

# Third Avenews May 11, 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](http://www.thirdavenueunitedchurch.org)

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

## Church Duty Roster

Today: Barry Duncan is responsible for opening and closing the church.

May 18: Jim Start will be responsible.



Today: **Full Rehearsal** following coffee time down stairs.

Mon: 6:00 Ladies Salad Fiesta

Tues: 7:00 pm Worship & Education meeting

Wed: 10:30 Staff meeting

Thurs: 10:00 am Bible Study  
Readings: Genesis 1: 1-2a; Psalm 8; 2  
Corinthians 13: 11-13;  
Matthew 28: 16-20

Watch for notification in regards to Choir.

**Notice:** The meeting to update our Membership Roll is postponed until Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m.

## Important! Important! Important!

Saturday  
May 24<sup>th</sup> Congregational  
Workshop  
Focus – Strategic Planning  
“All Welcome”  
Lower Hall

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10:30 – 12:30 Workshop  
12:30 – 1:15 Fellowship Lunch  
1:15 – 3:15 Workshop  
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We will be lead by a facilitator –  
Brian Maitland

Please bring either sandwiches,  
fruit or vegetable tray,  
or dainties for desert to share.

Regional Event  
June 8, 2008  
Humboldt

This is an opportunity for our congregation to meet and worship with others from three Presbyteries.

**Our Church will not have a service that day.**

Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board if you are interested in attending, so the board might plan for car pooling.

As a congregation we are asked to supply 2 dozen muffins and 3 dozen cookies.



## Hosting Coffee After Church:

Today: Last names beginning with M - R.

Next Week: names beginning with S - Z.

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.



**Please note:** the April and May birthdays will be celebrated together on May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**This Week at Third Avenue**

## *Sympathy & Understanding*

### OUR HEARTS ARE IN SORROW WITH MICHELLE.

Michelle Aalders lost her Dad very suddenly last Tuesday morning. She and Molly have gone off to Nova Scotia with our love and our prayers. We are proposing that those who would like to participate leave an anonymous gift in the church office or in the basket at coffee time to help with her plane fare. Sudden trips are very expensive. Please do not feel obligated but if you would like to contribute it will help us show tangible support.  
Blessings, Donna

## 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.

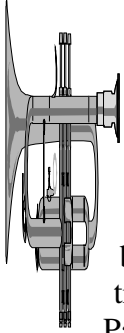


# Thank You

**Special thanks** to Audrey Bayduza for filling in for Michelle this week.

**Thank you** also to Kathy Lindgren Shoard who donated one of her paintings to the Fun Event of April 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Thanks** to everyone who lent us tricycles. There are 2 left in the office. Please come and pick yours up. Thanks.



May 26: at Walter Murray Collegiate. **GUY FEW AND BONNIE NICHOLSON**, in performance. A benefit concert in tribute to Maureen Patterson. Proceeds towards the Maureen

Patterson Honour Band Scholarship. Supper at 6:00, followed by concert. Phone 683-7850 for tickets. Also available at McNally Robinson. Tickets are \$45 in advance.

- ❖ June 14: Fundraiser Flea Market at Oliver Lodge. Donations gratefully accepted. (no clothing). See poster on bulletin board.
- ❖ Grosvenor Park United is looking for a Youth Leader.
- ❖ Drawing/Painting Group at Grosvenor Park United. Anyone interested in getting together weekly for a few hours to work at their art please contact Phyllis Baker at 374-7410. Program to begin in the fall.

For OPPORTUNITIES available at Oliver Lodge, see bulletin board.

**Caregiver Subsidies** are available: to register contact the Caregiver Information Centre at 652-4411. Deadline is May 12. See bulletin board.

### Observer on Tape

If you would like to borrow the Observer on tape, please 'sign it out' in the office. Many thanks!



### **Scripture**

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

### Stewardship Second

Pentecost reminds us of the gift at the centre of our lives as we steward holy Energy!

### **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.



Now is the time to register for Camp

Christopher! Pick up a brochure from the bulletin board, or from the office. Register early, space is limited! Bring a friend and try out the newest camp "Campers-in-Training" – sleepover camp for kindergarten to grade 2!

Volunteers are needed for summer ministry at Camp Christopher.

Needed are Health Officers, Cook's Helpers, Maintenance, Bible Study leaders and Craft volunteers. If you would like to have an awesome week helping build a Christian Community then fill out a Volunteer application form today.



## **Bulletin Board**

(The Wider Community)

- ❖ May 11: 7:30 at Knox. Last concert for this season with the S'toon Chamber Singers
- ❖ May 16: 7:30 at St. Patrick's Parish Centre. John Michael Talbot Live – in Concert. See poster from Universal Church Supplies.
- ❖ May 16 deadline: McClure Handbell Choir is looking for new ringers. If interested, in high school or older, read music very well and are free on Wed. evenings, call Betty Alexander at 374-1173.
- ❖ May 21: 7:00-8:30 pm Spring Tea & Bake Sale for Oliver Lodge. **NOTE: held at Mayfair United.**
- ❖ May 23-24: human rights and the inclusion of students with disabilities: see bulletin board.

### Oliver Lodge is "Growing"

We are all becoming more aware of the increasing need for long term care beds. Oliver Lodge, a United Church owned facility, is working to help with their new expansion. They are seeking folks to work with them on some very exciting fund raising projects. If you could help, please speak to Ian Holmes. Thank you for your consideration of this need.

### **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



### **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.

