



Home Street Mennonite Church
June 24, 2018
Welcome to Worship

Focus Statement: Looking for clues about who the Creator is....creation is a great place to start your search.

“ Psalm 104 is made all the more remarkable because it testifies so ebulliently to God’s power and the goodness of creation, even when the psalmist is clearly aware of the constant efforts of the wicked to do and say otherwise.” - Cameron B. R. Howard

Gathering in God’s Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering

Song: *When the morning stars together* HWB 34

Scripture Reading: Psalm 104:1-15

Call to Worship

God stretches out the heavens and shapes the earth.

Come and give thanks!

God raises up the mountains and pours water into the seas.

Come and give thanks!

God calls forth plants from the soil and forms animals in infinite variety.

Come and give thanks!

God breathes upon us and fills us with life.

Come lift your voices in praise!

God gives our lives meaning through laughter and tears.

Come lift your voices in praise!

God touches our hearts through family and friends.

Come lift your voices in praise!

God loves us and blesses us with everything good.

Come and worship!

God loves us and overwhelms us with never-ending generosity.

Come and worship!

God loves us and surrounds us with love in abundance!

Come and worship!

Praising

Song: *I sing the mighty power of God* HWB 46

Confession and Assurance

Reflecting

Scripture Reading – Psalm 104:16-30

Children’s Feature

Message: Creation; the Creator’s colossal clue

Responding

Blessing of camp staff

Song: Colossians 3:17 (insert)

Offering

Congregational Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer of the People

The Lord’s Prayer HWP 731

Sending

Song: *Go, my friends in grace* STS 57

Benediction (Psalm 104:31-35)

Worship Participants:

Speaker: Kathy G.

Worship Leader: Ben P.

Offertory: Gina L.

Scripture Reader: Christina J.

Greeters: Nick & Marge U.

Ushers: Curt W. & Meg G.

Song Leader: Pearl T.N.

Pianist: Gina L.

Sound: Grant K.

Inside Our Doors

- 1. Today, Sunday June 24, Noon - 3:00 PM - 3rd Annual Home Street Mennonite Church Block Party.**
Kick off the summer by staying after church for a free, summer-themed lunch and family friendly activities as we “re-claim” the lane beside the church. Take this chance to meet our neighbours and those who regularly attend Home Plate, Coffee and Conversation and Pastor’s Pantry.
- 2. Church Camping on September long weekend:** We’ve reserved a group camping site at Spruce Woods Provincial Park for August 31 – September 3, and everyone is invited! Come camp for all or part of the weekend, or come join us for a day. It’s a wonderful way to enjoy creation together in community. Please let Janet Penner know if you’re coming, or if you’d like more information.
- 3. Pastor’s Pantry:** We are so grateful for the ongoing contributions of groceries and donations towards Pastor’s Pantry. After prayerful discernment, we will be shifting the focus of our Pastors’ Pantry program in the coming months. Rather than handing out food packages on an ongoing weekly basis, we will be encouraging regular users of Pastors’ Pantry to seek more long-term, sustainable sources of food security through Winnipeg Harvest and other community food programs. We will then give out Pastors’ Pantry food packages on a more one-time, emergency food basis. We hope this will be a more sustainable practice for Home Street, and a more capacity-building practice for our neighbours. We do invite your continued monthly grocery contributions; these donations are ways of remembering the hunger and needs among and around us. Any groceries that are not needed for Pastors’ Pantry will be donated to Winnipeg Harvest.
- 4. Next Sunday,** July 1st please bring empty 4 liter containers (milk etc.) to be used for the children’s story.
- 5. Senior Youth:** This Wednesday, June 27, 7:00 – 10:00 pm we’ll celebrate the end of the school year! Watch your email for details.
- 6. Leadership Council invites your donations** to support the eight youth and young adults from Home Street serving as Camps with Meaning staff this summer. We are grateful for their leadership in our camping ministry, and we are, as a congregation, committed to paying weekly honoraria to support them. Due to the strong participation of our young people, an extra \$2300, above our budgeted amount, is needed this year. We invite your generous support; please mark these extra offerings as “Camp Staff Support.”
- 7. Prayer Partners for our Camp Staff:** We’re very pleased to have a number of our youth and young adults working at our church camps again this summer, and we’d like to match each camp worker with a prayer partner from our

