

Worship at Birchwood

We invite you to join with us this morning in a time set aside to focus our attention on the God who has created us and restores us as a people of faith, hope and love. It is our prayer that we might all know God's joy in our lives and begin this new week refreshed and rejuvenated in our walks of faith.

July 11, 2010

Welcome and Announcements

Worship in Song:

"Holy Is the Lord"
"Holy, Holy, Holy" #262
"Who Am I"
"Lord of Lords"

Prayers of the People

Offertory:

"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

Scripture Reading:

John 4:1-19 Pew Bible Page 1052

Message:

"Jesus Guest Starred on Desperate Housewives"

Song of Response:

"Mighty to Save"

Blessing

(All songs are used by permission: CCLI#142455)

Please Note:

- ◆ Children, Preschool through 5th grade, are invited to remain in the worship service but may attend Activity Hour after the first song set.
- ◆ You are invited to stand during the opening songs, but please feel free to sit down at anytime if needed.
- ◆ Printed texts of the songs to be sung are listed in the large print bulletins which are available from the ushers upon request.
- ◆ If you would like to pray with someone after the service, a prayer team will be available up front.



Plan on the Picnic!

Saturday, July 17

12:30 pm at Lake Padden

The All Church Picnic is back! We will be gathering at Lake Padden (take the east entrance by the golf course and stay to the right) at the 2 food areas and play station at 12:30 pm.

PICNIC:

We will begin with a picnic at 12:30 pm. Chicken, beverages (bottled water, pop, lemonade and coffee) and tableware will be provided. **Please bring a dish to share. Cost is \$3 per person with children 12 and under free!** Both food areas are reserved for Birchwood so there will be lots of room for family and friends. As children finish eating there is a play station nearby so parents can relax and visit.

GAMES & ACTIVITIES:

There will be a parachute to gather under, some fun games and relays for children & youth following the picnic. If you would like to help with these activities please contact Marc and Robbie Whitlock. Enjoy the basketball court nearby and bring any of your favorite toys (bikes, kayaks, guitars, walking shoes or bread for the ducks) and enjoy the park.

BASEBALL:

After our organized games and some free time, get set for a co-ed game of baseball in the baseball field adjacent to the food areas. There are bleachers for those who prefer to watch or bring a chair as we PLAY BALL! If you would like to help with the game or have equipment to share please contact Chance McClellan.

We Hope to See You There!



Celebration of Worship

July 11, 2010

10:15 am



Some people are very concerned about making Christianity relevant. Only Jesus Christ knows the person He created us to become. Only Jesus saves us from sabotaging ourselves. In Jesus you become yourself. Is anything more relevant? Trying to make Jesus relevant is like trying to make breathing relevant or health relevant.

**We offer Hope, Community,
Acceptance and Purpose
in a broken world.**

Welcome!

What's Happening at Birchwood:

Early Birds Women's Summer Group: The Early Birds Women's Group meets on **Tuesdays** from 7:00 am to 8:30 am in the BPC Library. The focus for the summer months will be prayer. The group will meet through mid-August and restart in September with a study of Isaiah. For more information please contact Mary Kingsford-Smith at 738-6959.

Summer Community BBQ Moving to Cornwall Park! The BPC youth invite you to join them this summer on **Wednesday Evenings** for a BBQ/Potluck from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Cornwall Park (main entrance across from Boy Scout office). The Youth Ministry will provide hot dogs and condiments. Please bring a side dish, beverage or dessert to share. The evenings will include games, worship and lots of laughter! For more information please contact Pete or Sarah (will continue each Wednesday night through August 11, with the exception of July 21).

Cancer Support Group: Birchwood's cancer support group meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am in the Cedar Room. This group is open to all cancer patients in treatment or remission and for support people. The next meeting will be **July 14**.

