

Sunday, Aug. 20, 2017

Today in Children's & Kinder Worship, they will hear the story of Paul & Silas in Jail, Acts 16 - 40. **Next Week at Grace...** Special music by Valerie Schmidt and Gabrielle Munro. In Children's & Kinder Worship, they will hear the story of Ruth & Naomi, Ruth 1 - 4.

▲ this week at grace ▲

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Sunday, August 20

10:00am Worship
& Youth Worship
2:00pm Worship at Afton

Wednesday, August 23

9:00am Men's Small Grp

Sunday, August 27

10:00am Worship
& Youth Worship

▲ worship ministry

Afton Park Place. You are invited to bring your singing voice to the Afton worship service today, Sun. Aug. 20 at 2:00pm.

Memorial Donation. A donation has been received to the Ken Plumley Scholarship Fund in memory of Mary Lou Talbot.

Large print bulletins are available from the greeters/ushers.

▲ inreach ministry ▲

Senior's Drop-In. Grace hosts a monthly drop-in for seniors. The first Thursday morning of each month, 10am – 11:30am. This is a come and

go gathering with no formal program except a pot of coffee and great conversation. For more information, contact Brad (brad@graceucsarnia.com) or Zaida Rankin (zrankin306@gmail.com). The next Seniors Drop-In is Thurs. Sept. 7.

Gentle Yoga for LONGEVITY. The great thing about yoga is that anyone can do it. Its effects can be felt in the whole body and you can practice as gently or as vigorously as you like. With a strengthening and stretching yoga practice we will build balance and stability. We will also work towards increasing ranges of motion in the joints and the spine. Since yoga is a body and mind exercise we will also begin to explore ways to slow down, focus and get connected. Six-week session \$35. Sessions will begin **Fri.** Sept. 8 from 1:00 to 2:00pm Minimum of 5 registered for the session to run. Sessions operated by specialised instructor in yoga, for longevity. Please contact Janet Jordan, 519-542-5245 or janet15@cogeco.ca

▲ teaching ministry ▲

No announcements at this time.

▲ outreach ministry ▲

Mission & Service Fund. Our gifts for Mission & Service support youth and young adults. Rendez-vous is a place where leaders can be inspired and, in turn, inspire youth and young adults in their communities!

Dancing, singing, praying, playing, laughing, and learning—these are all elements of Rendez-vous 2017. Hundreds of youth, young adults, and their leaders will gather at Concordia University in Montreal in August 2017 to celebrate faith.

This will be the third event. Rendez-vous was held in Toronto in 2011 and in Winnipeg in 2014. Each one has a different theme and a regional flavour. The common thread is the energy and enthusiasm

that youth share and take back to their local communities of faith and regions of the country.

Participants at Rendez-vous offered some of the following feedback:

“My home group and our leaders were amazing. Rendez-vous wouldn’t have been the same without the connections, support, and love!”

“I was moved by the diversity and courage of all speakers and appreciated that there was something for everyone.”

“Youth events are extremely important because they give the youth a community to connect with and a sense of belonging with other youth.”

▲ proclamation ministry ▲

No announcements at this time.

▲ governance & support ▲

Holidays. Glenn Parsons will be on holidays Aug. 6 to Sept. 3. Lori Armstrong will be on holidays Mon. Aug. 21, Thurs. Aug. 24, and Aug. 28 to Sept. 1. Carrie Brescia will be covering the office on Aug. 28, 30 and Sept. 1.

Rendez-Vous. Pat is in Montreal this week, taking part in Rendez-vous. This is a national gathering of United Church of Canada youth, young adults, and their leaders.

PAR. Donations to Grace can be made monthly through the PAR program. Did you know PAR also accepts credit card accounts? Not only can your offering be done by Pre-Authorized Remittance, but your contributions may benefit your points program. PAR helps to maintain Grace’s income at a constant level throughout the year. Further information and forms are available from Lori in the office.



Order gift cards for your weekly groceries, gas, and other purchases, or as Birthday gifts, and Grace receives a percentage. Order forms can be found on the table in the narthex (the next due date is Sept. 1, forms & cheques can be dropped in the office mail slot), or order online from Grace's website – under Make a Donation, then click the Fundscrip link (pay 96 cents and have the cards delivered to your home within days).

▲ partners in ministry ▲

Parkinson's Fundraiser. WALK-IT for Parkinson's event on Sun. Sept. 17. This event raises much needed funds for local services, education, research, and advocacy. Our goal this year is to reach 5,000,000 steps across all 14 walks in Southwestern Ontario! As such, we will be giving out free pedometers so that participants can track their steps. Go to the link WALK-IT for Parkinson's Sarnia webpage where you can go for more information or to register for the event: http://events.parkinsonsociety.ca/site/TR/Walk/TeamRaiserWorkshop?pg=entry&fr_id=1157. More info is on the community bulletin board beside the gym.

Rayjon Fall Fair 2017 – new venue! The Annual Rayjon Fall Fair will be held Sat., Sept. 16, at Our Lady of Mercy Parish Hall from 9:00am to 2:00pm. This is a large, annual fundraising event which has been supported so well by our local community for more than 20 years of Rayjon's 31 year history. It's a great day of shopping, schmoozing & supporting the Haiti projects that are such an important part of what we do best. We have a "Wish List" of requested items to make each Fair a success. If you can help or donate any of the goods listed below, please contact the Convenor in charge. We are always open to welcoming new committee members or helpers, either in supportive roles or positions of more responsibility! Books: Kay McDonough, 519-542-8897 NO textbooks please! Women's jewelry: Sharon Sharp, 519-383-7578, Attic Treasures & Toys: Anne Marie Parizeau, 519-542-8150 NO stuffies! Mary Anne Wighton, 519-336-6066. Preserves: Suzanne

Michaud, 519-542-4464. NEW jar lids & rings please! Bake Table: Brenda Hogan, 519-344-3755 or Debby Winterton, 519-862-3333 If you are a baker, we want your "Specialty"! To volunteer in any capacity or for more information re: how to become involved, call Dianne McKillican, 519-862-1963.

Beginning Experience. Are you, or someone you know experiencing the loss of a loved one through death, divorce or separation. Sarnia Beginning Experience is offering weekly support group program "Coping with Being Alone" starting Mon., Sept. 18, and a Weekend retreat from Nov. 3 - 5. For more info please contact 519-337-1205 or visit our website www.sarniabeginningexperience.org.

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6 10:00 Worship, & Youth Worship 3:00 Worship at Twin Lakes	7 Civic Holiday Building Closed	8 1:30 Campfire Training	9 9:00 Men's Small Group 1:30 Campfire Training	10 1:30 Campfire Training	11 6:00 Campfire	12
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