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congregation. The prayer partner is asked to pray for a particular camp staff member throughout the summer and to send a few cards or small care packages. If you’re interested in being a prayer partner, please let Judith Friesen Epp know.

- 8. Melissa Miller** is away from the office. She will return on June 28.

 Announcements:

- 9. Today is the last Sunday of the regular worship schedule** here at Home Street. Next week worship will be at 10:00 am.
- 10. Please check your mailboxes today** and take everything with you. Whatever is left in mailboxes after this Sunday will either be mailed to you or discarded if out-dated. Thank you.
- 11. Are you missing some containers or clothing?** There are a number of containers in the kitchen and items in the lost and found, box, (south stairwell entering the sanctuary) clothing, to-go cups, books, etc. Please check to see if any belong to you and take them home. If they are still here after July 1, they will be taken to the MCC Thrift Store. Thanks.
- 12. Summer office hours:**
Cindy’s regular office hours for summer will be Tuesday-Thursday 9-noon. Please note that bulletin items will need to be in by Wed. p.m. Melissa will be in the office Tuesday & Thursday 9 - noon. Judith will be away from the office June 28 - July 30.

This Week at Home Street

June	11:00 am	Worship Service
	12-3:00 pm	Block Party!
25	7:00 pm	CODA (downstairs)
28	8:00-9:30 pm	SA 12 Step Group (downstairs)
29	7:15-8:15 am	Men’s Prayer Group (prayer room)
29	5:30-9:00 pm	SDA (downstairs)
30	9:00am - 4:30 pm	SDA (sanctuary & downstairs)
July	1	10:00 am Worship Service

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

Summer is on its way and we are gearing up for camp! The leadership teams have one more prep week before Staff Training Week begins July 1st. We will have close to 80 staff at Camp Assiniboia learning and playing together, getting ready to welcome children and adults with disabilities to our two sites the following week. Thank you for your support of our staffing community! (note: male staff are still needed for July 8-13 and July 19-August 3)

Volunteers still needed! We are still in need of kitchen and maintenance volunteers at both camps, as well as camp pastors. Please call 895-CAMP or email camps@mennochurch.mb.ca if you can help out.

Mennonite Church Canada is seeking an Executive Minister to lead our nationwide church. We invite your prayers for the process and for the person God is calling to this role. The Search Committee would be pleased to receive your suggestions for possible candidates. Inquiries or suggestions may be sent to searchcommittee@mennonitechurch.ca. We are looking to the Lord, and listening to the Spirit as we discern together. [see www.commonword.ca/go/1551 for the job description.]

Story and Song Circle @ Home Street Mennonite Church: Participatory story tellers and singer song writers are invited to bring their original short stories and songs to a gathering of artistically inclined writers and musician/singers to share around a circle for peer-led improvement. Join in on the last Sunday of the month (today - June 24), 7 pm, at Home Street Mennonite Church, 318 Home St. For more details contact Dan Dyck .

Save the date! Saturday, September 29th is the 2018 **Ride for Refuge event**. Mennonite Church Canada is once again inviting its congregational family to participate in this fun, nationwide bike-a-thon/walk in support of our international Witness ministry. As the Ride for Refuge website indicates: "The Ride for Refuge is a family-friendly cycling and walking fundraiser that supports charities who provide refuge and hope for displaced, vulnerable and exploited people everywhere." Please visit the Ride website: <https://rideforrefuge.org/charity/mennonitechurchca>

Beyond Our Doors

For 30 years the CBC TV program, **Hymn Sing** was heard and watched in living rooms across Canada.

