

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Our Church family

- Pray for Tim Wiebe and family as they heal.
- Pray for strength and calm for those with parents in transition.

Our Community

- Pray for MC Manitoba Executive Director – Ken Warkentin and Canada General Secretary – Willard Metzger.

Our World

- Bill C-262 goes before Parliament for its second reading in November. If passed, this Bill will see that the laws of Canada are harmonized with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. To find out how Mennonite Church Canada is supporting Bill-C-262 and how you can help, see <http://pfir.ca/> . Please pray for healing and the promise of reconciliation between settlers and Indigenous people in this land. Postcards are on the lobby table.
- *If you would like to add or remove any prayer requests, please contact Dan Kehler or the church office.*

Altona Mennonite Church

Vision

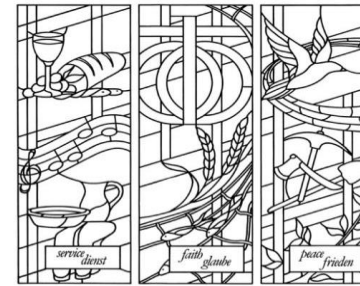
God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

Purpose

We seek to know God through Jesus, the centre of our faith.

We seek to follow God in community, through worship, fellowship, and interpreting the Scripture from a Christ-centred point of view, in the Anabaptist tradition.

We seek to obey God by working toward peace and reconciliation, in the spirit of Jesus, reconciling all people to God, to each other, and to the world around them.



Altona Mennonite Church

Sunday School – Adults & Children: 9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 am

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Who is my neighbour: Walking alongside our neighbours with disabilities

WE GATHER

Prelude

Hymn HWB #12 Come, let us all unite to sing

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Through Sarah, we met a God who heals.

People: God's healing comes in many ways.

Leader: Through Moses, we heard a God who stutters.

People: God works despite our mortal bodies.

Leader: Through Paul, we felt Christ in our weaknesses.

People: In tender places, Christ is often most present.

Leader: In Christ, God's body ached, wept, sweat blood, and was crucified.

People: Now this God carries our abilities and our limitations.

Leader: The image of God shines through and all around us.

People: Each of our bodies reflects the image of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn HWB #304 There are many gifts.

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Altona Mennonite Church is on Treaty One Territory.

WE LISTEN

Children's Story

Scripture Reading: Psalm 139:1-18

Video: *Psalm 139: A Reflector's Reading*

Hymn SS #106 Like a tender breath, stirring

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Sermon Shared Vulnerability Dan Kehler

WE RESPOND

Our own experience – Margruite Krahn

Response SS #200

Hymn SS #121 Nothing is lost on the breath of God

Sharing and Prayers of the people

Offering

WE GO FORTH

Hymn HWB #322 For we are strangers no more, vs. 1,2

Benediction followed by vs. 3

Postlude

Worship Leader: Nancy Neufeld

Song Leader: Marilyn Houser Hamm

Accompanist(s): Edna Zacharias

WORSHIP & MEETING EVENTS at AMC

Nov. 26 9:30 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service with Communion

Scripture: Psalm 71, Isaiah 46:3-4 *Theme:* Our Elderly

Neighbours Worship Leader: Dave Regehr *Song Leader:* Dave

Regehr *Accompanist(s):* Hildie Regehr *Sound:* Nathan Loewen

Coffee: Harry & Susan Klassen

Nov. 30 2:00 pm Worship Meeting

December 3 9:30 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service – First Advent

Food Bank, Coin Collection

Dec. 17 Sunday School Program in the morning service

Dec. 21 Longest Night Service at AMC

AMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Thank you for** visits, handshakes, hugs, sympathy cards and flowers in the recent homegoing of my sister Wilma. God bless you! Love, Sarah Sawatzky

- From the treasurer: 3 snapshots of our financial picture:

1. With just over 2 months left in 2017, we have received 63% of our budgeted revenue, and paid out 72% of our budgeted expenses.

2. We need almost \$59,000 in revenue to meet our budget.

3. As of October 25, after all cheques are cashed and designated revenue (including Sabbatical fund) is distributed, we will be almost \$12,000 into our line of credit.

- Henry Rempel has an important request. Due to his leukemia, his immune system is compromised. When you greet him in church, please refrain from handshakes or other contact. And if you are not feeling 100% yourself a friendly wave from a distance is appreciated.

- If you are interested in purchasing items for hygiene kits to be donated to the Refugee Reception Centre in Gretna, the items currently needed are Travel sized deodorant and shampoo, wash cloths and bath towels (approx. size 24 x 40 inches) Other items are in good supply. Contact Marge Friesen for details 204 327 5400

- For those of you who ordered them, the December – February Rejoice! books are in your mailboxes.

Birthdays: Nov. 23 – Lil Gerbrandt

Anniversaries:

COMMUNITY & MISC. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Eastview Place volunteer drivers needed ASAP:** We are in need of volunteer drivers for our Adult Day Program. The volunteers will be accompanied by an Eastview Place staff member to bring seniors to and from the care home. Volunteers work on a rotation basis and would be needed approximately three days a month (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) at 9:00 am and 2:50 pm. Please contact Jonathan Sawatsky at Eastview Place at 324-2375 for more information. We appreciate all of your support for our seniors in the community and would be grateful to have that continue through volunteer drivers.

- **November 21, 2 pm** - Altona Health Care Aux AGM will be held Tuesday in the Altona Health Centre Multi-Purpose Room. Guest speaker Linda Braun. All are welcome.

- **November 24** - Interested in **studying at CMU**? Join us for Campus Visit Day. See cmu.ca/campusvisit for more details. Apply before Nov. 30 and have your application fee waived. See cmu.ca/apply.

- **November 24, 7:30 pm Exhibition openings:** Carolyn Mount and Tracy Fehr. MHC Gallery, 600 Shaftesbury Blvd., CMU south campus. Nov. 24 – Jan. 20.

Along the Road to Freedom: Mennonite women of courage and faith BOOK now available. www.commonword.ca or Connie Wiebe 204 487 3300, ext 344 or cwiebe@cmu.ca

- **November 30 – December 2 @ 7:30 pm** - Cottonwood Community Drama presents “Murder Takes the Veil”, at Buhler Hall in Gretna. For tickets visit www.mciblues.net.

- **December 3, 7 pm** - The choir of First Mennonite Church, 922 Notre Dame Ave, with a small orchestra under the direction of Yuri Klaz, invite you to their Advent Concert featuring Vivaldi's Gloria as well as smaller works by Dvorak and Pergolesi. Admission is free; a donation will be taken.

Check the bulletin board for more info on these...

- Newsletters / updates / Concerts

- **xplore KEEP THINKING-** CMU 6 week enrichment programs.

- Nov. 25 – MCC Christmas Craft & Bake sale at the Plaza Drive location.

- December 7 – Book launch at CMU