The Greenwise Gazette

Tending to Creation at Immanuel Anglican Church, Regina



Immanuel's Pollinator Garden

A few people braved the scorching hot weather on Saturday, June 18th to plant our Native Plant/Pollinator Garden. We were joined by several teens from the Wild Outside program.



The cardboard and then the tarp covering it, didn't kill the grass as

successfully as we had hoped. For the next section we'll try using a double layer of cardboard. We had quite a bit of work to get rid of all the grass and

weeds!

We had to work around the SaskPower and SaskTel lines that run underneath the garden.





Recycling Corner

At our Garage Sale June 23 – 25, we had a LOT of cassette tapes and VHS tapes donated. When the sale was over, we donated items to places like the Salvation Army, Carmichael House, the YWCA, etc. Did you know that if you want to dispose of these items, you SHOULD NOT just put them in the trash for the landfill – instead, take them to Best Buy. They will get them to a place where they can be properly recycled.

If you ever have a question about where to recycle just about anything, the Saskatchewan Waste Reduction Council has an online database that you can check. Access it at this link:

www.saskwastereduction.ca

Children's Garden

Our garden is growing! We have a great group of pre-schoolers on Tuesday mornings at 10 and school age kids on Wednesdays at 4. We've planted tomatoes, zucchini, cucumbers, spinach, beans, squash, eggplant, carrots, sunflowers, potatoes, cantaloupe, lettuce swiss chard, and beets.

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The people who removed the tree put all the branches into a chipper, and then we had them dump the pile of wood chips (aka

mulch) between the shed and the sea can. Now we can use the mulch for our garden projects!

The yard looks great now that the tree is gone!



Landscaping at Massey Road

In June, we arranged to have the diseased tree in our front yard removed. Here it is just near the beginning of the work.



Water Conservation

Next to air, water is the most important element for the preservation of life. Water is a finite commodity which, if not managed properly, will result in shortages. Water conservation can go a long way to help alleviate shortages. Last month we talked about how to check for leaky toilets. Here are some other ideas for you:

- Don't let the faucet run while you clean vegetables. Rinse your vegetables instead in a bowl or sink full of clean water.
- Water your garden or lawn in the cooler parts of the day. Early morning is better than dusk since it helps prevent the growth of fungus.
- Put a layer of mulch around trees and plants.
 Mulch slows the evaporation of moisture. You'll see that we've done that in our pollinator garden.

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