

CENTENNIAL HOTSPOT

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SESSION

Our September Session meeting was moderated by our Interim Moderator, Rev. Mark Tremblay. More information was received on the Presbyterian Church sick leave policy as he is very familiar with this.

Pulpit Supply

Sunday, October 1st will be a Communion Sunday with Rev. Mark Tremblay presiding.

Sunday, October 8th will have Ty Ragan leading our worship service once more.

Sunday, October 15th will have Elder Daniel Edie leading our worship.

Sunday, October 22nd will have Patience Nahumure leading our worship.

Sunday, October 29th will have Rev. Fiona Swanson leading our worship again.

Elder's Districts were finalized at our meeting. The resulting districts will be posted in the narthex. Please note that since Elder

Pride Muma is on leave, his district has been temporarily reassigned.

Ana Colina-Carter has accepted the position of Roll Clerk. This is the person who looks after the roll of voting members and adherents for the congregation and was previously held by Godfrey Phillips who retired as an active elder.

The Session approved Emmanuel Nyambod as the new Chairman of the Board of Managers pending final approval at a congregational meeting.

Session approved Emilie Neba as the new Envelope Secretary pending final approval at a congregational meeting. This is to replace Francis Leumen Djakan who is resigning from the position.

Our next meeting will be on October 24, 2023 and will begin with a joint meeting with the Board.

Newsletters will continue to be emailed, for those who do not have email addresses or have not provided one a physical copy of the newsletter will be mailed.

November newsletter deadline is October 25.



PEWS NEWS

Birthdays to celebrate in October
October 5, Jim Broadwell

Please keep Rev. Kim and his family in your prayers as they navigate through his recovery.

Oct. 1	Communion, Rev. Tremblay
Oct. 2	Stewardship Committee, 7:00 pm, zoom
Oct. 8	Thanksgiving, Ty Ragan, pulpit supply
Oct. 14	CCWF Stuffing Party, 10:00 am
Oct. 15	Daniel Edie, pulpit supply
Oct. 18	FISH Network, 7:00 pm, zoom
Oct. 22	Patience Nahumure, pulpit supply
Oct. 29	Rev. Fiona Swanson, pulpit supply
Oct. 31	Worship Committee, 11:00 am Session, 7:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOTES FROM THE LOFT

I would like to be able to continue to provide musical accompaniment for the time of praise portion of the service. We are looking for someone who plays guitar or drums. We have one person for drums, but it might be nice to have two of each so that they can spell off during the month. Please contact me at 403-285-9516 or cyz@shaw.ca.



Carla Zacharias
Music Team Leader

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

We continue to ask for your prayers for the Kim family as we continue to worship our God and King. We also seek prayer for Mark Tremblay and the Session as they lead the congregation.

Future services include:

- October 1 World Wide Communion Sunday
- October 8 Thanksgiving Sunday
- November 19 International Sunday
- December 3 Advent I Communion
- December 10 Advent II Mitten Tree
- December 17 Advent III White gifts and Church School presentation
- December 24 Advent IV
- December 24 Christmas Eve

You may have noticed that the projectors at the front of the sanctuary seem to grow dimmer each week. These have never been really suitable for our use and replacements would enhance our worship experience. As we were casually discussing this it was mentioned that finances continue to be a problem and money might not be available for this. I was reminded that giving is a part of the worship experience and giving generously enhances that experience. I ask that we all consider our ongoing commitment to the work of Centennial and how the amount we give in relation to our income fits with biblical principals.

As always, we value your input on all matters pertaining to worship. Please direct your comments to us at office@centennialchurch.ca or broad2well@shaw.ca

Jim Broadwell
Chairman

PRAYER CALENDAR

If you have any prayer concerns that arise, please contact the office and we can include these in our prayer chain. If you would like to be part of our prayer chain, please contact the office and have your name added to the list. Updates will be given via text or email as is suitable for you.

