

Our World

- Please pray for **Bock Ki and Sook Kyoung** (MC Canada Witness workers – South Korea) to have wisdom, passion, and a joyful spirit as they are involved with preaching, leading lectures, workshops and seminars, translating Anabaptist books and materials, writing essays, teaching English and equipping people as Anabaptist leaders in South Korea.

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

From the Pastor:

Today we enter Ordinary Time. In the cycle of the Christian calendar it is the days of the year that are not Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, or Easter. Ordinary Time starts the Sunday after Pentecost and ends on the Sunday before Advent. The liturgical color for in Ordinary Time is green. While called "ordinary" it is not meant to be viewed as the opposite of special or "extraordinary." Every day is a gift from God and therefore special and holy time. The Ordinarity of this time refers to the time of everyday living of the Christian life. In the Latin title, *Tempus Ordinarium*, means "measured time." For the Church, all of the days of Ordinary Time are for hallowing the everyday life of Christians. Our worship calls us to reflect on our Christian living in Ordinary time.

You are invited to participate in our ordinary time worship by bringing an item from your ordinary life that reflects how you experience the presence of God's spirit in your ordinary average daily life. Time will be given to share about your item and it can join the other items on the communion table as our visual element for worship.

Prayer:

May you be found today, in unexpected places by unsuspecting people going about their daily lives.

May you be found today, in predictable places by inquisitive people searching for a different life. May you be found today, Lord!

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Ordinary Time

Gathering

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Hymn HWB #340 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus

Prayer of Invocation (in unison)

Almighty God, we acknowledge our need for you in our lives. May we be open to your activity in this time of worship, in our lives, and in the world. Quiet our busy thoughts and distracted attention so that we can be still and know that you are God. Lead us by your Spirit to be disciples of Jesus, in whose name we pray, Amen.

Hymn HWB #580 My life flows on

Listening

Scripture: John 20: 24-29

Special Music "He looked Beyond My Fault"

Hymn HWB #493 I heard the voice of Jesus say

Scripture: Revelation 1: 1-8

Special Music "As We Sail to Heaven's Shore"

Sermon "I Doubt It..." Greg Costen

Responding

Hymn HWB #336 When peace, like a river

Offering Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Sending

Hymn HWB #599 He leadeth me

Benediction

Postlude

Worship Leader: Mary Costen

Song Leader: Mary Costen

Accompanist(s): Hildie Regehr

Worship & Meeting Events at AMC

July 7 10:30 am Worship Service

Scripture: Psalm 16; Galatians 5:1,13-25; Luke 9:51-62 *Theme:* Seize the day *Worship Leader:* Elaine Loewen *Song Leader:* Kevin Neufeld
Accompanist(s): Edna Zacharias *Sound:* Greg Heinrichs

July 14 10:30 am Worship Service

July 21 10:30 am Worship Service

AMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Worship Service moves to 10:30 am until after the September long weekend.**

- Ushers have not been scheduled for the summer months. We would ask that any usher in attendance on any given Sunday to fulfill this role. Thank you!
- Marlene Wiebe is asking for help with cleaning/sorting/moving on July 6 beginning around 11:30 am. Bring empty boxes if you can, come in your truck if you have one.

Birthdays: July 1 – Mark Ratzlaff; July 2 – Steve Penner, Mary Costen; July 3- Cheryll Giesbrecht

Anniversaries: June 30 – Kerry & Gina Enns; July 1 – Paul & Margruite Krahn

LOCAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Wednesdays until the end of September** – The Station (YFC) has a fundraising BBQ, 11:30 – 1:30 pm, across from Canadian Lumber Timber Mart. Combos begin at \$5.

WIDER COMMUNITY & MISC. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Serious need for a health officer at Camp Koinonia, July 7-12** - We really need a Health Officer for the week of July 7-12 at Koinonia. If you can help us find someone to do even part of the week, that could be immensely helpful. Please contact Janet at jpeters@mennochurch.mb.ca or 204-895-CAMP. Health officers are also needed July 28-Aug 2, and August 18-23 at Camp Assiniboia. Please contact the office at 204-895-2267 or camps@mennochurch.mb.ca or more info.

- **Learning Tour:** This fall, join MCC on an eye-opening opportunity to hear from grassroots peacebuilders within the Palestinian and Israeli community. Dates are Nov. 1-13, 2019. Find out more by contacting Brad Reimer at 204-261-6381 or bradreimer@mccmb.ca.

GOLF TOURNAMENTS / BIKE-A-THONS

- Dust off your clubs and bring your friends to MCC Manitoba's 17th annual Golf Tournament on **July 10 at Bridges Golf Course** for a Texas Scramble Tournament. Proceeds will support Sam's Place and provide youth and young adults with opportunities to develop skills and confidence for the workplace. Register and find out more at mccmb.ca/Golf. **Only 12 spots remain!**

- **July 13 – Visit the Villages Tractor Trek** – fundraising for Eden Foundation. www.edenhealthcare.ca or 325-5355.

Poster on bulletin board.

- On **Saturday, July 20th** participate or support a cyclist in the 35km Cycle Clear Lake fundraising event that tackles the trail encircling Clear Lake in Riding Mountain National Park. Register and find out more at mccmb.ca/CycleClearLake.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Our Church family

- Pray for those for whom mental health makes daily life a struggle.
- Pray for those who experience physical pain, and for friends and family who help with care.
- Marianne Braun moved to Ebenezer this week. Pray that she settles in.
- Pray for our elderly members who are lonely and would appreciate visits.

Our Community

- Pray for Ken Warkentin (MCM's Executive Minister), and all our church leaders at all levels of our conference.
- Pray for Doug Klassen (Mennonite Church Canada's Executive Minister).
- **Established in 1905, Lowe Farm Bergthaler Mennonite Church** has served Lowe Farm for nearly 115 years. Like many farming communities our membership numbers have been declining and we ask prayers for renewal and growth. A positive outcome from being a smaller congregation is a greater intergenerational involvement in worship. We are excited about new students from the community joining our Sunday School and ask for prayers that God would continue to bless and nurture this crucial ministry. We ask for wisdom and to be filled with godly passion so our light would shine brightly and proclaim God's glory in the world.

- ***This week our Nationwide Church gathers in Abbotsford, B.C., for Gathering 2019, June 28 to July 1.*** We ask for prayer for all the folks involved: the delegates and MC Canada staff who will attend the Delegate Session on Saturday morning; the Worship Team who will lead us through the weekend; our guest speaker Dr. Elaine Heath; the folks giving workshops, leading excursions, and sharing Firestarter Stories; the planners; and all of the registrants who are coming to participate. May everyone find the weekend enriching, challenging, and inspiring.