



Home Street Mennonite Church
November 4, 2018
Welcome to Worship

Focus Statement: The Gospel of Mark speaks to the centrality of love in the Gospel message. We will be considering different types of love that are all related to one another – love primarily for God, but also love for our neighbor and love of our self.

Gathering

Prelude
 Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Come let us praise our God.

People: We will praise the Lord as long as we live. We will sing praises to our God our whole life long.

Leader: Do not put your trust in worldly monarchs, in whom there is no help.

People: Happy are those whose help is in the God of Jacob and the God of Jesus.

Leader: The Lord will reign forever.

All: Let us rejoice in what we have been given and what is ours to give.

Hymns	<i>Joyful, joyful we adore thee</i>	<i>HWB 71</i>
	<i>For God so loved us</i>	<i>HWB 167</i>

Confessional Prayer (spoken together in unison)

We confess Lord, we have been slow to learn your ways. We have avoided the orphan and the widow, ignored the oppressed, and participated in systems that perpetrate injustice.

Our silence in the face of wrong and our denials have not made for peace. Our cowardice has abetted war and violence.

We seek your forgiveness for our failure to align ourselves with your purposes and with the people for whom you care so deeply.

Lord be merciful and slow to anger. Grant us your compassion and fill us with the courage of your son, Jesus Christ.

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading: Psalm 119:1-8; Mark 12:28-34

This is God's Word to the people

Thanks be to God

Children's Feature

(children under age 5 may go downstairs, childcare is provided)

Hymn: If all you want, Lord HWB 512

Message

Responding

Hymn: The love of God STJ 44

Offering

Prayers of the people and prayers for the world,

The Lord's Prayer HWB 131

Sending

Hymn: There's a wideness in God's mercy HWB 145

Benediction

Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: David N.	Song Leader: Brenda S.
Speaker: Stefan E.K.	Pianist: Gina L.
Offertory: Gina L.	Organ: Maureen E.
Sound: David S.	Visuals: Viola K.
Scripture Reader: Barry S.	
Puppeteers: Allegra F.E., Jonathan K.	
Puppet script: Brenda S.	
Ushers: Randy & Janet P.	
Greeters: Heather S. & Sarah J.	



Thank you for the special service to honour the seniors. It was a blessing to have lunch together and to receive a corsage and muffins. - *Kathy R.*

In Prayer:

MCM is inviting all congregations to join in a nationwide call to prayer for comfort and strength for our Jewish faith communities, particularly those here in Canada and the USA. In the wake of the Pittsburgh massacre of Jewish worshipers this week, all congregations in MC Canada are being asked to pray this Sunday for Jewish faith communities that have been impacted by this act of violence. Please join your sister congregations in lamenting all forms of violence against those who are different from us. Pray that those who grieve may be enfolded in God's comforting embrace and that God's healing power might restore shalom in communities whose peace has been shattered by violence. May our prayers stand in solidarity with all who call on God in this time of sorrow and grief.

Inside Our Doors

1. **Next Sunday in Adult Sunday School:** As part of the series on the Prophets of Israel, Dan Epp-Tiessen will lead us in a study of "Prophecy: Living under the Judgment and Grace of God."
2. **Jr and Sr Youth: On Friday, November 9, 7:00 – 9:30 pm,** we'll join other youth from Mennonite Church Manitoba for "On the Eve: Engaging Peace 24/7." We'll meet on the North Campus of Canadian Mennonite University for peace activities, stories, worship, and snack.
3. **Calling all Basketball Players:** Those interested in a game of pick-up basketball are welcome to join people from Bethel, Charleswood, Home Street, and NKMC churches at the Westgate gym on every second Sunday, from 3 – 5pm. This is an all-ages, all-abilities game. We encourage you to bring a friend of about equal caliber / competitiveness so you can play against each other at the intensity you want to play. The next pick-up basketball game is November 11.
4. **Tuesday, Nov 13 at 7 PM a Congregational Meeting** will be held in the church basement. We will talk about our pastoral search and Pastor Judith's "licensing toward ordination." We will discuss our finances and changes to our constitution. And we will receive reports on Manitoba Accessibility compliance and implementation of our Safe Church commitment. All members and regular attenders are encouraged to attend.
5. **55+ gathering Thursday, November 15, 10:00 am,** Allegra Friesen Epp will be reporting on her MDS assignment. Coffee and refreshments will be served.
6. **Advent choir:** I would like to inform all interested singers that the Advent choir will start rehearsals on **November 18th** during the Sunday School hour: 9:30am-10:30am. The choir will be participating in the Dec. 2nd and Dec. 9th services. All singers welcome! ~ Brenda Schellenberg
7. **Home St Annual Christmas Gathering** - save the date of Saturday Dec 8 for an afternoon of Christmas music, snacks, board games and more! More information to be announced in coming weeks.
8. Please check your mailboxes for your 3rd quarter contribution statements.

