

WIDER COMMUNITY & MISC. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Come ride Eden Foundation's Head for the Hills fund-raiser on Saturday, September 7th starting at Morden's Colert Beach. Two routes to choose from. Full details at edenhealthcare.ca.

- **We are ALL treaty people.** Join MCC Manitoba staff at the annual We Are All Treaty People Celebration on Sept. 15. **Come out to build and celebrate relationships and raise awareness around Treaty One!**

Event details: 1 - 4 pm at the Forks on the field near the Provencher Bridge, Featuring Tracy Bone, Christine Fellows, Warrior Women's Drum Circle and Treaty Commissioner. Free food, music, games, dancing and art. Craft vendors on site. Family activities include puppet making and crafts. Picnic blankets provided. Bring your own lawn chair. To find out more contact Kerry Saner-Harvey at 204-925-1911 or kerrysanerharvey@mccmb.ca or visit mccmb.ca/Events.

- **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.

- **September 26, 2019 – 6 – 9 pm**, 55th Annual Meeting of the Members of the Mennonite Central Committee(MCC) Manitoba will be held at the Steinbach Mennonite Brethren Church, 340 2 St, Steinbach, MB R5G 0T7

- **Ride for Refuge** is on October 5, 2019. Join friends and families across Canada to bike or walk and raise financial support for ministry around the world. Support a Mennonite Church Canada International Witness Worker. For more information, visit <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/Ride2019>.

- Douglas Mennonite Church, 1517 Rothesay St., is hosting **Faith in Form**, a Christian arts festival, on Oct. 5. Writing, visual art and film, featuring Sarah Klassen and Sally Ito, 12-6pm free. Music: Carlos and the Suspiroes / Jesse Krause, 7:30-9:30 \$15. See faithinformwinnipeg.com or find them on Facebook for more info.

- **Camp Asisinboia Square Dance and Pie Spectacular Fundraiser.** Come out to the camp to move to the old-timey music, or simply explore, hangout, and win a pie. Also, help raise funds for the camp if you're able. October 5, 2019.

6:30pm. Contact Elizabeth at the camp office if you can donate pies. 204-895-2267 or camps@mennochurch.mb.ca

- **SAVE THE DATE.** MHC Gallery annual fundraiser, Fri. Oct. 18, 7:30pm, 600 Shaftesbury Blvd. RSVP to swolfe@cmu.ca.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Prayer for 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.

- Pray for our elderly members in the hospital and the care home who are lonely and would appreciate visits.

Prayer for 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).

Prayer for Our World

- Due to war, poverty, and the impacts of climate change, thousands of migrants have fled in these last years to Lesbos—a Greek island located near Turkey. Some described the Lesbos refugee camps "as the worst on earth." Migrants face not only overcrowded, unsanitary, and impoverished living conditions, but many are also charged by the Greek government with hefty fines and lengthy prison sentences. Since 2014, CPT's Lesbos Team has advocated for those suffering and built partnerships to transform violence on Europe's external borders. Please pray for strength and resilience for the Lesbos Team. Follow them on Facebook: www.facebook.com/CPTLesvos.

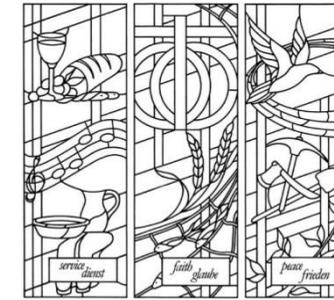
If you would like to add or remove any prayer requests, please contact Dan Kehler or the church office.

Prayer for Ordinary Time:

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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Altona Mennonite Church

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

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Prelude

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Call to Worship

Hymn HWB #50 Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah

Scripture: Psalm 104: 1-3a; 19-30 Antiphonal Reading

Leader: Praise the Lord, my soul. Lord my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.

Left: The Lord wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches out the heavens like a tent.

Right: He lays the beams of his upper chambers on their waters. He makes the clouds his chariot. He made the moon to mark the seasons, and the sun knows when to go down.

Leader: You bring darkness, it becomes night, and all the beasts of the forest prowl. The lions roar for their prey and seek their food from God.

Left: The sun rises, and they steal away; they return and lie down in their dens. Then people go out to their work, to their labor until evening.

Right: How many are your works, Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. There is the sea, great and wide, in which are innumerable living things, both small and large animals.

Leader: There the ships go, and leviathan, whom you formed to play there.

These all wait for you, that you may give them their food in due season.

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Left: You give to them; they gather. You open your hand; they are satisfied with good.

Right: You hide your face: they are troubled; you take away their breath: they die, and return to the dust.

All: You send forth your Spirit: they are created. You renew the face of the ground.

