

# ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

## LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCH

August 29, 2010

### Calendar

#### Sunday, August 29

Office closed -- summer hours

- 8:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Women's Group  
10:30 a.m. Church Service  
~ Jim Thompson preaching  
11:30 a.m. Fellowship time  
- juice in Greeting Area

#### Monday, August 30

- 8:30 - 4:30 Boys & Girls Club day camp  
10:30 a.m. Jubilee House  
7:30 p.m. N.A. Support Group  
8:00 p.m. House Band

#### Tuesday, August 31

- 8:30 - 4:30 Boys & Girls Club day camp  
9:00 a.m. Tai Chi  
9:30 a.m. Mothercare  
10 - 11 am Social Services

#### Wednesday, September 1

- 8:30 - 4:30 Boys & Girls Club day camp  
9:30 a.m. Pastoral Care Committee  
11:45 a.m. MS Adaptive Tai Chi

#### Wed. Sept. 1 (cont'd)

- 7:30 p.m. Wisdom Circle  
~ Drumming Circle

#### Thursday, September 2

- 8:30 - 4:30 Boys & Girls Club day camp  
10 - 11 am Social Services  
7:30 p.m. N.A. Support Group

#### Friday, September 3

- Office closed  
8:30 - 4:30 Boys & Girls Club day camp  
9:30 a.m. Mothercare  
9:30 a.m. Good Samaritan Group  
1:00 p.m. Women's Circle  
5:15 p.m. Resonating with the Flow  
of the Spirit

#### Sunday, September 5

- Office closed -- summer hours  
10:30 a.m. Church Service  
11:30 a.m. Fellowship time  
- juice in Greeting Area

#### **OTHER GROUPS WE PARTNER WITH BY PROVIDING**

**SPACE:** Wednesday: Suzuki Baby Group; All week: YMCA Day Campers.

**WELCOME CENTRE** ~ In the Narthex/Lobby! Pick up a yellow duo tang full of information about St. Paul's.

**CHECK OUT** the papers hanging on the hook on the pew -- you'll find information on how to get hearing assistive devices for the service, how to let yourself be known to us if you are new, how to let us know if you have any pastoral care concerns ... and much more!

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS** ~ until **September 7, 2009**. The office reception hours will continue to be 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and the office will be closed Fridays and Sundays. This allows the staff the opportunity to rejuvenate in the summer and come back raring to go in the Fall with some extra jobs done, plus extra hours accumulated to tide us over in the busy Fall. ~ *Christa Cameron on behalf of M & P Committee and the Board.*

**VACATIONS** ~ Karen is on holiday August 1 to September 7; Christa is on holiday August 9 to September 7.

**MAILBOXES** ~ The mailboxes in the office area have been rearranged to accommodate the changes of the new Board and Committees. Yours may be in a different place than it was last year and new members to committees will now have a mailbox. It would be appreciated if you could please check your mail during the summer months.

**KIDS' CHURCH** ~ begins again on Sunday, September 12 with a welcome-back party! Don't bother with breakfast that morning because we'll feed you. As always, wear comfortable shoes & clothes.

**NURSERY** ~ We now have a paid care-provider for the Nursery on Sunday mornings starting September 12. Sandra Marleau will be there every week to care for our youngest ones, ages 0 - 2 years.

**3:30 LIVE!** ~ St. Paul's multi-faith, coffee house style worship, will be meeting *only* on the 3rd Sunday in September, the 19<sup>th</sup>, in the Banquet Hall at 3:30 p.m. Their regular schedule of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays resumes in October.

**TREETOP TREKKING DAY** ~ Saturday, September 25, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Horseshoe Valley Resort. Anyone in Grade 7 and up is welcome to come, including adults. Cost is \$37 per person and registration deadline is Monday, September 20. If interested, please contact Monica at 326-7351, ext. 107 or at [monica@bellnet.ca](mailto:monica@bellnet.ca)

**CONFIRMATION** ~ There will be an information session about the Confirmation Retreats, on Tuesday, September 21 in the evening, at the Presbytery offices in the Guthrie United Church building. Please telephone Jody Maltby, Presbytery staff, at 1-800-446-4729 ext. 233 for more information.

