

Fight Sexual Exploitation - Join the FUN RUN!

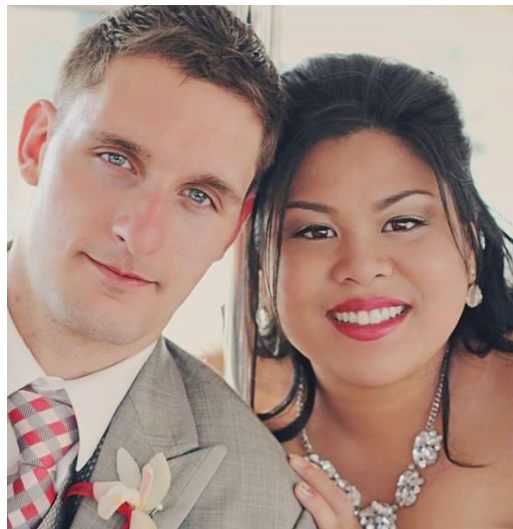


This multi-church event raises funds and awareness to fight sexual exploitation around the world and right here in Grande Prairie! All proceeds will be shared 50-50 between the SA Foundation and the Grande Prairie Aurora Home. **Pledge Packets are available at Church of Christ info centres as well as any participating church.** The info you need to collect and handle funds is included in the packets. All collected funds must be sealed in the pledge packet and brought to registration at 9:00am on Saturday, October 5. See the posters or contact Colleen for more info: 780-933-8901

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

Craig's Internship Begins

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 will begin his internship at our Mission Heights site this week. We welcome the Dilts to Grande Prairie and to our church community!



Ladies! Soul Sisters' small groups are starting up soon. Bulletin inserts in September will advertise available studies, times and locations. If you would like to be a leader or a host, please contact Andrea via email by Tuesday, September 10: andreabiette@yahoo.ca.



Our annual large group kick off gathering will happen on Sep. 25. Watch for the advertised times and location next week.

Contact Us

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Glory Garden: Karen Burns (.75 position)

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Worship



Community



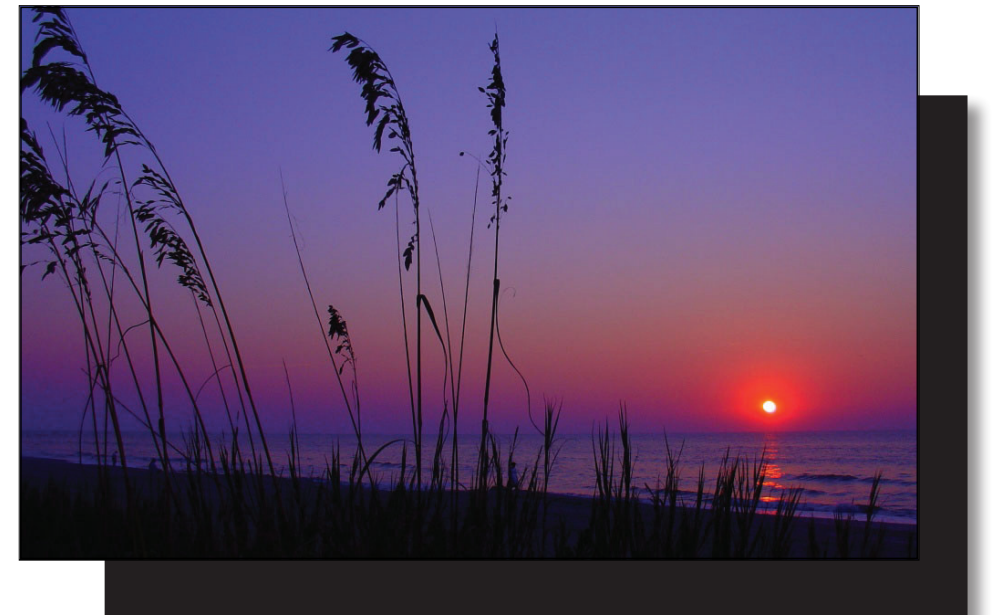
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Benevolence



Evangelism



"WE ALSO PRAY THAT YOU WILL BE STRENGTHENED WITH ALL HIS GLORIOUS POWER SO YOU WILL HAVE ALL THE ENDURANCE AND PATIENCE YOU NEED.

May you be filled with joy,
ALWAYS THANKING THE FATHER."

- COLOSSIANS 1:11-12A

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2013

Main Office Regular 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.



