



**Grosvenor Park United Church  
An Affirming Ministry**

*Growing in Christian faith,  
Promoting justice,  
Reaching out to all...*

**July 25, 2010  
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

Hearing headsets (tuned to FM 100.3) are available at the back of the sanctuary, together with large print bulletins and hymn books and pew cushions for your comfort.

**Scent Policy:** While we strive to keep the whole building scent-free for the comfort of everyone, we have reserved the balcony for those who absolutely cannot tolerate scents.

**GATHERING WITH THE GOD OF CREATION**

**Time for Singing:**

**Opening song:** *(please stand)*  
(to the tune of VU #207)

**How great the mystery of faith,  
how deep the purposes of God,  
in birth and ageing, life and death,  
unveiled, yet never understood!**

**Attracted by life's deepest claim  
we wait, assembled in this place,  
with needs and hopes we cannot name,  
a thirst for healing, truth and grace.**

**Welcome:**

**Call to Worship:**

**MV #56 – “Come, O Come” (Myanmar)**

**Come, O come, let us praise**

**Parent God,**

**O, praise the love of God, the great I Am,**

**Praise the love of God, the great I Am.**

Lajahle  
Kritaw Hp'ya  
Kritaw Hp'ya  
i Jezudaw kochimoan zohley,  
Jezudaw kochimoan zohley

Come, O come,  
Let us praise  
Spirit God,  
the fellowship of Holy Spirit God,  
fellowship of Holy Spirit God.

Opening Prayer:  
Even as the water falls on dry tea leaves  
and brings out their flavour,  
so may the Spirit fall on us and renew us  
so that we may bring refreshment and joy to others.

Quiet Moment with Meditative Music

Song: VU #602 – “*Blest Be the Tie that Binds*”

Invitation to Confession:  
When painful mem'ries haunt each day  
and dreams disturb the night,  
**when life is washed with shades of grey  
and phantoms fill our sight,**  
Christ stay beside us and embrace  
the child who dwells within;  
**come, Healer, touch our lives with grace;  
restore our lives again**

When dreams at last bring peace and rest,  
and fear has lost control,  
**when, tried by struggle, we are blessed  
with rightful mind and soul,**  
stay close beside us as before,  
to guide us all our days.  
**Christ, take the lives that you restore  
and fit them for your praise.**

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## SHARING THE WORD

Story: *The Strong Man Who Cried* (a story by Marc Gellman)

A New Creed (*with actions*)

Scriptures: Reader: Eleanor Selin

Hosea 1:2-10

Sermon: Gomer's Faithfulness

Song: MV #1 – “*Let Us Build a House*”

## GIVING THANKS IN THE SPIRIT

Affirming Minute:

Offertory:

Offertory Hymn: MV #191 “*What Can I Do?*”  
What can I do? What can I bring?  
What can I say? What can I sing?  
I'll sing with joy! I'll say a prayer!  
I'll bring my love! I'll do my share!

Dedication of Offering:

Prayers of the People:

Prayer of Jesus:

The Life and Work of the Congregation:

Closing Song: MV #135 – “*Called by Earth and Sky*”

Commissioning and Blessing:

God has given us a dream:  
a tree whose leaves are for the healing of nations.  
And into our hands God places the seed  
to give birth to such a tree.  
Go forth with that dream inside you.  
Go forth with hope burning bright.

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Go to be planters of seeds,  
nurturers of hopeful things.  
And may God bless you with the vision  
of that hope come to fruition before your eyes.

**Sung blessing:**

**MV #210** – “*Jesus, Loving Lord*” (India)

**Yeshu supriya,  
Yeshu ashraye,  
Yeshu priya taraka,  
sahaya homala.**

**Jesus, loving Lord;  
Jesus, strength and stay,  
in your mercy bless us all  
and keep us night and day.**

**Postlude:**

**Welcome!**  
**Visitors, please sign our Guest Book,  
or if you are a newcomer to our congregation,  
please fill in a yellow sheet.**  
**We'd be pleased if you would join us for  
coffee or juice and conversation  
in Schnell Hall downstairs  
after the worship service.**

**Helping with the service today are:**

Greeter: Lynda McLean-Woodward

Ushers: TBA

Lift Operator: Grant Stone

Sound System Operator: Lorne Deighton

Offering Counters: Judith and Gordon Thomas

Coffee Service: Congregational Life & Outreach Committee

<b>IN THE LIVES OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE...</b>
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(If you know of something special happening in the life of a young person, please let Janet or Rev. David know so it can be included—"young people" refers to those from age 1 day to 30 years.) (4)
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**NOTES OF INTEREST FROM GROSVENOR PARK**

**SUMMER CHILDCARE NEEDED DURING WORSHIP**

In order to support families attending worship during the summer, childcare is needed for all ages. While some Sundays will be covered by our Nursery staff, others are in need of a volunteer. If you would like to help with this informal, non-instructional ministry, please sign up for a Sunday. The sign-up sheet is in the front entryway. In the meantime, be sure to acquire a Vulnerable Persons Police check. See Janet for the appropriate letter to submit.

**YOUTH FACILITATORS REQUIRED FOR 2010-2011**

**Grosvenor Park United Church** requires two facilitators for youth ministry for 2010-2011. One position will facilitate the involvement in the congregation of senior high and university students as well as young adults. The second position, meeting mainly Sunday mornings, includes working with the older children in Grace Land. Remuneration for each position is \$15.00/hour for 5 hours/week, from September 2010 to May 2011. Interested persons are invited to apply for both positions. Application deadline: when the positions are filled. Complete ads for these positions are available from Grosvenor Park United Church's office: gpuc@sasktel.net

**FANS!!!**

Does anyone have extra large fans they could donate to the church for Sundays when it is very warm?

