

Sunday, June 11, 2017

Season after Pentecost

One City, One Message

Today:

Mark Glanville "Welcoming the Stranger" Deuteronomy 16:9–17 We welcome you In the name of Jesus Christ



SURROUNDING OUR SERVICES TODAY:

10:30AM Morning Congregation

1-4 PM Korean Presbyterian Church

4:30 PM Evening Congregation

Worship - followed by soup in

the lower hall

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY:

Joy will be preaching on 2 Cor. 4:7-18

10:30AM Morning Congregation

Worship – followed by tea

in the lower hall

1-4 PM Korean Presbyterian

Church

4:30 PM Evening Congregation

Worship

As part of our commitment to learning together about the history of Indigenous-Settler relations on this land, particularly where the Christian Church has been involved in perpetuating injustice, we are beginning each service with words that remind us that the land in and around Vancouver was taken over, sold, and settled without the consent of the Coast Salish peoples who have always lived here and have historic title to it.

A special note to our visitors and those here for the first time:

Through June 18, we are using a different order of service than is usual for our worship services. It is our hope that this will provide special opportunity to linger in prayer and contemplation as the Spirit moves in our hearts and minds.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday services	One City, One Message – The same sermon theme will be preached in over 150 Vancouver churches on this Sunday: "Welcoming the Stranger". Together we are sending a unified message to the city, a vision of the kingdom: the radical welcome of God in Christ. This Sunday Mark will interview Dena Nicolai, Chaplain and Refugee Support Mobilizer at First CRC on Victoria Dr, while Tim Dickau will be preaching at First CRC.
Monday 6:30pm	Streams Of Justice – meeting in Room 8
Weds 9:30-1pm	MOMS - Mothers Offering Mentorship & Support.
Weds 9:30-12pm	<u>CLEAN Break</u> Laundry Program at Washing Wells. Contact <u>christina_chiu@hotmail.com</u> for more info.
Thursday, 5pm	<u>Crossroads Community Meal</u> All are welcome! Doors open at 5pm. Seating to Dine at 6:30pm. For more info email: <u>crossroads@gcbchurch.ca</u>

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 23-26	Internal Review – GCBC has invited three friends from external organizations/churches to come and review the internal workings and structures of GCBC to give insight and advice as we are seeking to operate and grow well and wisely. There will be sign-ups for interview slots with the review team. If you are interested in participating, please
	speak to a pastor.

CHURCH NEWS

Pray for:

- Muriel Mortimer, with declining health.
- Richard Johns' father, suffering from anxiety and health problems, as well as Richard's mother, as she cares for her husband.
- Francis Tam, on the waitlist for ankle replacement surgery.

Staff Away: Melanie will be away June 5-23

Kim will be away June 20-27

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

<u>Work around the church?</u> – If you have seen spaces or areas of the church that you think need a good sprucing up or that you would like to spend a day improving, you are invited to take initiative for those spaces. You could organize a low-key work day with your home group or on your own. Or you could work on it periodically throughout the summer. If this interests you, please contact Kim in the office (admin@gcbchurch.ca). Below is a list of ideas:

- Yard work along the sides of the building
- Clean debris off of the roof
- Deep cleaning Stillpointe
- Painting window trim

Generous Space Launch Party - You are invited to come celebrate the launch of Generous Space Ministries in Vancouver! Generous Space connects LGBTQ+ people with vibrant faith community and equips and resources the Christian community to become more inclusive and diverse. Generous Space, formerly New Direction, has been serving across Canada since 1985. Please join us on Thursday, June 15 at 7pm at the Winsor Gallery to hear more about Generous Space and to connect with others committed to the radical hospitality of Jesus. For more details and purchase tickets: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/generous-space-launch-party-tickets-33834311336

Got an extra blanket or two? Celine Chuang (from the PM congregation) is organizing a blanket drive for The Downtown Eastside Women's Centre Emergency Shelter, which is currently in short supply. Bring in a blanket (washed, good condition, bagged) next Sunday June 18, or drop it off at her house during the week. Email celinechuang@live.ca or phone/text 604-838-5311 to coordinate.

ESG summer shows – Please join the ESG Teen Theatre Ensemble the last week of June as they present, *Women and War* by Jack Hilton Cunningham. This one-act show deals with the struggles and triumphs that women have undergone through their roles in the war efforts from the Great War to 9/11. Content is best suited for ages 12+ as some subject matter may be sensitive for some audience members. Admission is by donation and we encourage you to invite your friends and family as we would love to pack the seats for every show. We are also looking for volunteer help throughout the week, as well as moving the piano on June 23rd after PM service and then tearing everything down and putting the piano back on June 30th after the final performance. If you are available to help on any of these dates, please email Larisse Campbell at larisse@gcbchurch.ca.

Theological Reading Group - Hey Readers! We are reading our second book for the theological reading group—*Desiring the Kingdom* by James K.A. Smith. We will be meeting to discuss the book over dessert at the Dickaus' house (1575 Salsbury Drive) at 7pm on Friday, July 14th. Talk to Emma Gray (emmakeely@gmail.com) or Tim Dickau (tim@gcbchrch.ca) for more details.

The Drum Is Calling Festival needs volunteers! – It's a 9 day immersive festival (July 22-30) of Indigenous arts and culture and a great opportunity to learn and share in a culture that was here long before the confederation. It is turning the "150" on its head and proposes an opportunity to celebrate and grow in relationship. On top of that, the lineup of story tellers, food, performers, and artists is amazing! Volunteers are needed to help make this event happen. For more information on how you can help, contact Kari Bergrud (kari.bergrud@gmail.com).

Beulah Gardens Home Society Opportunity: We are looking for volunteers to help maintain and beautify the therapeutic gardens at Beulah Gardens! Come once for a work day or commit to regular involvement. No gardening experience necessary. Get your exercise, enjoy being outdoors, and contribute to the beauty of the gardens and the well-being of the residents. Please contact Ute Warkentin if you are interested: ute@bghomes.ca

HOUSING

Former Grandview family needing temporary housing - Magdalena Szczeponek-Kloda and her husband and two boys will be visiting Vancouver in August and September and are looking for a short-term rental or house sitting situation or accommodation of some kind. August 18-21 and September 7-15. Please email magszk@gmail.com with any info!

<u>2 rooms available in East Vancouver</u> - New community house at 1st & Rupert with two rooms available. Looking for 1 year commitment. \$620 + utilities. Contact Zoë at 778-388-0242 or zoe.ducklow@gmail.com.

For the 'Fine Print' on our Worship Services, and for Helpful Info on Church Life, take a blue card from the sanctuary pew pockets.

<u>Bulletin Posting:</u> To post news or announcements, please have submissions to Kim Woody by Thurs noon: <u>admin@gcbchurch.ca</u>
<u>Building Use:</u> To minimize building-use conflicts, ensure to contact Kim for booking church space for church-related or private use.
<u>GCBC Email List:</u> To subscribe to the GCBC email list for periodic communication updates, go to "contact us" at <u>gcbchurch.ca.</u>

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GCBC Office Hours: 10am-2pm, Tues - Thurs