**ANNUAL SPARROW LAKE CAMP WEEKEND** ~ Friday September 24 to Sunday 26 we have reserved Sparrow Lake Camp for a weekend away for our St Paul's family. A team has discussed food and activities and how we can divide up the tasks. Registration and sign up inserts will be available in September. The plan is to arrive at the camp on Friday evening after dinner, spend Saturday in the leisurely pace of a camp with a couple of organized activities for those who want to join in, a campfire and then worship on Sunday morning followed by a BBQ lunch. Sharing one of the large cabins might add to your fun so connect up with others to make plans.

**ST. PAUL'S CHOIRS** share the joy of singing in harmony at our Sunday morning services from September to June. Choir rehearsals will be starting following the Labour Day weekend. New members are warmly welcomed. For more information about the Chancel Choir, Youth Choir, Carol Choir or Cherub Choir, contact Blair Bailey by phone at 326-7351, ext. 108, or speak to the friendly people in the Church office.

**THE FALL PROGRAMME & GUIDE BOOK** ~ will be published on October 3. If you are interested in, or thinking of, running a Small Group or a Programme group, please contact the office by September 15 to have your information included. Email works best at [programstpauls@bellnet.ca](mailto:programstpauls@bellnet.ca).

**SPIRE** ~ The next issue of the Spire will be distributed on Sunday, October 24 (Jazz Sunday). If you have any articles, notices or pictures that you would like to submit, please do so by September 29 to the Church office. You can also email them to [programstpauls@bellnet.ca](mailto:programstpauls@bellnet.ca).

**SAVING PARADISE: HOW THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH TRADED LOVE OF THIS WORLD FOR CRUCIFIXION AND EMPIRE** by Rita Nakashima Brock and Rebecca Ann Parker, provided the themes for our July services. A few people have already expressed interest in gathering in the fall for an in-depth study of the book. If you would be interested in being part of such a group please let Karen or the office know. The time being considered is the first and third Sundays of each month at 8:45 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

**THE EMERGING CHURCH: A MODEL FOR CHANGE AND A MAP FOR RENEWAL** by United Church minister Bruce Sanguin is a book that Karen would like to explore with a group. If anyone is interested in being part of the discussion please let Karen or the church office know.

**UNITED CHURCH LAUNCHES EMERGENCY APPEAL FOR PAKISTAN** ~ The United Church has sent initial emergency funds of \$140,000 through emergency relief funds and Canadian Foodgrains Bank to communities in need in Pakistan. Individuals are invited to contribute to the United Church's Pakistan appeal directly to The United Church national office at 3250 Bloor St. W., Suite 300, Toronto, M8X 2Y4, or online at [www.united-church.ca/pakistan](http://www.united-church.ca/pakistan).

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY** ~ will be having a "Women's Build" on Victoria Street in September. Monica would love to get a crew together to participate. If interested, please speak to Monica or call her at 326-7351, ext. 107.

**AS WE PRAY** ❖ We lift up prayers of thanksgiving for the life and witness of Elva Francis, who died on August 18 and keep in our prayers her family and friends. ❖ We lift up prayers of thanksgiving for the life of Edna Thompson, who died on August 21; for the life of David O'Neill who died on August 19; and for the life of Fred Billark, who died on August 16, and keep in our prayers their families and friends. ❖ We keep in our prayers by sending light and love to Vreni Cameron (Christa Cameron's Mom), Tom Levine, Jean Johnston, Trudy Schuette, Margarete Emminghaus, Maureen Simpson, Harvie Johnson, Mary Rose, Theda Coleman, Walter Franklin-Hearn, Mark Dahmer (Jack Dahmer's son), Sarah King (Shirley & Harvie Johnson's niece), Sharon Cunningham and Margrit Beesley (daughter-in-law and sister-in-law, respectively, of Mary Cunningham), Scott Lepard, Letty Eastcott, and others connected to our St. Paul's family who are in hospital, recovering at home, in treatment, or preparing for surgery, as well as their families. *Anyone named in our prayer list (or a close relative of theirs) has agreed that they be included. The ministry of prayer is a powerful one. May God's blessings be with us as we continue sharing this ministry. Please let the church office know if you or a loved one is in the hospital as we are not able to check the whole hospital list but want to be of support. The portion of the list we can check is the United Church section – but you will need to make sure that you tell the registration person to put you on that list every time you go or your name will not show up.* ☹