This Week at Home Street

Nov. 4	9:30 am	Sunday School for all ages
	11:00 am	Worship Service
5	6:30 pm	Sonolux Rehearsals (sanctuary)
5	7:00 pm	CODA (downstairs)
7	2:30 pm	Home Plate (downstairs)
8	7:15 pm	Contemplative Prayer
8	8:00-9:30 pm	SA 12 Step Group (downstairs)
9	7:15-7:45 am	Men's Prayer Group (prayer room)
9	5:30-9:00 pm	SDA (downstairs))
10	9:00am – 2:30 pm	SDA (sanctuary & downstairs)

Beyond our Doors

Winnipeg Mennonite Elementary & Middle Schools 2019-2020 Kindergarten Information Evening

Monday, Nov. 5, 2018, 6:30pm , WMES Bedson Campus (St. James)
250 Bedson Street ph. 204-885-1032

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2018 6:30pm WMES Katherine Friesen Campus (Ft. Garry) 26 Agassiz Dr. ph. 204-261-9637

Westgate Mennonite Collegiate presents the musical, 25th **Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee, December 13, 14 & 15** at the Asper Centre for Theatre and Film (University of Winnipeg). Show times are 7 pm each evening. There is also a 2 pm matinee show on the Saturday. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased by phoning the school at 204-775-7111.

Nov.15-17, 2018; A People of Diversity: Mennonites in Canada since 1970th, a conference hosted by the Chair in Mennonite Studies at The University of Winnipeg. Sessions will take place in Convocation Hall, 2nd floor Wesley Hall Building at The University of Winnipeg. Free admission. Register on site. More info: <http://mennonitestudies.uwinnipeg.ca/events/>

Friends of the Mennonite Centre in Ukraine are sponsoring a **Music and Dessert Fund Raising Evening** featuring violinist Karl Stobbe, Associate Concertmaster of the Winnipeg Symphony , and pianist Leanne Regehr Lee. Douglas Mennonite church at 1517 Rothesay St. Thursday Nov. 15, 2018 at 7 PM. See poster on the bulletin board for more details.

Butterfly Journeys: You are invited to join us for a retreat to prepare for the season of Advent. Saturday, Dec. 1 10:00 am - 3:00 pm at 196 Canora St. See: <https://butterflyjourneys.webs.com/> for more information. Registration deadline is Nov. 23, 2018.

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

Face2Face: Whose Neighbour Am I? Newcomers in Canada. Almost daily, news reports reflect concerns about 'migrants and border security' – and include assumptions requiring context and careful reflection. Join this Face2Face conversation with newcomers to Canada from Syria, Colombia, Burundi, Iraq, and the Democratic Republic of Congo. The evening, moderated by Arisnel Mesidor, MCC Migration and Resettlement Coordinator, will expand your awareness and understanding and open new relational connections. **Wed. Nov. 7, 7:00 PM** in Marpeck Commons. See cmu.ca/events.

Interested in **studying Music** at CMU? Interested in **Outtatown**? Check out the Music Open House on **Nov. 15 evening** and Discover Outtatown on **Nov. 16**. See cmu.ca/campusvisit. Apply before Nov. 30 and have your application fee waived. See cmu.ca/apply.

Internationally renowned pianist **Jane Coop** will present a recital “**Piano Giants: Music of Beethoven & Rachmaninov**” at CMU on Wed., Nov. 14 at 7:30 PM at the Laudamus Auditorium. The concert will feature CMU's newly donated Bosendorfer Imperial Grand Piano. Tickets \$25, \$22 Seniors, and \$10 Students. Call 204-487-3300 or email info@cmu.ca or see cmu.ca/events.

Nov. 24, **Christmas at CMU**. For more information see cmu.ca/christmas.

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

Voices Together Hymn Sing. Join Henry Engbrecht, Paul Dueck and the Voices Together Ensemble in singing potential new songs for our new hymnal: Voices Together. Of course, we'll sing a few old favourites too. Sunday Nov 18, 7:00pm, Fort Garry Mennonite Fellowship, Winnipeg. Freewill offering for the Voices Together project will be received.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank invites supporters to its fall

banquets. Nyambura Githaiga, senior policy advisor with the Foodgrains Bank, will speak about how conflict affects food security in Africa. Tuesday, Nov 20, 6:30 pm at Charleswood United Church, Winnipeg. Please RSVP by Nov 12^h to Gordon Janzen at manitoba@foodgrainsbank.ca or call 431-334-8878.

Mennonite Church Canada....News....Notes....

Witness Prayer items:

Please pray for the five new Thai Christians who were recently baptized (during the Thailand Anabaptist Gathering) and pledged their commitment to Christ and to their congregation. Pray that they would be strengthened and empowered by the Spirit and grow in the God's grace each day.

Meserete Kristos College (MK College) asks prayer “for the students as they settle into another demanding semester, separated from loved ones, facing new challenges that they will grow in spiritual understanding and steadfastness as well as knowledge and wisdom.” (MK College newsletter, Sept. 2018)

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

Christmas Craft & Bake Sale - MCC welcomes donations of baked goods for the Christmas Craft and Bake Sale on **Saturday, November 24!** If you're interested in donating your baking, please contact Sophia Bezopenko at sophiabezopenko@mccmb.ca or call 204-261-6381. For more information on the Christmas Craft & Bake Sale, please visit mccmb.ca/Christmas-sale

Special Event: Strangers and Pilgrims

Thursday, November 8 at 7 pm | 159 Henderson Hwy, Winnipeg

Join author Kennert Giesbrecht with local and national MCC staff at Sam's Place to learn about how Mennonites are changing landscapes in Latin America. For more event information, visit mccmb.ca/strangers-and-pilgrims

Learning Tour: Health and mental health in Haiti – Join us in April 2019 for a week-long opportunity to see MCC's work in action in Haiti. This tour will have a special focus on health care, including responding to the cholera epidemic, trauma healing and MCC's approach to disaster response. For more information visit mccmb.ca/haiti-health-learning-tour or contact Brad Reimer at 204-261-6381.

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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