
Mennonite Church Manitoba...News....Notes....

Camps with Meaning online registration is open! This is our ministry together as Mennonite Church Manitoba. Please visit www.campswithmeaning.org to register for summer camp. We want all families to afford camp. Note our new Campership Fund, which assists families at a much higher level than before.

Job Opening: Camps with Meaning Camps with Meaning is accepting applications for the Guest Service Coordinator position at Camp Assiniboia. The Guest Service Coordinator is responsible for booking, coordinating and hosting our guest groups and volunteers. This is a renewable 0.8 term position (excluding summer months). The application deadline is February 26, 2018. Go to www.campswithmeaning.org "News" for further information.

Job Opening: Mennonite Church Canada (Wpg. office) invites applications for the position of Executive Assistant to the Executive Director. See <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/jobs> for details. Applications are open now and will be considered until a suitable candidate is found. The start date will be arranged with the suitable candidate, as soon as possible.

Mennonite Central Committee Manitoba News....Notes....

MCC Canada welcomes applications for Records Manager (12 month term) based in Winnipeg. Applications are accepted until February 19, 2018. For more information and to apply, please visit mcccanada.ca/records-manager

Green thumb? The annual plant sale supporting the work of MCC is coming up May 25-26, 2018. As you begin plants for your garden please consider planting an extra pot or two to donate for the sale, both vegetable seedlings and flowering plants are appreciated! For more information, contact Kendelle Romero-Fawcett at kendelleromero-fawcett@mccmb.ca or 204-261-6381.

Special Event: Wintertreffen, Sunday, February 25, 2 pm, 287 8th Ave NE, Altona Join us at Altona Mennonite Church for an afternoon of music and sharing about refugee resettlement—in English and opp Plautdietsch—followed by a potluck faspal! For more information visit mccmb.ca/wintertreffen

Home Street Mennonite Church 318 Home Street, Winnipeg MB R3G 1X4, Treaty 1 Territory

Ministers: The Entire Congregation

Intentional Interim Pastor: Melissa Miller, 204-698-1513
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Home Street Mennonite Church February 11, 2018 Welcome to Worship

Encounters with Jesus: Today we hear the story of Jesus healing the blind man. Those surrounding the blind man were quick to judge and to dismiss those they considered “less than themselves.” They put structures before people. But when they encounter Jesus, he shows them a very different way. May we, this morning, open our hearts to this surprising way of Jesus.

Gathering

Prelude

Welcome & announcements

Call to Worship

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

I was blind, but now I see!

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear.

I was blind, but now I see!

One thing I ask: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

I was blind, but now I see!

Prayer

Hymn *God of our Strength*

HWB 36

Prayer of Confession:

We confess our sins before God.

Pause for silence and reflection.

Merciful Lord,

We come before you with heavy hearts. We do not always follow your lead. We insist on our own way, putting worldly things before you. We doubt, we discriminate; we scatter—preferring darkness to the brilliance of your truth. For all this we ask your mercy and forgiveness, that our hearts may be made clean again. Amen.

As a loving shepherd gathers his sheep, so our Lord protects and cares for us. As patient as a parent for a wayward child, so is God's mercy for us. Let us rejoice that we have received forgiveness, and that every day our Lord seeks to renew us in the image of our Creator, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Inside Our Doors

Hymn *There is a wideness in God's mercy* HWB 145

Hearing

Scripture Psalm 27:1-4; John 9:1-41
This is God's word to the people.

Thanks be to God.

Children's feature

Hymn *The Lord is my light* STJ 97

Message

Responding

Hymn *I want to walk as a child of the light* STJ 95

Offering

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer HWB 731

Sending

Hymn *Let there be light, Lord God* STJ 67

Benediction

Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: Christine E.

Speaker: Stefan E.K.

Song Leader: Joyce S.

Pianist: Lilli W.

Children's time: Lindsay S.

Scripture reader: Donica J.

Visuals: Viola K.

Sound Technician: Eric S.

Ushers: Jan & Don M.

