

Come, Let Us Worship

Sunday, September 5, 2010

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

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

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*We Praise God with Song

"These are the Days of Elijah"

"Blessed Be the Name"

*A Time of Friendship (children dismissed)

Service of Reconciliation

Call to Confession

Song – "Once Again"

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

God's Direction for Our Lives

Song – PsH 490 "Blessed Assurance: Jesus is Mine"

Prayer for Guidance

Scripture Reading – Psalm 127; John 5: 16-19

Message – **Unless the Lord Builds**

*We Respond to the Word – PsH 607 (Tune: 175)

"Father, Help Your People"

Pastoral Prayer

Our Tithes & Offerings

First Church Ministry Budget

CRWRC – Witteveen

Blessing

*Doxology – PsH 433

"Earth and All Stars"

Serving Today...

Greeting: Tini Wind

Helping Hands: Floyd Groeneveld

Elder: Tony Lindhout

FIRST CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

...continue to pray for **Louise Gregersen** whose condition continues to weaken.

...**Ted Harkema** spent a few days in the hospital where fluid around his lungs was drained; he is feeling much better and has returned home.

...**Hermina De Gruyter** remains in Red Deer hospital but her condition has improved greatly.

...**John Lindhout** has returned home having had his pneumonia cleared up.

...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, Dorothy Braaksma, 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. This morning your hosts are: Pat & Gina Millis

COMMUNION Next Sunday we hope to celebrate the sacrament of communion. May we use this coming week to reflect on our sinfulness and God's forgiveness through His Son, Jesus Christ.

WINE & ROSES CLUB this Wednesday, September 8 at 10.00am. We will meet for refreshments, socializing, and encouragement. We will view the 67 minute video of Don VanPolen's "Footprints of the Reformation" with some time afterwards for questions and/or discussion. Any and all seniors (yes, others too!) are invited to share the moments with us!

CHANCEL CHOIR begins a new season this Thursday at 7.30p. All current singers get your voices ready! If you would like to be a part of this ministry, you are welcome to come and join us. For more information see Dale Dickau.

SAVE THE DATE! Ministry Kick-Off is Sunday, September 26th! Mark the date on your calendars for a great, amazing event. Watch the bulletin for more information!

DRAMA TEAM: ACTS OF LIGHT will be starting up again on Wednesday, September 29 at 6:45pm at the church! All youth grades 7 and up (that means adults too!) are invited to come and join us! We would love to have new members. Don't think it's only acting...we need writers, lighting and sound techs, stage hands, costume creators, prop personnel, etc. If you are interested in any way...please come!

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELP is needed! The Sunday School classes are in need of teachers and helpers! If you are interested in helping with this amazing ministry please contact Lena Drok. Helpers can be anyone grade 6 and up!

TEEN CHALLENGE is a program that helps people get out of an addictive life-style by pointing very clearly to Jesus Christ. They will be making a presentation in our church at 6.00p on Sunday, September 26. Please keep that date free and be prepared to hear some powerful testimonies.

NURSERY If anyone new would like to volunteer in our nursery Sunday mornings, starting this fall, please call Barb @ 403.309.7205 or Michelle @ 403.358.6057.

BULLETIN BOARD New events are posted weekly.

NEW PUBLICATION AVAILABLE at the kiosk in the west hallway – *Christian Reformed World Missions Advocate*

Youth & Young Adults...

-My Devotion books for Fall/Winter are now in the east foyer and at the library.

-Young Adults Study Group If you have graduated high school and are interested in joining a bible study group, please contact Cathy Tilstra. A young adult's small group will be meeting on Sunday, October 3rd at 7pm at my house. If you have questions, please email Cathy at cathyvanessen@shaw.ca or contact me at the church!

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 Memorial Presbyterian Church.

CACHS ALUMNI VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT The tournament will be held Dec 17/18. If you know of any past alumni not living in the area that would be interested, please let them know of the date so plans can be made now. If you have any questions call Mel @ 403.782.1855 or Colleen @ 403.885.4388.

WOODY NOOK CRC Is celebrating 75 years of thanksgiving to God for His abundant goodness. A banquet and program is planned for Friday, November 12, at 6 pm at the Lacombe Memorial Center. A Historic Tour is being planned for Saturday afternoon November 13. A service of praise and thanksgiving will be on Sunday 10 am at Woody Nook. Banquet tickets are \$20. Contact: Betty Weenink 403-782-7140 or Jack Siebenga 403-885-4380.