**USHERS, GREETERS REQUIRED**

Can you help? Please sign up for greeting and ushering. The sign-up sheet is at the front entrance. Thank you!

**NEWS FROM THE OFFICE REGARDING...**

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS...**

Unless there is an afternoon or evening rental Janet will be locking the church doors when she leaves at 12:00. If you need to get into the church outside office hours let Janet know. **Janet is in the office Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 9:00 – 12:00.**

**MISSION TRIP TO KOREA**

Rev. David is hoping to lead a group of older youth and young adults on a mission trip to South Korea in the first week of July 2011. The trip will involve six months of preparation and fund raising in Canada. In Korea the group will make presentations to churches and visit temples and important political and historical sites. A minimum of five participants will be necessary. If you, or someone you know may be interested, please discuss the possibility and speak with Rev. David.

### **CAMP CHRISTOPHER WOMEN'S CAMP**

September 10, 11 and 12. Come celebrate the *CUP OF OUR LIFE*. Guest speakers include Rev. Dr. Sandy Scott, Rev. HyeRan Kim-Cragg and Sunday morning worship and communion will be led by Rev. Bev Shapansky. Registration fee: \$40.00. Registration deadline: August 28. Registration forms are on the bulletin board.

### **THESE DAYS DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR LIVING BY FAITH**

The July/August/September issue is available for sale. They are on the shelf in the narthex. Please put \$2.50 in the can provided.

### **CAMP CHRISTOPHER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Health Officers, Cook's Helpers, Maintenance and Craft Volunteers are needed. If you would like to have an awesome week helping to build Christian community, please consider becoming a volunteer. For more information, please contact Jen Bell at: [info@campchristopher.ca](mailto:info@campchristopher.ca) If you're a young person who wishes to attend camp the registration forms are on the bulletin board or get one from their website at [campchristopher.ca](http://campchristopher.ca)

### **UPCOMING EVENTS AND NOTES OF INTEREST FROM AROUND THE CITY**

#### **NEST SECRET GARDEN TOUR**

Sunday, August 8 from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. This self-guided tour features eight lovely gardens in the city. Tour passports are \$10.00 and available from Blossoms, Nosegay Flowershop and Nest members. All proceeds from the Secret Garden Tour will go to Nest, a group that helps settle refugee families in the city. For more information contact Noreen at 477-2663.

#### **L'ARCHE SASKATOON**

L'Arche Saskatoon, an ecumenical faith-based community, is seeking responsible, caring individuals to support people with intellectual disabilities in our L'Arche home. Full-time live-in and part-time live-out employment opportunities are available. Contact Wyndham Thiessen, Executive Director, at 262-7243 or [wthiessen@larchesaskatoon.org](mailto:wthiessen@larchesaskatoon.org).

#### **HOME INSTEAD SENIOR CARE**

is looking for wonderful CAREGivers to serve our seniors. We are currently recruiting reliable compassionate individuals who enjoying caring for seniors. We provide a thorough training and support these individuals to improve the quality of life of seniors in our community. Call our job information line at 931-1089 or apply online: [heartofacaregiver.com](http://heartofacaregiver.com)

### **RECENTLY PLACED ON THE BULLETIN BOARDS**

- ◆ **SK Conference of the United Church of Canada E-Notes**, Vol. 171, July 14, 2010 ~~ if you need any of the attachments let Janet know...
- ◆ **SK Conference of the United Church of Canada E-Notes**, Vol. 170, July 8, 2010. Item 1. **Kawacatoose First Nation Hit By Tornado** – requests for the disaster relief fund.
- ◆ E-mail from **General Council Office**; Subject: **United Church Says Census is Critical to its Mission**
- ◆ E-mail from **Kathryn Hofley (Financial Development Officer)** Subject: **The Giving Pledge**. The e-mail provides a link to an interview Charlie Rose did with Bill and Melinda Gates and Warren Buffet about new projects. Kathryn feels it is well worth watching. Go to [www.givingpledge.org](http://www.givingpledge.org) to see it.
- ◆ **Observer** – July/August issue ~~ copies in the magazine rack in the Narthex are for congregants to borrow ~~
- ◆ **Shelley Thiessen and her son, Ronnie**, are once again planning to attend the **Affirm United Conference** this summer in Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia. Their fundraising efforts include recycling your pop cans, etc., doing odd jobs for you and of course they will accept donations. For more information see the poster, or call Shelley at 343-7096.
- ◆ **Age Alive Photo Competition ~~ Celebrating Older Adults ~~** Photo Submission Deadline: August 31. See the poster for complete details.
- ◆ **Saskatoon Council on Aging Inc. ~~ Council's New Programs ~~**
- ◆ Open Auditions for **SASKATOON CHAMBER SINGERS** are being held August 23 – 28. See the poster for more information or go to: <http://www.saskatoonchambersingers.ca/auditions2010>.

### **STEWARDSHIP SECOND**

How do you know when you have enough?  
Maybe you have enough already.

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Minister: Reverend David Kim-Cragg

Director of Music: Ken Neitz ~~Choir Director: Cindy Sjoberg

Youth Group Leader – vacant

Sunday School Co-ordinator: Diane Phillips

**Summer Office Hours:**

Janet Moser – Secretary ~~ Wednesday – Friday ~~ 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.