Highland Park Service Times

Regular service times of 9am & 11am with programs for children will resume at Highland Park TODAY and will continue until June (Fathers Day weekend).

Information Centre & Website

For information about our church, upcoming events, becoming a member and more, check out the Information Centre in the front foyer at both our Highland Park and Mission Heights sites.

Don't forget you can also find more information, digital copies of the latests bulletins, sermons, classes and Chronicle articles on our website: www.gpchurchofchrist.com

Offering Envelopes & Mail Slots

Requests for envelopes and/or donation numbers can be made by checking off "offering envelopes" on a welcome card and placing it in the offering or welcome card box at the back table. Your requested offering 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.

Bulletin Announcements

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

Please remember to check for potential conflicts before booking an event, and that announcements should run for at least two weeks prior to an event to reach as many people as possible. Personal announcements (eg: Baby / Birthday / Anniversary / Funeral) are only included as submissions are received, so remember to conatct the main office with your news.

Monthly Offering Budget

Monthly donations needed to meet budget: \$88,991.13
Donations toward budget for SEPTEMBER: \$7,068.32

Camp Strat Plan - Sep. 14

From 9:30 – 2:30 pm at Pineridge Adventure Camp. Seeking input from Camp Veterans & Persons with Deep Thoughts about plans for the future of our camp ministry! Lunch and snacks provided. RSVP to info@pineridgeadventurecamp.com



Glory Garden Seeking Help

Want to make a difference in the lives of Grande Prairie children and their families? Become involved in Glory Garden!

Glory Garden is an out-of-school care program that is a ministry of our church, offering an affordable child-centred program that meets Alberta licensing guidelines and shares the love of God with children and their families. The Glory Garden Advisory Committee, under the umbrella of the Grande Prairie Church of Christ Ministry Lead Team, meets six times per year to oversee the program and provide support for the Program Director, Karen Burns. The Committee is a group of caring individuals who want to see quality care for children and positive opportunities for families. **We are looking for two or three additional members to serve on the Committee.** If you would like to become involved, please contact any one of the following:

Karen Burns, Dan Rawlyk or Linda Duplessis - Mission Heights
Doug Norton or Janice Fast - Highland Park

Please prayerfully consider your involvement in this valuable outreach to the community. **You are welcome to attend our next meeting on Monday, September 30, to find out more.**

Can't make a board commitment but you want to help anyway? **Glory Garden needs 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.

Young Adults (18-25ish) Study Night

"What is God Like?" - Tonight from 7-9pm
at 10950 O'Brien Lake Crescent. Call Ryan with any Qs: 780-512-7062

Youth Ministries



ANNUAL IGNITE KICKOFF - Friday, September 13 at Pineridge from 7:00-10:00pm. You don't wanna miss this!

YOUTH & COMMUNITY HIKE - Save the Date: Saturday, September 21. Location and details TBA.

GIRLS GROUP - Sunday, September 22 at Robyn's (9502-125Ave) at 7pm
Call Robyn at 780-2988-2793 for directions.



CAMPAIGNERS - Talking about life, discussing the Bible and praying for others... Join us in the youth room at Highland Park from 6-7pm on Fridays. Beginning Friday, September 13. After Campaginners, we will head out to Pineridge for the Ignite Kick-Off.

WEM TRIP - The annual Young Life over-nighter and trip to West Edmonton Mall is coming SOON: September 27-28. Watch for more info to sign up!

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.

TODAY...

Please register your child, if you have not done so. Information to care for your child needs to be confirmed yearly. Your family name will be added to sign in sheets as registrations are completed. THANK YOU for taking care of this matter.

Children's Ministries **Programs begin!** The kids and leaders will have time to get to know one another and be introduced to their programs for the year. Watch for more information to be posted on the website soon!

We are almost there! 80 out of approximately 90 needed Children's Ministry leaders have confirmed their intent to express their love, faith and worship with the kids of our community. 8 out of 10 of these roles need to be filled at Highland Park. Thank you so much for your incredibly generous and prompt responses to ministry opportunities. Please take time to offer a prayer of thanks for the gifts God has given.

Coming Up: To give Children's Ministry leaders and caregivers (and anyone interested) an overview of processes and program for this upcoming year, two meeting dates have been set. **Mission Heights will meet Thursday, September 12 and Highland Park will meet Monday, September 16.** Both meetings will be at their site and both will last from 7:30 – 8:30 pm.

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. Please check your mail slots on September 22 to see what needs to be completed for your file this year. Thank you!