COMING SOON! Prepare to be enthusiastically motivated for outreach in God's world! Come to the Go Conference in Edmonton October 2, 2010. Info on the bulletin board.

WORLD MISSIONS – School Bells - With pencils sharpened and in hand, students and teachers overseas have begun another school year. Like teachers in Christian school classrooms here, CRWM missionary teachers have a unique opportunity to present the Gospel in their classrooms. As you pray for education programs here, pray for missionary teachers working around the world.

SHALOM'S FRIENDRAISER will take place Saturday, September 25 at CrossRoads Church. More information is posted on the bulletin board.

FOR THE EIGHTH YEAR IN A ROW, North Korea is number one on the World Watch List 2010 (opendoorsusa.org) as the country where every Christian activity is considered traitorous by Kim Jong Il's government regime. Possessing a Bible can mean indefinite imprisonment. Worshiping God instead of Kim Jong Il can bring about imprisonment for entire families, up to three generations. But despite the fact that Christians continue to be arrested, tortured and subjected to grossly inhumane treatment, Christianity is growing! Praise God for those who passionately and resolutely proclaim the name of Jesus. November is Persecution Awareness Month; please uphold North Korea in your prayers. www.bibleleague.ca

CANADA TO MATCH PAKISTAN DONATIONS - The Canadian government has announced that it will match (1:1) all private donations to registered Canadian charities, such as CRWRC, in support of relief efforts in Pakistan. The matching funds will be administered by CIDA. CRWRC will not directly receive the matching funds, but will be eligible to apply for them. Donations must be made between August 2 and September 12 and marked "Pakistan Flooding 2010". Individuals are encouraged to make a donation by calling 1-800-730-3490, giving online at www.crwrc.org/pakistan, or sending a cheque to CRWRC, 3475 Mainway, PO Box 5070 STN LCD 1, Burlington, ON, L7R 3Y8. For more information, visit www.crwrc.org/pakistan.

STUDENTS AT U OF A The CRC Campus Ministry at the U of A can provide support for you in your life and studies. The Campus Ministry provides opportunities for reflection, fellowship, and reaching out to others. Come and meet other students at the kick off BBQ – Tuesday, Sept 14 at 6.00p at the Martin Luther House (10941-88 Ave). For more info contact Rick VanManen at 780.492.5327 or rpvanmanen@ualberta.ca or check out the new website – www.seekingwisdom.ca.

SHALOM COUNSELLING CENTRE is currently accepting applications for the part time position of caretaker. This position will be available in September. Please forward your resume to laurie@shalomcounselling.com with a cover letter stating why you would like to be a part of the Shalom staff.

DAY OF ENCOURAGEMENT sponsored by NADC will take place November 6th at King's University College. Everyone is welcome to participate in this day of training, fellowship and encouragement in ministry.

Registration forms and brochures will be available soon.

Today's Laugh

"Full Pockets"

A small boy stunned his parents when he began to empty his pockets of nickels, dimes, and quarters.

Finally his mother said, "Where did you get all that money?"

"At Sunday School," the boy replied nonchalantly. "They have bowls of it."



Illustration by Swiss storyteller and artist Annie Vallotton

Birthday Greetings!

Sept	5	Cody Patton
	6	Jeanette Nicolay Victoria Stryker
	9	Elyse Dubois
	10	Gian Urbani
	11	Jory Lodewyk Andre van den Berg

This week at First Church...

Tues	7.30p	Deacon's
Wed	8.00a	Red Deer Ministerial
	9.00a	Adult Day Program
	10.00a	Wine & Roses
	7.30p	Education Team
	7.30p	Administration Team
Thurs	7.30p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Fri	9.00a	RDSO Auditions
Sunday	10.00a	Morning Worship - Communion

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.

Stewardship notes....

Today's Tithes and Offerings:

First Church Ministry Budget
CRWRC – Witteveen

Future Offerings:

Sept 12 - Red Deer Hospice
Sept 19 – Noah's Ark Playschool

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

Serving next week...

Greeter: Gerry Loonstra
Helping Hands: Alfred Prins
Coffee: Garth/Sharon Stange
Nursery: