

**Ladies!** This Wednesday morning, September 25, all ladies are welcome to meet at Mission Heights for fellowship, prayer and discussion of this year's program. Doors will open at 9 am; program will begin at 9:30 and end at 11:00am. Childcare will be available. If you are able, please bring a snack to share!



Then, on Thursday, September 26 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm, the same program will happen in Highland Park's Room 10. Snacks are welcome. No childcare will be available.

## Pumpkin Festival



October 6  
from 3-5pm

At Roseberry Trails  
705055 RR62

See insert for more information

## Fight Sexual Exploitation - Join the FUN RUN!



This multi-church event raises funds and awareness to fight sexual exploitation around the world and right here in Grande Prairie! All proceeds will be shared 50-50 between the SA Foundation and the Grande Prairie Aurora Home. **Pledge Packets are available at Church of Christ info centres as well as any participating church.** The info you need to collect and handle funds is included in the packets. Contact Colleen for more info: 780-933-8901

**Fun Run** Saturday, **October 5<sup>th</sup>**  
9:00-10:30am in Muskoseepi Park

## Contact Us

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## Serving at the Grande Prairie Church of Christ

**Ministers:**  
Everyone

### Full Time Ministerial Staff:

Sr. Minister & Highland Park Site: Alan Jones  
Mission Heights Site: Scott Pence  
Creative Arts: Jim Biggs  
Young Adults & Men's Ministries: Ryan Duford  
Youth Ministries: Jaron Flett  
Family, Children & Women's Ministries: Mavis Wiebe

### Part Time Ministerial Staff:

Glory Garden: Karen Burns (.75 position)

### Administrative Staff:

Communications: Alison Hofstede (.75 position)  
Finances: Gail Biggs (.75 position)  
Children's Ministry Administrator: Robyn Flett (.3 position)  
Database & Plan To Protect: Sheena Jones (.2 position)

### Part Time Janitorial Staff:

Christina Wood  
Karly George

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



Worship



Community



Embodiment



Benevolence



Evangelism



"YOU ARE... ROYAL PRIESTS..."

*You were chosen* TO TELL  
ABOUT THE WONDERFUL ACTS OF GOD,  
WHO CALLED YOU OUT OF DARKNESS  
INTO HIS WONDERFUL LIGHT."

- 1 PETER 2:9 (NCV)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2013

## Want More Information?

For information about our church, upcoming events, bulletins, becoming a member and more, check out the Information Centre in the front foyer at both sites or our website: [www.gpchurchofchrist.com](http://www.gpchurchofchrist.com)

## Office Hours

Regularly open from 9:00am - 4:00pm Monday - Friday, Closed for lunch from 12:00pm-1:00pm and on statutory holidays. **Administrative staff are only available during office hours.** Staff meetings are held on Tuesday mornings but messages for staff members can be left at the front desk.



## Attention All Bakers!

The Missions committee needs YOU! The Fun Run, on Oct.5th, needs MUFFINS for its runners! All proceeds of this run go to support two very important missions---Servants Anonymous and GP Aurora House. So even if you can't take part in the run itself, you can contribute by energizing those who will be taking part. Drop off all muffins in the church freezer prior to Oct.4th. Muffin batches should be clearly marked "Fun Run". See Malorie Petersen or Karen Oostra for details.

## Heroes Academy Begins Next Week

All students in grades one through six are invited to participate in this mid-week program we are launching as an extention of our Pineridge Adventure Camp ministry. The adventure contines... September 25 from 6-8pm at Highland Park. Contact Mavis or Jeremy with questions.

## Offering Envelopes

Requests for envelopes can be made via the welcome cards (place in the offering bag or welcome card box at the back table). Your envelopes will be placed in your mail slot. Mail slots are located by the front door at Mission Heights and by the main entrance to the auditorium at Highland Park.

