

# Don't Forget!

- July 21 Prayer Focus 7:30pm
- July 23 Youth 7:30pm
- July 25 *Short Business* meeting after the morning service to vote on membership candidate.
- July 26 Kamp Agappae starts -they are in need of paper rolls, any size will do.
- July 28 Prayer Focus 7:30pm
- July 30 Youth 7:30pm

## This Week at a Glance

### **Wednesday, July 14**

Weekly Prayer Focus 7:30pm

### **Friday, July 16**

Youth 7:30pm

### **Sunday, July 18**

10am Wilf Wight –“Have You Understood?”, and church Family Picnic 3pm @ the Habinskis’, 5655 Dunning Rd., Navan. (maps at the Welcome Ctr.).

Join us for this special gathering which will include swimming volleyball etc. Surnames beginning with A-M please bring a dessert and N-Z a salad /finger food to share. Don't forget your swim suit, suntan lotion, bug spray, long pants for evening, lawn chairs, Frisbees.

Wilf Wight

July 11, 2010

## EXTRAVAGANT LOVE

John 12: 1-11

This chapter is a remarkable transition from the previous one. Jesus is back in the home of his friends in Bethany, but under very different circumstances. Lazarus is no longer ill (or dead), but is enjoying resurrection life and fellowship with his Friend. Martha is still serving. Mary expresses love and devotion to Jesus in an extravagant gesture. Each one is demonstrating an important role in their life and relationship with the Lord.

**The Dinner:** Through Martha a dinner is served to ..... the Lord.

**The Devotion:** The scene of Lazarus at the table with Jesus reminds us of that future day when all believers will be beyond the grave and will enjoy eternal .....with the Lord.

The unforgettable expression of.....and .....by Mary is the central piece of this dinner scene.

**The Debate:** There is a mixed reaction – as always - to Jesus. The religious leaders were plotting to .....him. Based on His resurrection power, many observers were .....in Him.

**PRAYER:** Lord Jesus, I confess there have been times when my heart was cold, lacking in faith and barren of love toward you. Thank you for bringing me to this point, of placing my faith in you as my Saviour. Now, by your grace, I want to go further and articulate my love for you. Help me to love you with extravagance. Open doors so, that I may find ways to express my love and devotion to you. For your glory and honour, Amen

Morning Worship 10:00 am

James Drennan

Senior Pastor

**Welcome to our service this morning.  
May God's grace flow abundantly so,  
that you may grow in that grace and  
know the fullness of God.**

## Welcome to AV!

July 11, 2010

If you are a guest today, we're glad you have joined us! We invite you to complete the *AV Communication Card* and place it in the offering plate or give to an usher. Our prayer is that you will sense the reality of God's presence here today and be drawn closer to Him as a result of our time together.

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Welcome

Worship: Come, Now is the Time to Worship  
God of Wonders  
You are my King

Offering

Message: "Extravagant Love" Wilf Wight

Worship: Jesus Is All the World to Me  
Now I Belong to Jesus  
My Saviour's Love  
O, How He Loves You and Me

Communion

Closing: More Love to Thee

## Next Sunday

Wilf Wight speaking - "Have You Understood?" John 13: 1-12  
Church Family Picnic @ the Habinskis' 3pm

Did you know that you can keep up with the latest sermons, while away on holidays? Just following the link @

<http://altavistabaptist.org/category/sermons/>

THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION



### SABBATH

What is the significance of  
Sabbath in your faith?

Most of us feel too busy much of the time. Our days rush by like a movie on fast forward. We complain about the pace of life as we race off to the next event or log a few more hours of overtime.

While busyness has its benefits, it also takes its toll. Our bodies become fatigued, our souls become thin, our relationships turn shallow, and our hearts grow hard.

Here's where Sabbath comes to help us. The word "Sabbath" means to cease or to stop. After creating the world in six days, God stopped on the seventh day. He "*rested from His work*" (Genesis 2:2-3), not because He was tired, but in order to give us a template to follow. We are to rest one day in seven.

Sabbath is a gift of God's grace. God gave us the Sabbath to be a sanity saver and a soul satisfier. Sabbath is God's prescription for souls with motion sickness. Sabbath is God's permission to rest, given to all of us who feel we are living in overload mode. Sabbath gives us time to refuel our bodies and refresh our souls.

Sabbath is also a test of our faith. If we are to enjoy Sabbath we must live by faith. The element of faith is what distinguishes keeping Sabbath from having leisure. Sabbath has a God-ward orientation. We rest, not because all our work is done, but because we trust God. We believe that He will enable us to accomplish what is needed even when we take a day off.

We struggle at times to receive the gift of Sabbath. But often we find our souls and bodies do best when we live by the rhythm of the Sabbath, resting one day in seven.

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Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; and His greatness is unsearchable. Psalm 145:3

We serve a God who is great, far beyond our comprehension.  
His judgments – unsearchable  
(Romans 11:33b)

His ways – past finding out  
(Romans 11:33b)

His love – passes knowledge  
(Ephesians 3:19)

His peace – surpasses all  
understanding (Phil. 4:7)

His joy – unspeakable  
(1 Peter 1:8)

And His gift – indescribable  
(2 Cor. 9:15)

O tell of His might, O sing of His  
grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose  
canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep  
thunderclouds form,  
And dark is His path on the wings of  
the storm ....Robert Grant

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Elder on call this week, July 12–18  
Trevor Clark

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Can you help? Looking for  
transportation for Rupert Campbell  
(Billings Bridge area), on Sundays  
to bring him to church. If you can  
take on this ministry, or share with  
another individual, please speak  
with Marie Deslauriers.