Do you wonder how you can reach out to others in the congregation? Every day on the prayer calendar is a person or family to pray for that day. Look them up in the directory and give them a quick call to say hello! It's a small gesture that could go a long way.

FROM THE OFFICE

Rev. Mark Tremblay is our Interim Moderator. At the moment, he can best be reached at revmarktremblay@yahoo.com.

Office Hours:

Carla will be in the church office Fridays from 9:30—12:00, and working from home on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30-12:00.

As we move forward with our Interim Moderator, if there are office hours that he will be at Centennial, they will be shared here.

If you have **upcoming birthdays and anniversaries** you would like us to celebrate as we do every Sunday, please send the dates to office@centennialchurch.ca or call Carla Zacharias and we will get them in for celebrating.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

CCWF

Stuffing Party

The accompanying photo tells the story. Our September Stuffing Party was very successful!

So much so, that we are having an October Stuffing Party. We invite everyone to join us on Saturday, October 14 at 10am (please note the time change for our meeting – 10am rather than 11am). Bring along any Stuffedies you have made over the summer, and we will stuff, sew together, add faces and hair and decorate them to make wonderful toys. In November we will donate the toys to Samaritan's Purse for their Shoe Box program. If you have any questions, please contact Sally Salonka or Margaret McCord.



ENVELOPE SECRETARY

More from the Envelope secretary: As you have seen in the bulletin recently, we will be reducing the quantity of envelopes that we will be ordering for 2024, by 20. So the numbers being used will be 1 thru 80. If you currently have envelopes numbered 81-100, you will receive a new number as of January 1, 2024.

There is nothing for you to doexcept, do not use your new envelopes before January and do NOT use your old number after December 31, 2023.

Using e-transfer is an easy tool to ensure your offering is delivered even if you cannot be at worship. You can even set it up to transfer your offering automatically on the same day each month. If this is appealing to you, you do not need envelopes but will

be given a number for which there are no envelopes, currently that is a number over 100. Having an identifiable number makes it easier to record your offering. If you have any questions you can speak to Francis or Gwyn or email Francis

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Have you done your shoebox shopping yet? (no liquids, candy, breakables, war toys)

Shoeboxes will soon be ready for packing & returning to the Church.

Pack for boys or girls 2-4 years, 5-9 years, 10-14 years

The collection dates are November 13-19. Further information regarding shoebox availability and drop off deadline will be forthcoming.

At the back of the newsletter you will find the suggestion lists to help you make your choices.



Evelyn
Missions Committee

Shoebox Gift Suggestions

Visit SamaritansPurse.ca/occ to learn how to pack a shoebox, and get the latest resources.



Girls Age 2-4

A "Wow" Item

- Doll
- Soccer ball (*Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.*)
- Stuffed animal
- An outfit of clothing to wear
- Small musical instrument (*such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder*)

Personal Care Items

- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- Bar soap (*packaged and/or in a container*)
- Adhesive bandages (*Colorful ones can help a child be more willing to wear a bandage. Do not include liquid antibiotic ointment.*)
- Reusable plastic containers: cup, water bottle, plate, bowl, blunt-edged utensils (*Consider filling an empty container with non-liquid items such as hair bows, bracelets, sunglasses, or washcloths to maximize the space.*)
- Small Blanket

Clothing and Accessories

- Shirts and pants
- Pillowcase dress (*loose-fitting sundress*)
- Underwear
- Shoes and socks
- Flip-flops
- Hat/scarf/mittens
- Sunglasses
- Tote bag/purse
- Hair bows
- Friendship bracelets (*woven with yarn or embroidery thread*)

Crafts and Activities

- Pencils
- Small manual pencil sharpener
- Colored pencils
- Pencil case
- Crayons
- Markers
- Pens
- Coloring pads
- Coloring books
- Picture book
- Notebooks
- Glue stick (*Do not include liquid glue.*)
- Small adhesive tape
- Powdered paint set (*Finger paint palette/crayons/markers (non-liquid containers), paint brushes, canvas or paper*)
- Make-it-yourself craft items or kit
- Playdough (*Consider adding plastic cookie cutters as non-sharp utensils the child can use with the playdough.*)
- Stickers
- Skipping rope/Jump rope

