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November 9th, 2008

Remembrance Sunday

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

THE APPROACH

Musical Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: #7 MV, Gather Us In

Words of Gathering:

On this Remembrance Sunday we honour our veterans;
and the lives lost and altered by the mark of war.

On this Remembrance Sunday we remember places around
the world

trapped at this time in a cycle of war and violence.

On this day, we pray for your will, O God, to be done.

May your peace be known.

**May your safety and harmony be among all people,
and all nations, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Passing the Peace of Christ

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Hymn: #1 MV, Let Us Build a House (vs. 1-4)

Prayer of Humility: (together)

On this day, as we remember, we also think of people around the world who fear the violence of war when troops are deployed, bombs are dropped, missiles launched, and attack rockets released. Help us, God, to see the light of Christ even in the midst of fear. May our remembering also include hope and action that brings an end to the violence of war... (continue to pray as you choose...)

Assurance of Love

Hymn: 679, Let There Be Light

Children's Time

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture:

Joshua 10:8-15 *p.202*
The sun stands still.

Mark 9:33-37 *p. 45*
Who is the greatest?

Reader: This is the Word of God as it is written
in our Christian scripture.

All: The written word of God is enlightened
by the living Word of God that is within us.

Musical Pause

Sermon

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THE RESPONSE

Hymn: 678, For the Healing of the Nations

Minute for Mission: Oliver Lodge Special Care Home

Offering and Prayer of Dedication: (together)

These are your gifts to us, O God, gifts of generosity and grace. We return to you that which you have given, knowing your blessing is upon them for your work they support. We are blessed, too, in the ministry we share. Amen

Prayers of and for the people and the prayer from Jesus
(paraphrase p 916 VU)

Last Post, Silence, Reveille

Benediction and Blessing

Postlude

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The Life and Work of the Congregation November 9th, 2008.

Good morning and welcome! We are glad you came! **Visitors** are asked to sign our guest book in the vestibule. **All are invited** to the auditorium following the service for refreshments and visiting.

Coffee (regular and decaf.) and juice are being served in the narthex each morning before the service. This is an opportunity to socialize prior to the Sunday worship services and is one way congregations are engaging in the **Emerging Spirit Campaign**.

Head usher, greeters, ushers and readers are members of the Saskatoon 22nd Bethel Scouting Group. We welcome them to our service this morning.

Today's bulletin is sponsored by Peggy Jakes in loving memory of her Mother, Flo Hill, former choir member.

To help prevent the spread of colds and flu-like illnesses, please remember to use the **hand sanitizer** that is provided on the table in the narthex and on the table at coffee time.

Next Sunday, November 16th, following the service, Peter Prebble, a former MLA, will speak to us on the tar sands. Initial development of the tar sands of Northern Saskatchewan has begun. Learn what is at stake with this work for the environment, for the province and for you. Peter Prebble will speak to this issue. He makes a balanced, considerate presentation. **Please plan to stay for a sandwich lunch at 11:45 (silver collection), followed by Mr. Prebble's presentation.**

The Pastoral Care Committee will meet immediately after the worship service today, and ditto for the **Outreach Committee**.

A martial arts group will be meeting in the gymnasium this evening. Please stay for a few minutes after coffee time, if you can, and help put away the tables and chairs. Thank you.

'Music for a Sunday Afternoon': Appreciation is expressed to members of the Choir and the people who participated in any way to make last Sunday afternoon's event a success. As well as it being an enjoyable afternoon, with entertainment provided by professional musical performers, the church realized \$1,000 for the general fund.

Norm will be in his office for part of the day Tuesday to Friday most weeks. Feel free to drop in if you see his car parked in its spot. In an effort to be more easily accessible, Norm will for sure be in his office **Tuesday evenings 5:00-7:00, and Thursday mornings 9:00-noon**. Again, feel free to drop in or call during these times.

Advent Newsletter: Committees, groups and individuals are asked to submit information to Newsletter Editor, Gladys Kemmer (373-1205 or dgkemm@sasktel.net) 'People news' is always welcome. **Please contact Gladys today if you have an item to submit for the Newsletter.**

Samples of the 2009 Bulletin Covers are in the church office. If you wish to sponsor a bulletin to honour a loved one, a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion, the cost is \$30. All contributions are tax deductible. **2009 Canadian Church Calendars** are also available - \$5.00.

Meals on Wheels: Volunteers are needed to continue delivering meals. The sign-up calendar is on the literature table. Bethel's coordinator is Shirley McKay (374-4883).

Bethel Art Group meets Monday mornings from 9:30-11:30 in the Upper Room. Each person works in his/her medium of choice. No special talent is needed and new members are always welcome.

