

# WELCOME

We love to hear from you and to pray for you!  
Fill out a "Welcome" card and place in the offering bag as it is passed or drop it in the box at the back of the auditorium.

# WHO WE ARE

We are a multi-site fellowship of Jesus followers who seek to live out a kingdom-first perspective in our city.  
For more, visit our website: [gpchurchofchrist.com](http://gpchurchofchrist.com)

# CONTACT US

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## MINISTERS:

Everyone!

## ELECTED NON-STAFF LEADERS:

*ELDERS + POINT LEADERS = CHURCH BOARD*

**ELDERS:** Duff Crerar, Trevor Davis, Frank Fehr,  
Barry Norris, John Murray, Joanne Stewart

**DEACONS:** Paul Oostra (Point Leader), *Bernie Plett, Brian Scarth, Neil Goodliffe, Joe Hustler, Darren Driedger, Ryan Power-Fardy, Arron Johnson, Rob Flett, Chris Daigle, Dan Freibell, Steve Hofstede, Adam Petersen*

**POINT LEADERS:** Benevolence - Shaun Boivin, Children - Mark Scott, Community - Rosina Norris, Glory Garden - Linda Duplessis, Missions - Mark Larson, Pineridge - vacant, 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  
Mark Wolfe - Youth Ministries Director  
Malorie Petersen - Family & Children's Ministries Director (.5 position)  
Karen Burns - Glory Garden Director (.75 position)

## 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 & Kitchen Care



"For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." - Romans 12:4-5

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, AUGUST 14, 2016

## DATES TO NOTE

- **TODAY** **Steph's Commissioning:** Our official sending-off of Steph into her work with Wycliffe. At our Highland Park site during the service.
- **Aug.29** **PACE Open House:** an Alberta Bible College opportunity at the church. Find out more about this opportunity 7-9pm at our Highland Park site.
- **Sep.11** **Kick-Off Sunday:** Regular service times and children's programs during the service resume. NOTE Highland Park goes back to 9am & 11am services.
- **Sep.12** **Grasping God's Word:** an Alberta Bible College PACE course.
- **Sep.16-18** **Multi-Church Ladies Retreat** at Camp Sagatawa, Moberly Lake, BC.
- **Sep.27** Supper & meeting for church board: 7pm at our HP site.
- **Oct.31** **Life & Teachings of Jesus:** an Alberta Bible College PACE course.

## CAN YOU HELP?

### Serve in Children's Ministries

Volunteers are needed! Contact Kayte or Malorie if you are willing to lead, help, or be a floater for Sunday morning kid's programming. malorie@gpchurchofchrist.com

### Single Mom Seeking Regular Sitter

Sitter needed for end of August. Would have to pick up child from Avondale school. Please contact Kristen at 780-380-6199 for more information.

### Seeking Photos for Church Use

We like to use local photos and art on our prayer cards, bulletins and website. If you are willing to share some of your pictures or art with our church family and friends, please e-mail them to Alison at alison@gpchurchofchrist.com or bring the works to the church office to be scanned. Thanks so much!

### Prepare to Welcome our Refugee Family

We want to provide a warm and supportive welcome and home to our Refugee family and need to build a team or a group of smaller teams to help welcome, settle and support. If you'd like to volunteer, or know more, please contact Duff Crerar, our elder heading the coordination of our Refugee Efforts: 780-296-6034

## COMMUNITY LIFE

### Interested in a Ball Hockey Night?

Please contact Ryan at 780-512-7062 if you'd like to be part of a weekly ball hockey night, either to help plan/host or as a player! Currently hoping to meet weekly at our Highland Park site on Tuesdays from 8-10pm, starting on Tuesday, Sep. 6.

### Evening Prayer: Thursdays

Duff is beginning a new prayer and worship time on Thursday nights, based on the ancient faith traditions around Evening Prayer. We will meet in the chapel at our Highland Park site at 7pm on Thursdays beginning Aug.4. Please come for an hour of devotion.

### 2016 Ladies' Retreat: Sep.16-18

This year we are having our ladies retreat September 16-18 at the beautiful Camp Sagitawa located on Moberly Lake BC. For more information you can text/call Amber at (780) 512-9234 or email her at pharside@telus.net. Please see bulletin insert or brochure or online event for more details.

### 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, e-mail Cam at cam@gpchurchofchrist.com Training is available.

### Summer Chronicle Coming Soon!

The digital Chronicle is e-mailed on the 15th of every month - subscribe by going to our website and entering your e-mail address in the bottom right. Quarterly, a print edition of the Chronicle is released. If you can share photos, comments, interviews, articles or poems from our camps, festivals or other summer activities, please contact Alison at the main office or e-mail: alison@gpchurchofchrist.com

### Apartment For Rent

Diane & Ed's 2 bedroom apartment is available for rent. \$1000 includes laundry, water gas (but renter pays power). Contact Ed or Diane at 780-864-4185 or 587-343-0780 to express interest. Thanks.

### Big Thank You From Steph

My project with Wycliffe has been receiving a lot of anonymous donations from people in this church. I so wish I could thank all of you personally, but I don't have access to your names. I would love to know who you are! It is such a fantastic blessing! I believe God is using this money to show me that he is the provider of everything I need and more - he is large and in charge! Through your generosity I feel so supported and brave. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! ~ *Steph* stephanie.l@wycliffe.ca

### Youth & Parents of Youth Potluck & Planning: Aug.21

Bring something to share for lunch and come to our Highland Park site fellowship hall right after church (roughly 11:45am) on Aug. 21st to chat with Mark about youth plans for the fall! Qs? E-mail mark@gpchurchofchrist.com

### Highland Park Summer Service Time: Jun.19 - Sep.11

Please note that our Highland Park site (9602-92 Ave) gathers once, at 10am for the summer months. **Regular 9am and 11am services resume Sept. 11.** For the summer activity packs are available for kids to enjoy during the service!

### We Are A Multi-Site Church

As a multi-site church, we function as a single church with a shared staff team, eldership, board, budget, mission & vision while meeting at different times & locations. Whole church events like festivals, camps, retreats, congregational meetings & combined services are great opportunities for networking or building relationship with people who attend different services!

### Need House-Sitters this Fall?

A reliable young couple will be available to house-sit anytime after September 1st. Please call Gail Warkentin for more information: 780-512-5966.

## FROM THE OFFICE

### Give With Your Debit Card or by P.A.D.

Donations on Sunday mornings or during the week can be made using your debit card at our main office! You can also sign up for regular giving via pre-authorized debit - **pick up a form at the info centre in the front foyer.**

### Offering Update

Monthly donations needed to meet budget: \$66,179.17

Last week's giving toward budget: \$11,902.05

August giving toward budget as of last week: \$11,902.05

### 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**

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