

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Our Church family

- Pray for those for whom mental health makes daily life a struggle.
- Mike Tarnick has been diagnosed with an inoperable abdominal aortic aneurysm. Pray for peace and strength.

Our Community

- Pray for Ken Warkentin (MCM's Executive Minister), Henry Paetkau (MC Canada's interim Executive Minister) and all our church leaders at all levels of our conference.

Our World

- Thailand Anabaptist Gathering (Oct. 8 - 12) a gathering of Mennonite mission agencies and local Christians to celebrate Jesus Christ through their shared Anabaptist theology and distinctive unique in the South East Asian context. Tom & Christine Poovong (MC Canada Witness workers) will be attending, as well as Jason Martin (MC Canada Director, International Witness). Cesar Garcia (MWC) will be the key note speaker this year. Pray that all participants will be inspired for continued ministry in South East Asia.

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

From the Pastor:

Next week is the Thanks Giving weekend. The *Being 'one another'* text is from Ephesians 5:19 "Be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Singing together is an important part of being one another together in worship and as a caring community. Music has the power to speak to our hearts in wonderful and mysterious ways. Time will be given for favorite hymns in our worship. Suggestions are encouraged but you must be willing to share why you're chosen hymn is special to you and in what context it became a favorite. Submissions are welcome during the week. You can send them to the church email. There will also be opportunity for spontaneity in suggesting favorites in the service. (Mennonites love planned spontaneity!) So lets us prepare to speak to each other with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit as we give thanks to God the Father for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Being 'One Another'

We will take a closer look at several "one another" texts found throughout the New Testament. We invite you to sit with these texts, read deeper, and if you feel led, respond. Your response might take the form of poetry, song, visual art, or another form. If you would be interested in sharing your response during a church service, sent through email, or in the bulletin, please contact Lori Dueck, loridueck@gmail.com.

- Oct. 7 - Thanks Giving – Speak to One Another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs – Ephesians 5:19
- Oct. 14 – Offer hospitality to one another – 1 Peter 4:9-10

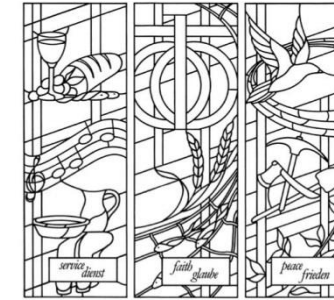


Altona Mennonite Church Vision

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 center of our faith.
We seek to follow God in community, through worship, fellowship, and interpreting the Scripture from a Christ-centered 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

Christian Formation & Education - all ages: 9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 am

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Being 'One Another'

GATHERING AS A GLOBAL COMMUNITY IN CHRIST JESUS

Prelude

Call to Praise

Leader: This is the place and this is the time;
here and now God waits to break into our experience;

People North: *To change our minds,*

People South: *To change our lives,*

People North: *To change our ways.*

People South: *To make us see the world*

ALL: And the whole of life in a new light.

Leader: To fill us with hope and with joy
in God's abiding presence with us now, and always.

People: This is the place,

Leader: as are all places,

People: This is the time,

Leader: as are all times, Here and now,

ALL: Let us praise God.

*(adapted from Caribbean prayer for
World Communion Sunday 2018)*

Hymn HWB #96 We plow the fields and scatter

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Welcoming One Another/ Passing the Peace

Hymn HWB #6 Here in this place

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Altona Mennonite Church is on Treaty One Territory.

HEARING THE WORD/HEARING THE WORLD

Children's Time

NT Scripture: I Corinthians 11: 17-34

Song SJ #3 Jesus calls us here to meet him

Message 'Please wait for me' Pastor Dan Kehler

COMING TO CHRIST'S TABLE

Hymn HWB #477 For the bread

Prayer

Service of Communion

Hymn HWB #472 I am the Bread of life

RESPONDING IN LOVE

Scripture: Galatians 3:28

Prayers of the Church

Offering

Blessing & Table Grace

Hymn HWB #118

Sharing the Thanksgiving Meal

all are invited to the lower level for our Thanksgiving Meal

Worship Leader: Marilyn Houser Hamm

Song Leader: Gina Enns

Accompanist(s): Nancy Ratzlaff

WORSHIP & MEETING EVENTS at AMC

Today Join us for Thanksgiving Lunch following the service

Oct. 1 7:30 pm Women's coffee and discussion

Oct. 7 8:45 am Meet to rehearse for Eastview/Gardens

9:30 am Christian Education

11:00 am Worship Service

Food Bank and Coin Collection

Scripture: Ephesians 5:19 *Theme:* Thanks Giving – Speak to One Another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs *Worship*

Leader: Dan Kehler *Song Leader:* Lori Hiebert

Accompanist(s): Loren Hiebert *Sound:* Perry Batchelor

Coffee: Don & Ang Enns

Oct. 14 9:30 am Christian Education

11:00 am Worship Service

Oct. 16 7:00 pm Formation Meeting

AMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays: Oct. 3 – Mark Sawatzky; Julia Thiessen Dyck;

Oct. 6 – Sam Kehler

Anniversaries:

COMMUNITY & MISC. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Sunday, September 30th at 7:00 pm** the Gretna Bergthaler Mennonite Church will host Kerry Sanger-Harvey, the Mennonite Central Committee's Indigenous Neighbours Program Coordinator. In light of the recent set up of the Spirit of the Buffalo Camp just outside Gretna, we have invited Kerry to come speak with us about the importance of reconciliation and how it connects with our faith as well as answer any questions we might have. We hope to see you there!

- **October 2, 7 pm Emerging Perspectives Series at CMU, Marpeck Commons** Rehearsing Scripture: Discovering God's Word in Community with Dr. Anna Carter Florence. There is also a worksop on Wednesday morning. See poster for remaining info.

October 4 from 1:30 – 3:30 - The Eastview Place Fall Bazaar- Join us for an afternoon of coffee and dainties, the best bake sale in Altona, and enter the raffles for wonderful prizes from local businesses and our draw for a quilt, spa package and clothing rack. All proceeds go to improving the audio and video equipment for the residents at Eastview Place. We hope to see you there! **Needed: eight items for the Bake Sale and four pans of dainties for the Silver Tea.** Any finished craft items, plants, preserves and jams you would like to donate to the Bazaar would be greatly appreciated as well. Donated goods should be dropped-off at the East entrance on the morning of the Bazaar.

- **Stories from Syria** – Join us in Altona or Winnipeg for first-hand stories from Rahaf Abdo, a Syrian who has lived through the prolonged conflict and dedicated herself to helping those around her. At Seeds Church (116 Main St, Altona) on October 9 at 7 pm or at Sam's Place (159 Henderson Hwy, Winnipeg) on October 11 at 7 pm. Find more information and let us know you're coming at mccmb.ca/events or by calling 204-261-6381.

- **October 10, 9 am – 4pm, Eden Health Care Services** is presenting a Lecture Series entitled 'Faces of Homelessness, Discover the Hidden Homeless in our Communities'. Registration/Check-in begins at 8 am and presentations are from 9 – 4. See poster on the bulletin board or go to edenhealthcare.ca for more information and to purchase tickets.

- **October 10, 7:00 PM, Face2Face, Whose Neighbour Am I? Treaty One and Mennonite Privilegium.** Join Niigaan Sinclair and Hans Werner as together we explore stories of Indigenous and Mennonite peoples that have been woven together through 150 years of Canadian settlement patterns. See cmu.ca/events.

- **Fri., Oct. 12, 7:30 pm.** MHC Gallery 20th anniversary exhibition celebration/fundraiser, Program, CMU chapel, reception MHC Gallery, 600 Shaftesbury Blvd. MHC Gallery Facebook for details. RSVP swolfe@cmu.ca

- **Oct. 14, 2:30 pm** - Come and enjoy an afternoon of Ukrainian traditional dances featuring the Arborg Reechka Ukrainian Dance Club. This is a fund-raising event for the Mennonite Centre in Molochansk, Ukraine, in Buhler Hall, Gretna. Admission is by donation to: Friends of the Mennonite Centre in Ukraine. Coffee and dainties to follow.

- **October 18, 7 pm** - You are invited to attend *The Gardens on Tenth* Annual General Meeting in The Gardens MPR. Your board representative will be looking for delegates to represent your church so please talk to him/her if you are interested.

- **Oct. 27 or 28 - Camps with Meaning Celebration Fundraising Banquets.** All proceeds will help get kids to camp. October 27, 5:30PM, Emmanuel Mennonite Church, Winkler; October 28, 5:30PM, Douglas Mennonite Church. Please consider hosting a table (ie. making sure your friends attend). Contact our office to reserve your free tickets and perhaps commit to hosting. 204-895-2267.

-CMU's **Xplore +55 program** offers courses at the intersection of faith and life. Go to cmu.ca/xplore for information, or check out the poster on the bulletin board.

Check Bulletin Board for Posters about...

- **Oct. 11** – MEDA Fundraising Banquet with Matt Falk!

- Bible Land Israel Tour Feb.5-14/19

- **Nov. 19** – The Taylors – concert in Wpg