Toys

- Foam ball
- Kickball (*Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.*)
- Finger puppets
- Slinky
- Etch A Sketch
- Interactive toys that include push buttons, lights, noise (*include extra batteries*)



Boys Age 2-4

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- An outfit of clothing to wear
- Small musical instrument (*such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder*)

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- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- Bar soap (*packaged and/or in a container*)
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Clothing and Accessories

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- Building blocks
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- Stickers

Toys

- Foam ball
- Kickball (*Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.*)
- Tennis ball
- Finger puppets
- Slinky
- Etch A Sketch
- Play cars/trucks/boats
- Plastic tools
- Plastic dinosaurs
- Interactive toys that include push buttons, lights, noise (*include extra batteries*)



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Girls Age 5-9

A "Wow" Item

- Doll (*Consider including accessories such as doll clothes or a small doll bed.*)
- Soccer ball (*Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.*)
- Stuffed animal
- An outfit of clothing to wear
- Small musical instrument (*such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder*)

Personal Care Items

- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- Bar soap (*packaged and/or in a container*)
- Adhesive bandages (*Colorful ones can help a child be more willing to wear a bandage. Do not include liquid antibiotic ointment.*)
- Reusable plastic containers: cup, water bottle, plate, bowl, blunt-edged utensils (*Consider filling an empty container with non-liquid items such as hair bows, bracelets, sunglasses, or washcloths to maximize the space.*)
- Small Blanket
- Non-liquid lip balm
- Flashlight (*solar-powered or hand-crank; if battery operated, be sure to include extra batteries of the type needed*)

School Supplies

- Pencils
- Small manual pencil sharpener
- Colored pencils
- Pencil case
- Pens
- Crayons
- Markers
- Notebooks
- Blank index cards
- Solar-powered calculator
- Safety (blunt tip) scissors
- Ruler
- Protractor
- Glue stick (*Do not include liquid glue.*)
- Small adhesive tape

Clothing and Accessories

- Shirts and pants
- Pillowcase dress (*loose-fitting sundress*)
- Underwear
- Shoes and socks
- Flip-flops
- Hat/scarf/mittens
- Sunglasses
- Tote bag/purse
- Hair bows
- Friendship bracelets (*woven with yarn or embroidery thread*)

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Boys Age 5-9

A "Wow" Item

- Soccer ball (*Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.*)
- Toy truck or boat
- Stuffed animal
- An outfit of clothing to wear
- Small musical instrument (*such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder*)

Personal Care Items

- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- Bar soap (*packaged and/or in a container*)
- Adhesive bandages (*Colorful ones can help a child be more willing to wear a bandage. Do not include liquid antibiotic ointment.*)
- Reusable plastic containers: cup, water bottle, plate, bowl, blunt-edged utensils (*Consider filling an empty container with non-liquid items such as combs, markers, sunglasses, or washcloths to maximize the space.*)
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- Flip-flops
- Wrist watch
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- Watercolor Set (*Finger paint palette/crayons/markers (non-liquid containers), paint brushes, canvas or paper*)
- Make-it-yourself craft items or kit
- Puzzles
- Playdough (*Consider adding plastic cookie cutters as non-sharp utensils the child can use with the playdough.*)
- Stickers
- Chalkboard and chalk
- Binoculars
- Skipping rope/Jump rope

Toys

- Foam ball
- Kickball (*Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.*)
- Costume items to play dress-up, such as crowns and costume jewelry
- Plastic toys and toy figures
- Yo-yo
- Small Frisbee
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- Baseball and mitt
- Tennis ball
- Plastic dinosaurs, animals, action figures (*nothing war-related*)
- Toy cars
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