

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

Special Presentation: Gideon's

Call to Worship

Worship in Song:

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #43

"Your Grace Is Enough"

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

"We Fall Down"

Special Presentation: Hope for the Pokemchi

Prayers of the People

Offertory:

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

Scripture Reading:

Responsive Reading #674 in Hymnal

Message:

"The Grace of Forgiveness"

Song of Response:

"You Are My King"

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.



July Work Party

**Saturday, July 24
9:00 am to Noon**

There will be a work party for the landscaping on Saturday, July 24, from 9:00 am to Noon. We plan to finish the bark on the south side and trim summer growth on shrubs and remove the weeds caused by the hot weather. Please sign up in the Foyer today!

Playground Work Parties



**Friday and Saturday
July 30 and 31**

Two major work parties for the Play Area are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, July 30 and 31. This will be the assembly of the play equipment. We need about 15 people over age 18. Please sign up in the Foyer. This should be the most FUN of all the construction tasks we have left - you can be the first to see the equipment! Questions? Contact Claude Robinson, 398-9899.



**Celebration of Worship
July 18, 2010
10:15 am**



*"Forgive us the wrong we have done,
as we have forgiven those
who have wronged us."
Matthew 6:12, New English Bible*

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

Welcome!

What's Happening at Birchwood:

Gideon's Free Will Offering Today: There will be a special presentation by the Gideon's today and a Free Will offering will be collected as you leave the Worship Center this morning.

Church Un-decorating Party! There will be a church un-decorating party on Tuesday, **July 20** at 1:00 pm. Questions? Contact Janice at 380-5770.

Guatemala Planning Meeting: The Guatemala team will have a planning meeting on Tuesday, **July 20** at 7:00 pm in the Cedar Room. This meeting will address their fundraising event scheduled for October 2.

Seasonaires Summer Picnic! Join the Seasonaires (those 55 and over) for their summer picnic on Wednesday, **July 21** at 1:00 pm. The picnic is at Lake Samish (Paradis home) and will include BBQ turkey and other goodies. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. Make your reservations by signing in the Seasonaires Book at the Welcome Center.

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 info please contact Pete or Sarah (will continue each week through August 11, **except 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 28**.

Men's Chorus and Ladies' Choir: The following dates are now scheduled: **Men's Chorus: Wednesday, July 28 rehearsal, 7:00 pm/singing on Sunday, August 1. Ladies Choir: 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 Walsh know either by email (mary@bpcchurch.org) or by phone (733-8860 ext. 109) if you would like to sing and the part that you sing.

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. 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**.

Staff and Office News:

Pastor Bruce Becker is gone today due to a family emergency. It is anticipated that he will return to the office on Tuesday, July 20. He is then scheduled to be on vacation from Wednesday, July 21 until Tuesday, July 27. Pastor Mike Neelley of Tierra Nueva Ministries will be preaching on Sunday, July 25. Minister of Congregational Care, Bud Lee, will be out of the office Monday, July 26 until Monday, August 2. The church office will be closed on Thursday, August 5 and Friday, August 6 as the staff attends the Willow Creek Leadership Summit at Cornwall Church.

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

Office Open 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Tuesday

7:00 am Early Bird's Women's Group, Library
1:00 pm Church Un-decorating Party
1:00 pm Staff Meeting, Cedar Room
7:00 pm Guatemala Planning Meeting, Cedar Room

Wednesday

1:00 pm Seasonaires Picnic, Lake Samish
Youth Leave for Creation
No Community BBQ/Potluck this week

Thursday

9:30 am Congregational Prayer, Library

Friday

Office Open 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Saturday

9:00 am Work Party

"Prayer and Care" Board this Week:

Nathan Knudson Marilyn Methven Marlene Zei
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 through August 22 at 9:00 am in the Chapel. This class will feature various teachers and topics.

Summer Adult Education schedule of teachers:

- ◆ July 25 Bud Lee
- ◆ August 1 Chuck Kingsford-Smith
- ◆ August 8 Dave Loepky

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