

Don't Forget!

- Aug.04 Prayer Focus 7:30pm
- Aug. 06 Youth 7:30pm
- Aug.08 Communion
- Aug.11 Prayer Focus 7:30pm
- Aug. 13 Youth 7:30pm
- Aug. 15 Chris Barrett Navigators of Canada

This Week at a Glance

Monday, July 26

Kamp all week 9-4

Wednesday, July 28

Weekly Prayer Focus 7:30pm

Friday, July 30

Youth 7:30pm

Men's Canoe Trip

September 3-6, for more info see Trevor Clark. Extra gear available! Sign-up at the Welcome Centre.

*- from the family of the late late Victor Brown
Thank you so much for the flowers and condolences on our father's passing. It was so nice to see so many from the church at his funeral.*

Pam, Shirley and Loraine

Pastor Jim Drennan

July 25, 2010

Remedy for Your Troubled Heart

MM@TW series

John 14:1-14

Have you ever got to the point in your life where _____ ?

Jesus, the true Comforter!

14:1 - We can trust His *presence*

14:2-4 - We can trust His *promises*

14:5-7 - We can trust His *person*

So then, heart trouble **always** meets its' match when _____

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 25, 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.

Welcome

Worship: How Great is Our God?
Lord, I Lift Your Name on High
Your Name

Offering

Worship: All Who Are Thirsty
The Solid Rock #404

Message: "A Trouble-Free Heart" Pastor Jim Drennan

Closing: It is Well with My Soul #493
Like a River Glorious #494

There is a short Business meeting following this morning's service.

Next Sunday

Pastor Jim Drennan continues with MM@TW series

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THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION



Ceremony in Worship

Every faith has a number of set formats for worship. What is the role of such ceremony in your relationship to God?

Christians are told to regularly remember Christ's death by partaking of communion. Beyond this, the Bible does not prescribe a number of set formats for Christian worship. In fact, true worship is deeper than any format or ceremony. Jesus made that clear when He said, "*God is spirit and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth*". John 4:24

Think for a moment about what's involved in worshiping God "in spirit and in truth." Worshiping "in spirit" requires our worship to come from our hearts. True worship involves more than taking part in religious rituals. It's quite possible to sit through a church service without truly worshiping God. Our human spirit, aided and enlivened by God's Holy Spirit, must be engaged if we are to worship "in spirit."

Jesus also said worship must be done "in truth". This means worship is more than an emotional experience. To be genuine, worship must be grounded in truth. It must be based on God's word, which tells us truth (John 17:17). It must also be centered on God's Son, who embodies truth (John 14:6).

So the worship God seeks will engage both our hearts and our heads. If our worship is not done "in spirit" it becomes artificial and lifeless. If it is not done "in truth", it becomes subjective and shallow. When worship is done "in spirit and in truth", there is room for a wide variety of styles and ceremonies. Christian churches can legitimately differ in their feel and formats. Some will be more formal, others more informal. But they will be similar in the way they seek to approach God "in spirit and truth".

...."Ask the Religion Experts"

What People Say about Children's Ministry.....

Moses: Deut. 6:6-7
"And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart; you shall teach them diligently to your children and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down; and when you rise up."

Solomon: Psalm 127:3
"Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb of His reward."

Brandon Howse:
"The church in America needs to awaken to the fact that too many of our children have been 'taken captive' by secular and humanist thinking."

Barna Research Group:
"A Biblical world view must be both taught and caught – that is, it has to be explained and modeled...it is a long-term process that requires a lot of purposeful activity; teaching, prayer, conversation, and accountability..."

Jesus: Mark 9:37
"Whoever receives one of these little children in My Name receives Me..."

Mark 10:14
"Let the children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God." Mark 10:14