Fluffy), and Jonathan Pellerin-Leclerc (G. I. Joe). You guys were great, and the kids had an awesome time with you. Soccer camp was a great week; and even though we are all little sore we are all sad to see the week over!

WEBSITE The First Church website is a good place to visit for info on future services, TODAY devotional, weekly bulletins; you can even listen to Pastor Gary! Now the library has a page where you get news of recent additions. Take a look at: www.firstcreddeer.org

BULLETIN BOARD New events are posted weekly. Check out the Hank Bassen Memorial and Gideon's Golf tournaments, the Perspectives Training course, and ladies retreat, "Throw Your Net Back in the Water".

PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE TODAY at the kiosk in the west hallway: *Witteveen News*, *Credo Magazine*, *Shepherd's Guide*, *Russian Realm*.

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 Kentwood Alliance Church.

WITH PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD the Rimbey Christian Reformed Church will be celebrating 25 years as a congregation. A banquet will be held on September 11 at 6.30p. A Celebration Service will be held on Sept 12 at the Rimbey Community Centre at 10.00a. Tickets for the banquet can be purchased through Rose Grutterink @ 403.843.6075.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO LEAD A SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP?

Find out how a Worldwide Christian Schools HANDS (Help Another Nation Develop Schools) trip can have a long term impact on the lives of disadvantaged children. On Saturday, September 11, 2010, WWCS will host a workshop at King's University College in Edmonton to train those who are interested in leading a group of people from their church or community in the next 2 years. For more information and to reserve your spot please contact HANDS Coordinator Tim Bootsma at 866-360-4274 or tbootsma@wwcs.org or Mark Wolthuis at 780-886-8412 or mwolthuis@wwcs.org. Space is limited, so please RSVP by August 15, 2010.

SOKRAT AND LENA, a church planter couple in Macedonia, offers adult literacy classes to the Roma women in the community they are ministering in. Most of these women are either illiterate, or their reading level is too low to read a Bible. Through literacy classes, Sokrat and Lena nourish these women with the gospel message and improve their ability to function in society, a double blessing. Please pray for their ministry! www.bibleleague.ca

Today's Laugh

“Two Plus Two”

A mathematician, a statistician and an accountant apply for the same job. The interviewer calls in the mathematician and asks “What is two plus two equal?”

The mathematician replies “Four.”

The interviewer ask “Four, exactly?”

The mathematician looks at the interviewer incredulously and says “Yes, four, exactly.”

Then the interviewer calls in the statistician and asks the same question “What do two plus two equal?”

The statistician says “On average, four – give or take ten percent, but on average, four.”

Then the interviewer calls in the accountant and poses the same question “What does two plus two equal?”

The accountant gets up, locks the door, closes the shade, sits down next to the interviewer and says, “What do you want it to equal?”

Birthday Greetings!

August	1	Johanna Lindhout John Tytsma Jaron Wagenaar Rolf Westera
	2	Joanne Teuling
	3	Maureen Wielinga
	4	Dillon Sietzema
	6	Albert de Wit Roland Goulet Gerda Goulet John Westera
	7	Erin Fosty

Stewardship notes....

Today's Tithes and Offerings:

First Church Ministry Budget
Benevolent Fund

Future Offerings:

Aug 8 – Institute for Christian Studies
Aug 15 – Denomination Ministry Shares

Our giving – July 18/25

Budget	\$14,678.00
Loaves & Fishes	\$ 770.00
Timmerman	\$ 685.00

Tithes & Offerings Year to date:

Budget	\$251,585.00
2 nd offering	\$122,841.00
Bldg/Mtg	\$ 31,521.00

2009/2010 Budget \$460,000.00

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

This week at First Church...

Wed	9.00a	Adult Day Program
Sunday	10.00a	Morning Worship

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

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

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

Serving next week....

Greeter: Martha Jonker

Helping Hands: George Groeneveld

Coffee: Rob/Hetty-Ann Stryker

Nursery:

