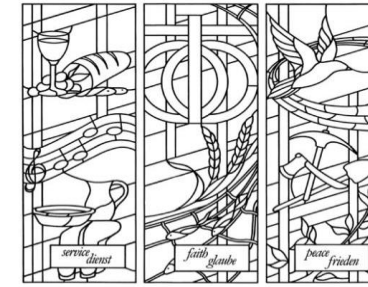


- **NAIITS** is an Indigenous Learning Community that hosts annual theological gatherings intended for young and older, pastors and activists. Mennonite Church Canada's Indigenous-Settler Relations would like to help sponsor a group of women and men from across our nationwide church to attend this year's symposium on "White Supremacy and Indigeneity," June 7-9, 2018 @ Acadia Divinity College (Nova Scotia). *Sponsorships will help cover the cost of registration and food.* If you are interested, please email Steve Heinrichs for details (sheinrichs@mennonitechurch.ca).

- *If you would like to add or remove any prayer requests, please contact Dan Kehler or the church office.*



Altona Mennonite Church

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

Check the bulletin board for more info on these...
- Newsletters / updates

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Our Church family

- Pray for Tim Wiebe and family as they heal.

Our Community

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

Our World

- **Christian Peacemaker Teams (CPT)** is a grassroots organization that seeks to transform situations of violence and oppression through partnerships rooted in creative non-violence. On behalf of our nationwide church, Indigenous-Settler Relations director, Steve Heinrichs, is a member of CPT's Steering Committee. Currently, the committee is working together to strengthen CPT's administrative organization. Please pray for the Steering Committee as they seek to nurture the ongoing sustainability of CPT's mission while remaining committed to the liberating gospel values and vision of the organization.

- Bock Ki Kim and Sook Kyoung Park (Witness workers – South Korea) are encouraged by the small group meeting in Seoul every Sunday (of which Bock Ki is part). Group members enjoy reading, studying and sharing together their lives through the Gospel of John. The group hopes to serve as a seed bed for the formation of a worshipping community in the future. We pray along with Bock Ki and Sook Kyoung that this will indeed be so!

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.*

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*Epiphany: Season of Light.
The true light that gives light to everyone
was coming into the world. John 1:9*

Prelude

Call to Worship (from 1 Samuel 3:9)

Leader: " speak Lord, for your servant is listening."

All: " speak Lord, For your servant is listening."

Silence

Reading as a prayer: Psalm 139:1-6

Hymns HWB #16 God is Here Among Us

HWB #599 He Leadeth Me

Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Sermon An epiphany in the Season of Epiphany Dan Kehler

Hymn STS #39 Will You Come and Follow Me

Offering and offertory

Reading: Psalm 139:13-18

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Pastor: Dan Kehler

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Altona Mennonite Church is on Treaty One Territory.

Sending

Hymn -114 STS God Has Chosen Me

Announcements and greeting one another

Worship Leader: Margruite Krahn

Song Leader: Gina Enns

Accompanist(s): Sylvia Klassen

AMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A sincere thank you for the caring messages, prayers, and cards we received. Thanks also to those who attended my mom's funeral service. We appreciate your thoughtfulness, Marilyn and Albert Bergen

- Due to several end of year on line donations, plus the Dec. 31 worship service donations, we received enough to meet all our expenses and obligations. Thanks to all who gave generously in 2017

- Reminder that if you wish to donate to AMC online from the Credit Union, go to Payments – Add Payee – Altona Mennonite Church. Your home phone number is your account number.

- Would you come to a **Shrove Tuesday pancake supper** on Feb 13? Would there be interest? Contact Andrea or indicate on the form on the table in the foyer.

- **Plastics bags:** youth class would like your plastics bags. Please leave in the box in the foyer.

- **AMC's directory** will be updated in the next few weeks. If you need to add or change any info, let the office know.

