

GATEWAY CATHEDRAL

NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2018 EDITION

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Don't you love summer? After the long winter it's always great for the warm long days that summer brings. But it is also busy, filled with activities, vacation, family gatherings, weddings, camp.

It is so easy to squeeze out Christ. But He is so much more refreshing than anything summer can bring. Colossians 1:18 says He is preeminent in all things, including vacations and picnics and softball and long walks and barbecues. He invites us who labour and are heavy laden to find rest in Him.

Peter tells us that true refreshment comes from the presence of the Lord. Enjoy the blessings that summer brings, but also let those times remind you that it is only as we press deeper into Him that we are truly refreshed.

Pastor Gord

LADIES MISSIONARY GROUP

We had our last Ladies Missionary Group Meeting until September 12th on Wednesday, May 16th. We enjoyed a "Pot Luck" lunch and time of fellowship together.

After discussing our Fall plans, we are looking forward to doing more dresses for the girls and making shorts for the boys in the Philippines. We are asking those who can, if they would purchase tee shirts for the boys and panties for the girls to be sent with the dresses and shorts.

If it would be easier for you to give a donation toward these items, you can give your donation to Charlotte Smith, Janet Emerson or myself, and we will purchase the item for you.

As a group we were able to give funds to Right to Life, United Youth Outreach, Becky & Omar Dalumpine's Ministry, Dale & Gwen French's Ministry and the Back Home Boxes.

I pray you all have a wonderful summer, relaxing with family and friends.

Pam McGarrigle
President

SUNDAY SCHOOL

This Spring, in Sunday School, the children have been learning about Jesus' life from a timeline perspective of the birth of Christ following through to the cross and His Ascension into heaven. We have enjoyed growing and learning about Jesus and His ministry. Now, by the request of one of the Sunday schoolers, we are focusing on some of the classic Old Testament stories including Noah's ark, Moses' and the burning bush, and Creation.

It always amazes me, what their minds are thinking and learning about God. In one of our lessons, I was so glad to hear that the kids are full of courage to say they could tell other's at school about the "True Meaning of Easter." The importance of continuing to invest in their lives is so crucial in this day and age of being a kid, surrounded daily by mostly unbelievers!

Sunday school will finish with an end of the year party Sunday Morning June 17th! This will finish our program for the school year. After taking a Summer break, we will resume in the fall, with the hopes of a new Sunday School curriculum to assist teachers in leading and planning each lesson. I would like to propose that this fall season would be an excellent time to join in leading our kids here at Gateway. The Sunday School program is definitely in need of teachers to commit to one Sunday a month or even every other month. This is a small commitment with big rewards to the Kingdom of God. Please let me know if you are at all interested in learning about helping out with Sunday School. Many thanks in advance.

Angela Hanley
Sunday School

MUSIC & WORSHIP

As children's author Alice Low wrote many moons ago - *"We like the things that summer brings. It brings the sun. It bring the heat. It brings the things we like to eat."*

I can remember reading those oh so familiar words while munching on a sweet, sticky slice

of watermelon, ah summer.

As we enter into the warm weather and fun activities of the “best months of the year” we also look forward as a Worship Team to the next season before us.

Over the last few months we have committed as a team to continue to build our relationships through, prayer, fellowship and of course practicing together.

On Sunday mornings you will normally find us in the Prayer Room, praying together for our worship, church and service. We encourage those who can to join us. The Spirit of the Lord has certainly been moving in our services since we have committed ourselves as a team to this important time each Sunday morning.

Psalms 133 says how good it is when we dwell together in unity...for there the Lord commands His blessing.

It is exciting to know that when we are obedient and submit to the Holy Spirit, God's blessing cannot help but fall. Hallelujah!.

We look forward to seeing what God has in store for us next. Please pray for us as we serve God by serving you.

Aaron Hanley & Emily Walsh
Worship Team

OHCC SUMMER CAMPS

Oak Hill Christian Centre is located just 15 minutes outside St. Stephen, New Brunswick. We offer summer camps for children of almost every age. OHCC is equipped with a beautiful Main Lodge where the kitchen, canteen, washrooms, showers and sanctuary are found.

Five spacious log cabins provide the sleeping quarters, and are located just beyond the Main Lodge.

Activities include: swimming (4 feet in-ground pool), playground, baseball, volleyball, basketball, soccer, ball hockey, hiking, obstacle course, giant slip-n-slide, crafts, campfires, archery, capture the flag, paint-ball (Teen & Pre-Teen camps only) and river tubing (Teen camp only.)

Every morning there are age-appropriate devotions and awesome worship and speaking every night.

Our camps are designed to create a fun, safe atmosphere for children to grow into

a spiritual walk with Jesus Christ and have a great time in the process.

2018 CAMP DATES:

KIDS CAMP July 4 - July 7
PRE-TEEN CAMP July 8 - 13
TEEN CAMP July 15 - 20

SEE YOU THERE!

Camp Director

YOUTH

The Bridge Youth Group continues to enjoy the newly renovated space downstairs!! It is such a fun place for the youth to hangout.

Recently, we have had ice cream sundaes and snow cones for the youth due to church member donations. The kids have really enjoyed this!

Our typical Wednesday night includes food, fellowship, games, Christian music, and a discussion or lesson about issues facing the kids daily lives with biblical focused answers.

Although youth group will not meet in July due to the week's of camp at Oak Hill, we look forward to some special get togethers and outings this summer. We will also be encouraging camp attendance by our youth group kids by offering a discount on the registration. More info to come on that!

Please continue to pray for the kids (and leaders!) of The Bridge Youth Ministries!

Aaron & Angela Hanley
Youth Pastors

GENERAL CHURCH INFORMATION

Sunday Worship Service.....10:30 AM

Sunday Evening Service.....6:00 PM

Youth Group.....Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM

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