

A KINGDOM LOST AND GAINED
MATTHEW 22:1-14

SUNDAY, JULY 24TH, 2016

God's desire is to bless all mankind – *Matthew 22:2-3*

God's patience cannot be tampered with – *Matthew 22:5-7*

God's mercy extends to those who least deserve it – *Matthew 22:9-10*

God's standards cannot be compromised – *Matthew 22:12-13*

PRAISE & PRAYER

- **Pray** for our shut-ins: Lydia K and Selma S.
- **Pray** for Christoph & Andrea K who are members of our church, and work as Western Canada reps for Operation Mobilisation recruiting new candidates for OM mission work.
- **Pray** for workers at Camp Nutimik, that they would be strengthened and encouraged for their summer serving.
- **Pray** that Rowandalers would be witnesses for Christ in word and deed, wherever they are during this summer.

THIS MORNING:

It's a frustrating thing to have something within your grasp and then lose it and end up with nothing. It's even worse when the reason you lose it is because of something that you have done wrong. In May of 2013 the Toronto Maple Leafs blew a 4-1 lead in game 7 of the first playoff round which ended up with Boston Bruins advancing to the next round instead of Toronto. All they had to do was hang on for 15 minutes in the third period and the series was theirs. But they failed and set a record for the biggest playoff collapse in hockey. Not the kind of record you want with your name on it.

Jesus told a parable about some people who lost something they had in their grasp. It was a parable about a king who had invited them to a banquet for his son. The invitations were theirs, the opportunity was in their hand, but they either ignored it or frittered it away and the benefit was given to someone else. With the parable, Jesus was trying to warn the Jewish leaders that they were about to lose out on the benefits of the kingdom of God. But they refused to listen and suffered the consequences of that loss. This parable is also a warning to all of us to not presume on the good graces of God for the benefits he offers us in our own lives as well.



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Equipping and enabling disciples to make disciples

We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning. If you are a **Visitor** we ask you to sign a Guest Card and drop it in the offering plate so we can acknowledge your visit. Join us to Worship at 10:30 am.

A **staffed Nursery/Jr. Church** is provided for children from 6 months to age four. Please drop your children off in the nursery **no later than 10:45 am.**

ORDER OF SERVICE

- Opening Song
- Welcome & Announcements
- Worship in Song
- Scripture & Prayer
- Offering
- Worship in Song
- Message
- Closing Song
- Benediction

WORSHIP TEAM:

- Bev S
- Meaghan S
- Donna J
- Jonathan K

THANK YOU

A Thank You card from **TANYA & PAUL GERICKE** is posted on the bulletin board by the mailboxes. Tanya & Paul are missionaries in Romania whom we support. Please take a moment to read what they have to say..

ROWANDALE BAPTIST CHURCH

STATS FOR JULY 17TH, 2016

ATTENDANCE	161
GENERAL OFFERING.....	\$35,475
WEEKLY GOAL	\$9,760
GIVING TO DATE	\$275,701
BUDGET TO DATE	\$263,520

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Worship - 10:30 am
Bethsaida French
Fellowship - 1:30 pm

COMING UP

July 27 - Church Council Meeting @ 7 pm
July 31 - Worship @ 10:30 am
- Bethsaida French Fellowship @ 1:30 pm

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

We are pleased to announce the Banns of Marriage between **EDWARD H** and **MEAGHAN S** who will be married on August 6th at 12:00 noon at Rowandale Baptist Church. We pray God's blessing upon them on this special day!

BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Can you join us this fall on Fridays from approx. 8:00 to 9:15 am every 3 to 4 weeks, to serve breakfast to children on Fridays at Princess Margaret School? If you can, please see **ANDREA K.**



Please see the LIST OF POSITIONS STILL NEEDING TO BE FILLED THIS SUMMER which is posted on the bulletin board by the mailboxes.

In the event of a postal strike - you can still forward your Share-A-Wage support to the Church office or Dave Robinson (204-989-7018).

CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FORMS are available on the table in the lobby for those working at Camp this summer. Once completed please place in the Outreach mailbox.



BOOST

Keep a look out for fall events! If you want to hang out during the summer text Pastor Ben.

Young Adults

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27TH
GAMES & HANG-OUT NIGHT!
Come out to the P's for some board games, food and to hang-out around the fire pit. Starts at 6 pm.

SUMMER KIDS CLUB

AUGUST 15TH - 19TH

We still need people to volunteer for different positions. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the lobby. Also there are still **SEVERAL FLIERS AND MAPS** which need to be distributed to the area. If you can help out in any way, please see **JANELLE H.**

PASTORS AWAY

PASTOR BEN will be on vacation from July 29th to August 5th.

PASTOR JONATHAN will begin his five month leave-of-absence starting August 1st.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

Please make the following address change in your Phone Directory:
THIS INFORMATION NOT ON WEBSITE

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK



STUART STREETER
DISCIPLES CHURCH
FOLSOM, CALIFORNIA

Pastor Stu began Disciples Church in 2009, and it has since thrived. They moved into a new building in 2014 and started having two Sunday services last year. The church also travels to Guatemala twice a year. Pray for those who are traveling to Guatemala this week to work in the largest slum in Central America, La Limonada. They will be partnering with three different ministries while there. Ask God to use them to show love to the people in that community. For more information, visit <http://www.discipleschurch.net>.

MINISTRY OF THE WEEK

NEW LIFE MINISTRIES
WINNIPEG, MB

CURTIS HALBESMA
PASTOR

Senior Pastor: Rev. Mark Woods
Associate Pastor: Rev. Jonathan Kroeker
Youth Pastor: Ben Clouston
Office Administrator: Bev Sheridan