## Do You Have or Work With Young Children?

Join us for the video series “Making Sense of Preschoolers” by Gordon Neufeld. Hosted by Rebecca & Andrew Neufeld at their home in Sexsmith. They will be meeting every other week for the duration of the series (approx. 10 weeks). Excellent information for anyone who has or works with children! Call Rebecca for more details: 780.933.2202 or 780.568.2099

### Monthly Offering Budget

Monthly donations needed to meet budget: \$88,991.13  
Donations toward budget for SEPTEMBER: \$68,513.10

## Make a Difference in Grande Prairie

Glory Garden out-of-school care is a ministry of our church, offering an affordable program that meets Alberta licensing guidelines and shares the love of God with children and their families. The Glory Garden Advisory Committee meets six times per year to oversee the program and provide support for the Program Director. This group of caring individuals is **looking for two or three additional members to serve on the Committee.** Please prayerfully consider your involvement in this valuable outreach to the community and if you would like to become involved, contact any one of the following: Karen Burns, Dan Rawlyk or Linda Duplessis, Doug Norton or Janice Fast. **You are welcome to attend our meeting on Monday, September 30, to find out more.**

Can't make a board commitment but still want to help? **We need two more people to provide snacks for the children.** Please contact Karen Burns for details. Your help is much appreciated!

## A Motion by the Elders

Because we are currently down to four elders (due to an oversight regarding Barry’s term length and Greg stepping down for personal reasons), the elders are submitting this motion to the board: **“We, the elders, recommend that Barry Norris and Duff Crerar be elected to serve as elders for the ten month period of September 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014.”** This is according to Section 11 of our church bylaws, which allow the board to fill vacant positions that are normally congregationally-elected until the next annual general meeting.

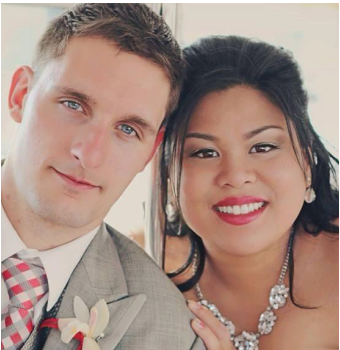
## Bulletin Announcements

Announcements for Sunday’s bulletin must be submitted to Alison at the main office **by 4:00pm Wednesday. E-mail is preferred.**

Remember announcements should run for at least two weeks prior to an event to reach as many people as possible. Personal items (eg: Baby / Anniversary / Funeral / Needs) are only included as submissions are received at the main office.

## Craig’s Internship

We would like to introduce Craig and Rachel Dilts. Craig is an Alberta Bible College student who will be serving an eight-month internship with us to complete his Bachelor’s degree from the college. Craig and Rachel are originally from Ontario and were married this past May. Craig began his internship at our Mission Heights site earlier this month. We welcome the Dilts to Grande Prairie and to our church community!



## Young Adults (18-25ish)

**Topical Study - Tonight from 7-9pm**  
at 10950 O’Brien Lake Crescent. Call Ryan with any Qs: 780-512-7062

## Planning an Event?

In the main office Alison has a master calendar to record all church events, classes and building use. To prevent conflicts and confusion, please contact her if you are hoping to use one of the church buildings, or are planning something that people from church will be invited to.

## Plan to Protect Training

Please check your mail slots to find out your Plan to Protect status. Along with this information you will find attachments to help you complete this process expediently. Plan to Protect training meetings are scheduled for **Thursday, October 3 and Monday, October 7.** Both meetings will happen from 7:00 – 9:00 pm and will be hosted in Highland Park’s Impact Studios.

## Seniors Bible Study Resumes

All seniors (55+) are invited to a Bible study group led by our senior minister every Thursday afternoon from 1:45-2:45pm, excluding the third Thursday of the month when the group attends the 55+ Luncheon at Westpointe Community Church (11305 Pinnacle Blvd.). This group studies one book at a time and prays for each other. Feel free to contact Betty with any questions: 780-532-2168

## Youth Ministries

**ignite** **IGNITE Fuel Night** - Friday, September 27 from 7:00-9:00pm at Highland Park. All teens are welcome!

**GIRLS GROUP** - Sunday, **September 29** at Robyn’s (9502-125Ave) at 7pm  
Call Robyn at 587-298-2793 for directions.



**CAMPAIGNERS** - Meeting to talk about life, the Bible, God, and how we can serve our friends. We also eat food and pray for each other. Contact Jaron, Steve or Alison for more info.

**WEM TRIP** - Sign up for the annual Young Life over-nighter and trip to West Edmonton Mall - September 27-28. Forms available at the info centres.

**CLUB** - Monday nights starting on September 30. Meet at PWA front doors at 7:00pm each week (excluding holidays) for location info & carpooling. Call/text Steve or Alison Hofstede for more info on anything Young Life.