

Third Avenews June 22, 2008

from the Pews . . . and beyond



The Mission of Third Avenue United Church
is to reach out with love and provide a welcoming place,
especially for downtown people.



We welcome everyone to worship this morning. If you are a guest or a newcomer, please sign one of our guest books at either of the back entrances. If you would like information on any of the church activities, please fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate, or call the church office at 652-6812.

We invite you to visit our web site at

www.thirdavenueunitedchurch.org

And please, join us for refreshments and fellowship downstairs following the service.

Church Duty

Roster

Today: Ian Holmes is responsible for opening and closing the church.

June 29: John Parry will be responsible.



Hosting Coffee After Church:

Today: Last names beginning with S - Z.

Next Week: names beginning with A - F.

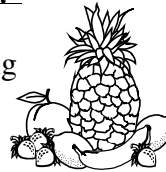
Come early to set up if you are able (by 10:00 a.m.), or help serve coffee and clean up, or bring baking or goodies for snacks.

*Don't worry! Someone will be here if you have questions and instructions will be posted in the kitchen.



This Week at Third Avenue

Today: Lunch following church service: there will be a free will offering for VBS/computer fund.



Tues: 10:30 Staff meeting

7:30 pm Meeting of the Property & Finance Committee

Wed: **Rescheduled!** The next meeting of the Unified Board has been set for July 9th.

Sat: 8:30 am Women's breakfast at Alberto's

Advance Notices

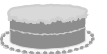
Next Sun: First Joint Service with Knox Community.

A "BIG" welcome to them.

There will be a lunch to follow: roast beef, potatoe salad, cole slaw, dessert.

Free will offering for Oliver Lodge expansion.

Celebration of June birthdays!



For Third Ave. Folks only: you may wish to bring fruit to share, if not wanting to "eat cake".

July 14-18: Vacation Bible School. Register now. Cost is \$5.00.

Thank You

❖ A Big THANK YOU to Debbie Beye for her tremendous work with Church School. Also to all the teachers who are so important.

❖ Jim and Edna Start thank the members of Third Avenue for their prayers, cards, e-mails and phone calls during Jim's recent surgery. The support was overwhelming and much appreciated. — Jim & Edna

Pastoral Care

Please, help us to help you, by informing the office if you know of someone who is ill or in need of a visit.

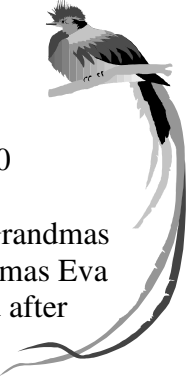
Stewardship Second

When stewards venture out in faith, God provides what is needed.

Rainforest Adventure

Vacation Bible
School
July 14-18
9:00 – 12:00
\$5.00

We need 2 loving Grandmas because our Grandmas Eva and Audrey retired after faithful service.



Watch for further information, but in the meantime, start saving stuff we might need.

- green tarps
- stuffed rainforest creatures
- Hawaiian leis



Church School Project



The children have been learning about Paul and his 7-mile walk to Damascus. In keeping with this theme, the children have decided to collect 7 miles of pennies! They're off to a great start and encourage everyone to bring in their pennies and support this worthwhile project. All monies will be dedicated to the General Fund of the Church.

Prayer Chain:

There are 22 members on our Prayer chain. If you are in need of prayer or would like to assist with pastoral care, please contact Rosanna Parry at 229-8289.

"Where love is, God is also."
- Leo Tolstoy



Hey Kids!

It's not too late to register for camp. Camperships are available through the church office.



Space is limited! Bring a friend and try out the newest camp: "Campers-in-Training" – sleepover camp for kindergarten to grade 2!

FRIENDS AND GUESTS!

If you're not wearing a name tag, please take one from the basket at the back, and fill in your name. Then, before you go home, put it back in the basket for next week.



Food for the Hungry

The Food Bank really needs our help! Please bring your donations of canned and dry good to assist in this worthy cause, and place them in the box in the Narthex.

In The Spirit Of Giving...

As many of us look forward to the summer

months at the lake, visiting long distance family and friends, or simply relaxing in the back yard, let us count our blessings and prayerfully consider the needs of the church. Our mission and purpose stay the same whether we are here or not. The daily expenses continue and salaries still need to be paid.

If you wish to leave post dated cheques for the time you are away, please call the office to make those arrangements, or leave them in the collection plate on Sunday.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.



Bulletin Board

(The Wider Community)

- ❖ June 24: Oliver Lodge announces their "special Annual Meeting". 6:00 pm is time for fellowship, 6:30 pm is supper. RSVP by calling 382-4111 ext. 22 by June 13. See bulletin board.
- ❖ Prairie Habitat (PHG) is looking for volunteers to help with a variety of gardening activities from now until the end of August. See poster.
- ❖ Meewasin Valley United is looking for a part-time Choir Director for September to May.

Scripture

Readers: please sign up on the bulletin board next to the kitchen.

For your information: outside Donna's office you will find a binder outlining the Sexual Abuse Policy of the United Church of Canada.

News Flash!!

The Rev. Alan and Claire Minarcik wish to announce the upcoming marriage of their son John, to Brandie Wiatt. This celebration will be held on July 12, 2008 at Rock Chapel United Church, near Hamilton, Ontario.

Humour

- ❖ A journey of a thousand miles began with a cash advance.
- ❖ Stupidity is not a handicap. Park elsewhere.
- ❖ Ham and eggs...a day's work for a chicken, a lifetime commitment for a pig.
- ❖ The original point and click interface was a Smith & Wesson.

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