Greeters: Michael H. & Heather S.

This Week at Home Street

Feb	11	9:30 am	Sunday School for children, youth & adults
		11:00 am	Worship Service
	12	6:30 pm	Sonolux rehearsal (sanctuary)
	12	7:00 pm	CODA (downstairs)
	14	12:00 pm	Pastor's Cluster
	14	2:00 pm	Winnipeg Harvest (downstairs)
	14	7:00pm	Sound Healing Meditation
	15	11:30 am	Sr.'s Lunch (downstairs)
	15	8-9:30 pm	SA 12 Step Group (upstairs)
	16	7:15-8:15 am	Men's Prayer Group (prayer room)
	16	5:30-9:00 pm	SDA (downstairs)
	17	9:00 am-2:30 pm	SDA (sanctuary & downstairs)

1. **Today, Sunday Feb 11:** Special meeting of members immediately following the service, to vote on two motions related to our current pastoral leadership team.

Leadership Council is recommending that the congregation call Pastor Judith for a second 3-year term of ministry at HSMC. Pastor Judith has received overwhelming support. In particular, congregants are appreciative of her personal qualities, pastoral leadership, outreach, youth leadership as well as preaching & worship contributions.

Leadership Council is recommending an extension to our agreement with Pastor Melissa Miller to continue to serve as intentional interim minister for another 12-month period or until the second pastor has been hired and a start date confirmed. Pastor Melissa continues to serve Home Street congregation effectively in her intentional interim role, and this extension will provide the stability we need to continue our journey to a new pastoral team.

2. **HSMC 55+ Event, Feb. 15th, 11:30 a.m.** The seniors are invited to gather at the church to share a lunch of soup, bread & desserts and some reflections on the theme of love! Please RSVP by Tuesday, February 13 to Cindy by calling the office, 204-783-1721 or emailing administrator@hsmc.ca. See you all there!
3. **Announcements regarding Next Sunday, February 18, 2018:**

Next Sunday is the first of six Sundays of Lent, during which we will worship with the theme of Covenant: *Between Me & You*. Next Sunday, to mark the beginning of Lent, we will offer the sign of ashes to "remember that we are dust." Ashes are a symbol of our mortality and our need for repentance.

We will be having an All church potluck. Serving Group B. is on for set up, serving & clean up.

If your last name starts with A-O please bring a please bring a main dish & dessert, P-Z please bring a main dish & a salad, bring enough for your family size plus a little extra. Singles, please just bring one item.

There will be no Adult Sunday School but children/youth Sunday school will be on as usual.

4. **Musings on Faith –** Come grab a cup of coffee or tea and join in some conversations about faith. Come become you're curious; or come because you want to wrestle with questions of faith; or come because you might consider baptism and membership. First meeting on Sunday, February 18 at 9:45 am in Judith's office. (just off the sanctuary by the back stairwell). Regular meeting times to be determined by participants. Contact Judith Friesen Epp for more information (Judith.friesenepp@hsmc.ca).
5. Please find your 2017 charitable tax receipts in your mailboxes.

6. **Curling bonspiel invitation!** Do you love curling? Have you never curled and want to give it a try? First Mennonite Church is inviting Home Street to join them Saturday, Feb. 24th from 12-3PM for their annual curling bonspiel held at the Granite Curling Club, no experience necessary. Please see the poster for more details or call the church office. Cost is \$20 per person and includes lunch. Everyone is welcome!
7. **Sr Youth: Friday, February 23, 7:00–9:30 pm at First Mennonite Church:** Discussions on Gender Roles and Images with Jaymie Friesen from MCC. Games and snacks to follow. This is a multi-church event for Sr Youth only.
8. **Jr Youth: March 2-4:** Winter Retreat at Camp Assiniboia
9. **Refugee Sponsorship Update** -- Our new friends from Myanmar/Burma arrived safely on Tuesday evening, February 6 and are settling into their new homes on Maryland Ave. The people of City Church will take primary responsibility for the families' resettlement, but folks from HSMC will continue to be involved in a variety of ways. Many thanks to all those who helped prepare for the newcomers' arrival!
10. **Please note:** When you leave the church from the front doors please check that they shut securely behind you. Thank you.

