

WELCOME

Request prayer or offering envelopes, share a celebration story or give us your new address, ask someone to contact you or just let us know you were here - fill out a "welcome" card! Check out the Information Centre in the front foyer to find out more about our church, programs and events.

WHO WE ARE

We are a multi-site fellowship of Jesus followers who seek to live out a kingdom first perspective in our city. Our journey started in 1946 and has continued to be an adventure, seeing God at work in and through our community and city. For more about who we are, visit our website: www.gpchurchofchrist.com

CONTACT US

Admin Office & Mailing address (for both sites):
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Email our elders for prayer: elders@gpchurchofchrist.com

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Subscribe to our RSS monthly email newsletter at www.gpchurchofchrist.com

MINISTERS:

Everyone!

ELECTED NON-STAFF LEADERS:

ELDERS + POINT LEADERS = CHURCH BOARD

ELDERS: Duff Crerar, Trevor Davis, Frank Fehr, Barry Norris

DEACONS: Paul Oostra (Point Leader), *Bernie Plett, Brian Scarth, Dale Adams, Neil Goodliffe, Joe Hustler, Ed Nellis, John Vanvolkinburgh, Dale Budding, Darren Driedger*

POINT LEADERS: Benevolence - Shaun Boivin, Children - Mark Scott, Community - Rosina Norris, Glory Garden - Linda Duplessis, Missions - Kelly Peter, Pineridge - Dave Bertrand, Stewardship - Duncan McNabb, Worship & Creative Arts - Nathaneal Sterr, Youth & Young Adults - Naomi Scott

MINISTERIAL STAFF:

Alan Jones - Highland Park Site & Sr. Minister
Scott Pence - Mission Heights Site Minister
Cam Neufeld - Creative Arts Director
Ryan Duford - Young Adults & Men's Ministries Director
Jaron Flett - Youth Ministries Director
Malorie Petersen - Family & Children's Ministries Director (.5)
Karen Burns - Glory Garden Director (.75)

PART-TIME ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

Alison Hofstede - Communications Coordinator
Wendy Small - Financial Administrator
Kaitlyn Wilkinson - Children's Ministry Administrator
Sheena Jones - Database & Plan To Protect Administrator
Christina Wood - Janitorial Care



"Shout to the Lord, all the earth; break out in praise and sing for joy! Sing your praise to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and melodious song, with trumpets and the sound of the ram's horn. Make a joyful symphony before the Lord, the King!"

- Psalm 98:4-6

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

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2015

FROM THE OFFICE

We Love to Hear From You!

Fill out the "Welcome" card in your bulletin and place in the offering bag as it is passed or drop it in the box at the back of the auditorium at either site.

Office Hours

Regularly open Mon - Fri from 9-4 with some exceptions. Closed on statutory holidays and from 12-1 for lunch. Alison is only available during office hours.

Offering Update

Monthly donations needed to meet budget: \$81,228.59
 Total giving toward general fund for November: \$80,459.67
 Donations toward budget as of Dec.6: \$20,269.37

Bulletin Announcements

Something to share? Send it to Alison at the admin office by 4:00pm Wednesday. Personal items (babies, anniversaries, etc) are only included as submissions are received. Let us hear your news! **E-mail is preferred: office@gpchurchofchrist.com**

Holiday Office Hours

Please note that the church office will be closed on Christmas Eve and for the week between Christmas and New Years. If there's an emergency, please email office@gpchurchofchrist.com at any time and we will do our best to respond.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Sort Donated Clothing for Charity Dinner: Dec 15 & 17

If you can drop by the Highland Park site to help Sandy sort donated clothing items for our Chirty Diner guests, please drop in between 10am-3pm at 9602-92 Ave Dec. 15 & Dec. 17. Contact Sandy with any questions: 780-380-0494

Condolences

Our thoughts and prayers are with Al Boyd and his family following the loss of his mother, Barb, this past week.

Worship Through Visual Art

Volunteers are needed to run Media Shout - the program that is used to project lyrics for songs, sermon slides, videos, etc. - on Sunday mornings at both sites. If you are willing to try it out, contact Cam or Alison at the church office. Training is available.

Learn About Steph's Missionary Work: TODAY

Pop by the fellowship hall at our Highland Park site today to hear from our dear Steph Lazerte about her work with Wycliffe Bible Translators & how you can support!

Youth Sunday & the "Joy" Sunday of Advent: TODAY

Our Director of Youth Ministries, Jaron Flett, will be speaking on "Joy" at all three services today - the Third Sunday of Advent 2015. A number of our youth will be involved in the services today, too - be sure to say an encouraging word to build up our body.