Prayer of confession and dedicating our lives to God:

Hymn HWB #369 Lord Whose Love in Humble Service
Children's Story
Offering
Prayer, Sharing Prayer Concerns

Scripture: Matthew 20:1-16

Hymn HWB #493 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Sermon "Eight hours for work, Eight hours for rest,
Eight hours for what we will! Pastor Dan Kehler

Hymn HWB #592 Love Divine, All Love's Excelling Vs 1-3;
Benediction

Love Divine, Vs 4

Postlude

Worship Leader: Marlene Wiebe
Song Leader: Dave Regehr
Accompanist(s): Hildie Regehr

Worship & Meeting Events at AMC

Sept. 8 9:30 am Christian Education Resumes

11:00 am Worship Service

followed by lunch after the service – see announcement

Speaker: Dan Kehler *Scripture:* 2 Kings 4:42:44; Psalm 145:10-19; Ephesians 3:13-21; John 6:1-21 *Theme:* Bread of Life – Feeding of the five thousand *Worship Leader:*

Andrea Hildebrand *Song Leader:* Kevin Neufeld

Accompanist(s): Gina Enns *Sound:* Perry Batchelor

Sept. 15 9:30 am Christian Education

11:00 am Worship Service

Sept. 22 AMC presents service at Eastview/Gardens

Sept. 29 Kathleen Rempel-Boschman, Palliative Care coordinator at Concordia will present the Anabaptist response to Medical Assistance in Dying

AMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMC Sunday school is calling you - If you'd like to help us out a bit or a block of time, we'd love to have you!

-Our primary class of 5 children is looking one part-time or one Sunday a month teacher

-Youth Sunday school is looking for a sub to help out when the teacher is not available

If you'd like to plug in somehow to be a part of our "faith nurturing" team, please contact Lorraine Heinrichs. we are open to suggestions

September 8 – Christian Education begins at 9:30 am, Worship service begins at 11 am. AND we will celebrate the beginning of the Sunday School year by eating together after the service on September 8. Please bring sandwiches, salad or veggies, and dessert, for your family and to share. If you can bring any food from your garden or farmers market, that would be great. Group 2 is on set up and Group 4 on clean up.

From the treasurer: At the end of July, which is approximately 58% of the year, we have received about 42% of our budgeted income. This means we are about \$27,000 behind in our budgeted giving. Payments to Conference and affiliates, and the Sabbatical fund have not been made for this quarter. Please consider giving generously. Thank you.

- New email address for Lori Hiebert is lorichiebert@gmail.com. Please update your contact list. Thanks.

- New email address for Nathan & Kareena Loewen is as follows. natkar2loew@outlook.com

- **Our worship theme throughout the fall will be *The Bread of Life*.** We hope to have a different type of bread each Sunday to share in the foyer before we enter the sanctuary. Our hope would be to share many different types of bread, from traditional loaves to pita and so on. If you would like to provide the bread for one Sunday, please contact a member of the worship committee: Lori Dueck, Marilyn Houser Hamm or Marne Mireau Friesen.

Birthdays: Sept. 2 – Barb Wiebe; Sept. 3 – Ang Enns, Margaret Rempel

- **Congratulations** to Rebekah Krahn and Travis Hare who were married in Nova Scotia on August 17, 2019.

LOCAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Southern Manitoba Choral Society** invites singers to join us on Tuesdays this fall for a season of singing. Christmas concert will be December 14 & 15. First rehearsal is September 10, 7:00-9:00 in the WC Miller Collegiate music room. Registration is \$35.

- Somaya's brother and family will be arriving, hopefully mid-September. There are 5 children. Since our church was involved with Khalil and Somaya, some might be interested in getting involved with this new family.

There is a list in the foyer for items AMC is being asked to provide and another list for other items that is being distributed to more churches. Elaine Loewen will also accept money in order to purchase the items on the list.

- **October 8 – 8 am, Winkler's Quality Inn.** - Eden's Dr. Clarence H. Labun Lecture Series (1 day workshop) will be exploring the relationship between Addictions and Mental Health. When helping people with mental health challenges, alcohol and drugs are often used as a means to cope which can make the symptoms worse. Alcohol and other drugs sometimes play a role in the development of disorders or symptoms. Our presenters will share their professional expertise related to these issues. The registration fee for the day is \$50. Check-in on Tuesday October 8th begins at 8 a.m. with the lectures beginning promptly at 9 a.m. **Lunch is not provided** during the event but sufficient time is allotted in order that attendees can choose from a number of eating establishment in the immediate area. Call 204-325-5355 to register.

- **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.

- **Xplore** offers six-week courses that investigate dimensions of the Christian faith, our world, and life in it. All without any assignments or examinations! Fall courses in Winkler (Thursdays from 9:00 – 10:00 and 10:30 – 11:30 am) include **Exploring the Book of Acts; Mental Health and Wellness Through the Journey of Aging; What the Church Believes: Five Theological Themes; Canaan-Israel-Palestine: Land of Occupation and Conflict.** See cmu.ca/explore.