Men's Chorus and Ladies' Choir Invitation: We would like to have both a Men's Chorus and a Ladies' Choir sing this summer. The following dates are being considered for both of the groups: **Wednesday, July 14 rehearsal, 7:00 pm/singing on Sunday, July 18; Wednesday, July 28 rehearsal, 7:00 pm/singing on Sunday, August 1; and/or Wednesday, August 4 rehearsal, 7:00 pm/singing on Sunday, August 8**. All singers are invited, whether a regular choir member or not, to join a gender-appropriate group. Please let Mary know either by email (mary@bpchurch.org) or by phone (733-8860 ext. 109) if you would like to sing, the part that you sing and which dates you could be available to sing with a group.

Seasonaires Summer Adventures! Seasonaires (for those 55 and over) has some exciting activities this summer. On **Wednesday, July 21**, they go to Lake Samish for their annual summer picnic with BBQ turkey and other goodies. The August adventure will be to the Seattle Mariners baseball game on **Wednesday, August 11** via chartered bus (all ages invited). Tickets and transportation will be \$32.00. Plan to be with them for all of these fun-filled and friendship building opportunities. Make your reservations by signing in the Seasonaires Book at the Welcome Center.

July Work Party: There will be a BPC work party on Saturday, **July 24** from 9:00 am to noon. If you love to weed then this is the work party for you! For more information please contact Claude Robinson.

Agape Walk and Run! Get involved and support a great ministry of The Lighthouse Mission! The Agape Walk and Run will take place on **Saturday, August 7**. Check-in time is 9:00 am at Maritime Heritage Park. This event supports the Agape House Ministry that shelters homeless women and children. Adult registration fee is \$12 (children \$5) and includes a t-shirt. You can even register your dog for \$5 and receive a bandana and treat! Brochures are available at the Welcome Center or call 671-1562.

Summer Men's Breakfast: Join with men of the church for fellowship and breakfast! Summer Men's Breakfasts are held on the 2nd Friday of each month at 6:30 am in the Palm Room. The next breakfast is **August 13**.

This Week at Birchwood:

Today

9:00 am Summer Adult Education, Chapel
10:15 am Worship Service, Worship Center
11:30 am Fellowship, Foyer

Monday

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
1:30 pm Stewardship Committee, Library

Tuesday

7:00 am Early Bird's Women's Group, Library
9:00 am Vacation Bible School
5:30 pm Session Meeting, Cedar Room

Wednesday

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
9:30 am Cancer Support Group, Cedar Room
6:00 pm Community BBQ/Potluck, Cornwall Park

Thursday

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
9:30 am Congregational Prayer, Library

Friday

9:00 am Vacation Bible School

Saturday

12:30 pm All Church Picnic, Lake Padden

Mission Prayer Focus:

Far East Broadcasting Company (FEBC): FEBC, founded in 1945, is a non-denominational, international Christian radio network that broadcasts in more than 130 languages from 128 transmitters located throughout the world. Yearly they receive more than 850,000 responses from listeners.

"Prayer and Care" Board this Week:

Marilyn Methven Ray Bailey Marlene Zei
Nathan Knudson Charlotte Murray



July Memory Verse:

"In this world you will have trouble.
But take heart! I have overcome the world."

John 16:33b



Are You New to Birchwood?

If you are **new** or visiting Birchwood today then come and visit our Birchwood Visitor Station. We would love to welcome you here, give you one of our water bottles and introduce you to what is happening here at Birchwood. We're excited that you're here! Please stop by!

Summer Schedule:

Birchwood's summer schedule is now in session with the worship service continuing at 10:15 am but with no 9:00 am Children/Youth Education Hour preceding it. The regular "all age" Education Hour will return in mid-September.



Summer Adult Education!

A special Summer Adult Education class will run from July 11 to August 22 at 9:00 am in the Chapel. This class will feature various teachers and topics.

The first two weeks of Summer Adult Education will feature Pastor Bruce Becker teaching:

"The ABC's of the Creation Stories & Genesis 1-2"

Summer Adult Ed:	9:00 am
Summer Worship:	10:15 am
Fellowship:	11:30 am

Summer Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday	9-5 pm
Friday	9-1 pm