Birthdays: Jan. 14 – Tim Wiebe; Jan. 15 – Sylvia Klassen; Jan. 19 – Dave Regehr, Ken Hamm

WORSHIP & MEETING EVENTS at AMC

Jan. 21 9:30 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

Scripture: Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:5-12; 1 Cor. 7:29-31;

Mark 1:14-20 *Theme:* Trust God *Worship Leader:* June

Schwartz *Song Leader:* Kevin Neufeld *Accompanist(s):* Nancy

Ratzlaff *Sound:* Perry Batchelor *Coffee:* Ray & Doreen Mierau

Jan. 25 2:30 pm Sin of Certainty Book Study

Jan. 28 9:30 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

Feb. 11 Afternoon – Annual General Meeting

COMMUNITY & MISC. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Full-time CHAPLAIN for Eastview Personal Care Home and The Apartments @ The Gardens on Tenth in Altona, MB. Qualifications: education and/or experience in religious guidance, ministry, chaplaincy, needs of the elderly. Ministering in a predominantly Anabaptist faith community. Apply by Feb 1, 2018 by sending resume and cover letter to: Box 900, Altona, MB, R0G0B0 or admin@gardensontenth.ca. For job description and more details: www.gardensontenth.ca (including RHA – Eastview on our website).

- Go to the MCC Manitoba website and read their picks for the top stories of 2017. MCC does good work!

- **Camps with Meaning Summer Leadership** applications are due January 19, 2018. Applications and job descriptions are on the website for you or a young adult you think should apply. Please visit www.campswithmeaning.org to learn more about this unique summer ministry owned by your church.

- **Camp Assiniboia** is in need of a volunteer nurse for the upcoming ADV Winter Retreat, February 21-23, 2018. Please contact the Camps with Meaning office at [204-895-2267](tel:204-895-2267) or camps@mennochurch.mb.ca

- **January 30, 7 pm** - The public is invited to '**Science as a Way of Knowing: the Pursuit of Truth in a Post-Truth World**' with Dr. Rick Lindroth in Marpeck Commons (2299 Grant Ave.). Dr. Lindroth, Professor of Ecology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, is the 2018 CMU Scientist in Residence. For more information, including other addresses by Dr. Lindroth, see cmu.ca/sir.

- **February 5, 7 pm** CMU's **Face2Face** Community in Conversation Series continues in Marpeck Commons. '**The Bible Tells Me so...Doesn't It? A Conversation with Young Adults on the Tensions of Taking Scripture Seriously**'. Join five CMU Undergraduate students from diverse Christian traditions in a conversation about the Bible and how we approach and discern its significance in our lives. See cmu.ca/face2face for details.

- **February 6-7 - ReNew 2018** - Delighting in Scripture, *Sola Scriptura* at 500 Years @ Canadian Mennonite University. Schedule on bulletin board. To register: www.cmu.ca/renew

- **Mennonite Disaster Service** would like to invite you to their All-Unit Meeting in Winkler, MB on Feb 9-10. This event is a time of sharing and celebration of the work of MDS the past year. For more information or to register please visit our website, mds.mennonite.net/all-unit-meeting/ or call us at [1-866-261-1274](tel:1-866-261-1274).

- **Ted & Co TheatreWorks** is coming to Winnipeg on Sunday, Feb 11th at 6:30 pm at Douglas Mennonite to present "**Boots, Buckets & Barrows**". This is Dessert night and Fundraiser put on by Mennonite Disaster Service. Tickets are \$10 and can be reserved by calling the MDS Office at [204 261 1274](tel:204-261-1274).

- **February 10, 2018** - Recovery of Hope Counselling, together with the Neufeld Institute – Manitoba Chapter, is proud to announce that **Dr Gordon Neufeld, author of "Hold On to Your Kids: Why Parents Need to Matter More Than Peers," is coming to Morden on Saturday, Feb 10, 2018** to deliver a new full-day workshop called "**Keeping Children Safe in a Wounding World.**" Parents, educators, youth workers and caregivers will be interested to learn from Dr. Neufeld, one of Canada's leading developmental psychologists, as he uncovers the keys to helping children thrive while living in a wounding world. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit www.edenhealthcare.ca or call [1-866-493-6202](tel:1-866-493-6202).