A reunion is being organized for August and as a part of that, **a concert by the Hymn Sing Alumni Chorus** will be presented at **Bethel Mennonite Church, 465 Stafford St. August 26, at 3:00 pm** tickets are available at McNally Robinson Booksellers.

Grief Support Group

Concordia Hospital is offering a 7 week Grief Support Group beginning Tuesday evening, July 10. If you have recently experienced the death of a loved one and are struggling with loneliness, hopelessness and uncertainty then you are welcome to join a supportive, safe and confidential group. There is limited enrollment. To register or enquire further, please call Bob Milks at 204-661-7402 or cell 204-794-1913, or respond through email: bmilks@concordiahospital.mb.ca . Deadline for registration is Friday, July 6.

Lindenwood Estates:

495 Lindenwood Dr. E. has a reassignable life lease unit coming available: 2nd floor, 925 sq. ft., 2 bedroom. Church Open House, Tuesday, July 3rd, 5-6 pm. Please contact D'Anne Hansen for more information 204-979-0432.



**Mennonite
Disaster
Service**

MDS has many weekly volunteer opportunities for the summer both in the U.S. and Canada. Please see their website for details <https://mds.mennonite.net/> or call 204-261-1274.

MCC Manitoba ... News...Notes....

Hosts needed - MCC Manitoba is seeking hosts for female participants in IVEP (International Volunteer Exchange Program) for an 11-month period beginning in September 2018. Hosts are needed in the Elmwood/Kildonan and Central Winnipeg areas and/or neighbourhoods with good access to bus routes. For more information, visit mccmb.ca/ivep and contact Katie at 204-925-1929 or katielaban@mccmb.ca

Share your story for MCC's 100th! Alumni and friends, we need your mementos for an exhibit to commemorate our centennial coming up in 2020. For more information, please visit mccmb.ca/centennial-display

MCC Canada welcomes applications for Ottawa Office Director based in Ottawa. Applications are accepted until June 27. For more information and to apply, please visit mcccanada.ca/ottawa-office-director

Indigenous-Settler Relations

Bill C-262

Great news! With your amazing efforts, Bill C-262—*An Act to Ensure that the Laws of Canada are in Harmony with the UNDRIP*—has passed 3rd reading in the House of Commons. Now it is being debated in the Senate, and if it passes, it will receive Royal Assent and become one of the statutes of Canada. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission has stated that the UNDRIP is the blueprint for reconciliation in Canada and has called all churches to adopt it and advocate for it. Would you and your church consider writing a short, encouraging note to some of the 100+ Senators in support of Bill C-262? You can find contact info here: <https://goo.gl/qhKcuS>

Christian Peacemaker Teams

Christian Peacemaker Teams is a key partner of Indigenous-Settler Relations because of the courageous and creative ways they seek to transform situations of violence and oppression. Currently, CPT is looking for an Administrative Director to empower and guide the work of CPT in fulfilling its mission of embodying nonviolence and liberating love. Check out the following link for more information: <https://goo.gl/5Anu33>

Witness

Gregory Rabus and **Jennifer Otto** and their two boys, **Alex** and **Ian** have returned to North America. After visiting family in Connecticut, Gregory and Jennifer will be thanking congregations (in MCEC) and sharing stories from their ministry experience in Ludwigshafen, Germany. Please keep the Otto/Rabus family in your prayers as they transition to life in Canada after serving 6 years cross-culturally. Gregory, Jennifer and boys will settle in Lethbridge, Alberta in mid-July.

Caring for our community:

Please note: Home Street Mennonite Church is a scent-free facility. Due to health difficulties, we ask that individuals refrain from wearing strong scents or from using such products within the building. This can include perfume, after-shave lotion, and hand cream, for example. Thank you for your participation in reducing the problems caused by strong scents.

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