PLEASE NOTE: No 9am Service on Dec. 27 & Jan 3

Please note that our Highland Park site (9602-92 Ave) will be gathering once, at 11am, on Dec. 27 & Jan 3. The 9am service resume Jan.10th. Spread the word!

Christmas Eve Service at Both Sites: Dec. 24 at 7pm

Both our Highland Park site and our Mission Heights site will hold family-friendly candle light Christmas Eve services with carol-singing at 7pm on December 24th.

Wednesday Afternoon Seniors Study Update

We have wrapped up for the Christmas season and we will resume in the New Year. **Please note that this winter we will NOT be meeting for a study if the temperature is -20*C or colder.** Contact Betty with any questions: 780-532-2168

Socks, Mitts & Toques Drive!

Donate warm items like mitts, toques, scarves, etc. that we can give as gifts to our Charity Dinner guests on Dec.18! Look for the big, decorated boxes in the front foyer at our Highland Park site (9602-92 Ave).

Extend God's Love at the Charity Dinner: Dec 18

Our Brother Gord has been raising support for this outreach event but still needs folks from our church to embody the love & grace of God to low-income and homeless guests! To volunteer, call Delrae 780.538.3388 or Deena 780.933.7197 during day-time/Business hours. **Also consider coming on the 18th to PRAY with/for our guests.**

Multi-Site: One Church Meeting in Multiple Locations

As a single church we share staff, eldership, board, budget, mission & vision while worshipping in different places and times around the city. Build relationships with your extended church family by participating in Festivals, Friends & Family Night, camps, small groups, ministry teams or age-specific events!

Sundays	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays	Saturdays	
Worship Services at both sites • Highland Park (9602-92 Ave) 9am & 11am • Mission Heights 10am (8321 MH Dr.) Children's Ministries Age-appropriate programming during the service for K-Grade 6. Sign-in and sign-out is required. Nursery/Toddler Rooms Available for childcare during each service. Sign in is required. Young Adults: 7pm on Sunday nights. Call/text Ryan: 780.512.7062	Young Life Club: Gr.9-12 Meet at the Mus-kosepi Park Pavilion at 7:11pm. Pick-up time is 8:45pm unless otherwise specified. For more info, call/text Dylan at 780.402.4166	Board meeting 7pm 4th Tues/mo 2nd Tue/mo Worship & Creative Arts ministry team meeting 7pm	Got an announcement for the bulletin? The deadline for bulletin inclusion is Wednesday at 4pm	Seniors Bible Study 1:45-2:45pm in Room 10 at our Highland Park site. Bible study led by Alan Jones. Please contact Betty for more information: 780-532-2168. Friends & Family Night 6-8:30pm at our Highland Park site. Supper, visiting, small groups. Heroes Academy 6:00-8:00pm at our Highland Park site. An extension of our Pioneeridge Camp ministry.	Thursday Morning Prayer 7am in the prayer chapel at our Highland Park site. Thursday Night Prayer Meeting 7-9pm in the Prayer Chapel at our Highland Park site. Come pray or be prayed for. Youth Group: Gr.7+ 7-9pm at our Mission Heights site unless otherwise specified. Contact Jaron with Qs: jaron@gpchurchofchrist.com	Friday Morning Prayer has concluded - we are now meeting on THURSDAYS. Chronicle Submissions deadline 1st Fri/mo (The Chronicle is our church newsletter! Contact the main office for more info) Chronicle RSS feed emailed on the 15th/mo. Sign up for the newsletter: gpchurchofchrist.com (enter email address in bottom right corner)	Saturday Supper Serving the street-involved from 4-8pm. Qs? Contact Jared at 780.228.5734. Deacon's Work Bee 2nd Sat/mo 8:30am start. Contact Paul at 780.876.1997 for info.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

All regular activities will resume in January!
 Please note that not all building use is listed here - ALL building use is to be coordinated through the front office. Contact Alison at 780-538-4211 or office@gpchurchofchrist.com

WORSHIP

Joining together to encounter God
 Psalm 103:1-2

COMMUNITY

Participating together in the life & mission of Jesus
 John 20:21

EMBODIMENT

Living Christ-rooted lives of grace, truth, and hope
 Colossians 3:16-17

BENEVOLENCE

Caring for those who are marginalized
 Luke 4:18-19

EVANGELISM

Inviting others to join us on our journey toward Jesus
 Matthew 28:18-20