Check out Bethel's website for general information about our church, our service and news and events. The site address is: www.bethelsaskatoon.com or go to the WonderCafe site and do a church search using either the church name or postal code. **Any information for our website** must be forwarded through the church office. Information from a source, other than the church office, will not be posted.

UCW Bazaar, Soup and Sandwich Luncheon and Bake Sale

Saturday, November 15th
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Donations of bazaar items and baking would be appreciated.

Please price your items and bring them to the church on Friday, November 14th, if possible.

Thank you.

Come and bring a friend!

"Challenging Empire", a course on the theme of social justice, is being held for 5 weeks at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Room. The next study date is **Tuesday, November 11th**. The term 'empire' was well known in Jesus' time but it does not have the same meaning today. In these five weeks we will learn the meaning of 'empire' for our time and how we in Canada are affected by it. We will discuss what the words 'global south' mean and how our lifestyle affects these people. We will hear stories about how we benefit and how we are complicit in empire's impact on other people, and all of creation. Finally, we will develop ways to challenge empire and create alternatives to it. Come and join us for a time of interesting and informative discussion. **There is no cost for this workshop and all are welcome. Rev. Jeanette Liberty-Duns will be the facilitator.**

Queen's House Retreat & Renewal Centre, 601 Taylor Street West, (telephone 242-1916) is offering the following events:

-`Lenten Retreat:Encountering Jesus Christ, March 27-29;

-`Hope for the Future of Humanity' April 13-16;

-`Women's Retreat, Meet the "Mother of the Canadian Church", May 29-31.

(Pamphlets for these events are on the literature rack in the narthex.)

Other Church and Community Events:

-**McClure United Church**, 4025 Taylor Street East, Saturday, **November 15** CRAFTS Craft table rentals: call Glen Reeve at 374-2505) BOOKS, BAKE TABLE 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Pancake Breakfast: 8:00 a.m-11:00 a.m. Hot Dog Lunch 11:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

-**Snowflake Flutter** - The fall tea of Grace-Westminster UCW will be held on **Saturday, November 15 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm** at Grace-Westminster United Church (505 - 10th Street E.). Featured will be a craft and gift sale, silent auction, fish pond, bake sale and "door prize". Admission by donation.

-**The Prairie Centre for Ecumenism** will sponsor "A Multifaith Reflection on Restorative Justice...an evening of shared perspectives", on **Wednesday, November 19th**, 6:00-9:30 p.m. Pamphlets (green) are on the literature rack in the narthex.

-**Osteoporosis Canada (Saskatoon Chapter) Educational Forum**, Saturday, **November 22**, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

-`Grosvenor Goodie Shoppe', Saturday, **November 22nd**, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Grosvenor Park United Church.

-**Mayfair United Church is hosting a Dinner Theatre**, "Captain's Outrageous" – A Comedy by David Deboy; directed by Dennis Beerling, **beginning Thursday, November 27th**.

-**Knox United Church** Bake Sale with crafts, seasonal gifts and chili lunch (\$5.00), Saturday, November 29 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

-**World AIDS Day, Annual HIV/AIDS Candlelight Vigil, December 1**, 6:30 p.m., St. Peter the Apostle Church in Bishop Klein School, 1121 Northumberland Ave. Everyone welcome.

(Please see bulletin board next to the church office for posters on the above and other events.)

Meetings and events this week:

Monday:

-Bethel Art Group, 9:30 (Upper Room)

-Cubs, 7:00

Tuesday:

-Happy Unit, 10:00, at the home of Freda Crossman.

-"Challenging Empire" social justice study, 7:00 (Upper Room)

Wednesday:

-Staff Meeting, 9:30

-Bible Study, 10:00

-Naomi Unit, 2:00 (Kitchen)

-Choir Practice, 7:00 p.m.

-Scouts, 7:00

Friday:

-Set up for Bazaar

Saturday:

-UCW Bazaar, Soup & Sandwich Lunch and Bake Table, 11:00 am to 2:00 p.m.

Advance Notice:

-`Hanging of the Greens', Sunday, November 23rd, after church

Scripture readings for next Sunday, November 16th:

Genesis 12:1-5 Matthew 25:14-30

Stewardship Seconds 2008 - November 9th:

God heals us; God heals through us.

Our offerings are God's healing love in action.

The Oliver Lodge Community Day Program is in need of some buttons for Christmas crafts. Please contact Kristen Smith, Director of Recreation and Volunteer Services, Oliver Lodge 382-4111 (ext. 33), if you could donate buttons.