Indigenous Settler Relations



Everyone is invited to participate in the official launch of **The Healing Forest Winnipeg on Monday, February 12 at 10:00 a.m.** in the basement of St. John's Cathedral, Main Street. The Healing Forest is a living memorial to Indigenous children lost to or affected by the residential school system. Senator Murray Sinclair will be one of the speakers. Look on Facebook for The Healing Forest Project -- Winnipeg for more information.

A group of MMIWG (Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls) families is hosting a **Round Dance and Feast on Thursday, Feb. 15** at the Indian & Metis Friendship Centre at 45 Robinson Street, 6:30 to 10:00 p.m. The Round Dance is intended to honour the spirits of the more than 1,000 Indigenous women and girls who have been murdered or gone missing in Canada over the past decades, and to bring healing to grieving family members. The organizers write, "When we dance together with other MMIWG family and supportive community, our hearts do not constrict with grief, instead our hearts open with love, even for the briefest moment." Everyone is welcome.

Beyond Our Doors

Westgate Mennonite Collegiate is now accepting applications (Grades 6-12) for the 2018-19 school year. Applications are available on the Westgate website (www.westgatemennonite.ca) or by calling the school at [204-775-7111](tel:204-775-7111).

Westgate Mennonite Collegiate requires an **Accounting Assistant** for a part-time, term position. This job includes but is not limited to A/R, A/P, payroll, tuition, donation receipting and assisting with fundraising projects. Quickbooks experience required. Qualified applicants please forward resumes by February 19, 2018 with references to: Debbie Watson - Business Manager, Westgate Mennonite Collegiate, 86 West Gate Winnipeg, MB R3C 2E1; Fax: (204) 786-1651, Email: dwatson@westgatemennonite.ca

"The Pax Cantata Chorus, a CMU Alumni choir, presents 'My Heart is Inditing', including Handel Coronation Anthem No. 4 and more, with chamber orchestra accompaniment, and featuring soloist Adam Sperry. Sunday March 4, 7pm at Sargent Avenue Mennonite Church. Tickets are \$10.00 from choristers or at the door."

Canadian Mennonite University...News...Notes....

CMU presents **"Journeying Together: Accompanying the Aging"**, a one-day workshop for deacons, caregiving teams, pastors, and Christians working in health care or other caregiving roles. Join John H. Neufeld, Heather Campbell-Enns, Kathleen Rempel Boschman, Charlene Epp, and more as we explore what it means for Christians to journey together with the aging. Mar. 17th, 2018. For more information, and to register, please go to cmu.ca/pastorsworkshops.

Xplore: Keep Thinking: enrol in CMU's 55-Plus Enrichment Program, offered Wednesday mornings at CMU from Mar. 7 – Apr. 11. Courses include **The Conflict over "Holy Smoke": Contextualizing the Gospel for Indigenous Peoples**. For information and to enrol go to cmu.ca/xplore.

Enjoy an exciting evening of vocal and instrumental performances at CMU's **Verna Mae Janzen Music Competition** on Feb. 15 at 7:30 PM in the Laudamus Auditorium. Free Admission.

Worship with us at **CMU Vespers**. Janet Brenneman and Lisa Enns will lead a service of scripture, prayer, and song on the theme *To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul*. The service starts at 7:00 PM in the Laudamus Auditorium on Sunday, Feb. 18.

Canadian Mennonite University invites applications for the full time salaried positions of **Financial Analyst, Hosting Coordinator, Outtown Site leader, and Assistant or Associate Professor of Music**. Details can be found at cmu.ca/employment or by contacting hrdirector@cmu.ca.

CMU seeks volunteers for the following roles: assisting with seasonal mailings, ongoing data entry. For more information contact Julie Derksen at [204-487-3300 ext. 607](tel:204-487-3300) or j.derksen@cmu.ca.
