The Greenwise Gazette

Tending to Creation at Immanuel Anglican Church, Regina



Getting Ready for Spring

Immanuel has been getting ready for spring. Two additional garden beds were built on the front lawn in April, thanks to the hard work of Terry Gates, Terry Page, Dave Williams, and Ian Bailey. A shout-out also needs to go to Pat Hall for making this happen. The garden beds are part of our Mission and Outreach activities – helping in our small way to address food security issues in Regina.





If you are interested in helping with planting, maintenance, and harvesting with our garden beds, please contact Pat Hall at treasurer@immanuelanglicanregina.ca

Children's Garden

Our children's garden will be starting up again on Tuesday mornings at 10 am beginning May 14. We need some helpers this year, so please let Jenny Williams know if you can help out.



The Rain Barrels are all ready to go, and we have lots of plants we've been tending to. This year we are adding two additional rain barrels – to make a total of five. We are also going to try out using



a pump in one of them to make using the water even easier.

Earth Day April 22

This year our Sunday School students celebrated Earth Day on April 21st, talking about how we can take care of the world that God has given us. Our tweens group helped to re-purpose some old cards

using fabric scraps from the Caring Crafters – one small way for us to recognize ways to lengthen the life of items instead of just sending them to the landfill.



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Plant Sale

The Regina Horticultural Society is holding it's

annual plant sale on Saturday, May 18, from 9 am to 3 pm and the Victoria Square Shopping Centre. Members and sponsors donate plants to sell to the public. The sell a wide variety of bedding plants, perennials, bulbs and house plants.



Mosquito Repelling Plants

Now that spring is here, we can think about what to grow...here are some suggestions for plants that actually repel those pesky mosquitos!



Basil Geraniums Peppermint Rosemary Lemongrass Marigolds Garlic Lavender Catnip Lemonbalm

For more information check this LINK

DID YOU KNOW?

Comet cleanser powder is an all-purpose disinfectant



known for its versatility and "cleaning power." Though popular, Comet (and related products containing similar ingredients) has significant negative impacts on the environment *and* human health.

The Environmental Working Group gave Comet an F — their lowest rating — due to its serious environmental and health concerns.

In 2012, EWG conducted an air pollution test and

found Comet emitted 146 different chemicals, including "some that <u>have been linked to</u> cancer, asthma and reproductive disorders." Toxic chemicals such as formaldehyde, benzene, chloroform and toluene were also detected but not listed on the label as ingredients. Many of these toxic ingredients, especially bleach, contribute to water, air and soil pollution, disrupting ecosystems and harming wildlife on land and in the water.

Safeguard your health and the environment by using an eco-friendly alternative.

Have stuff you don't need anymore?

A perfect way to stop items from going to the landfill is to offer them to someone else who can use them. Immanuel is holding a **Garage Sale** on

June 27, 28, and 29. When you're doing your spring cleaning, save anything that you don't need any more for our Garage sale.





Remember to drop off your cans and bottles to help us with environmental projects at Immanuel. The code is our phone number **3065864420**. If you prefer to bring your cans and bottles to the church, just let Max in the office know, so we can get them to Sarcan.

In 2024 we hope to have enough money to expand our rain barrel system with some pumps.

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