



Home Street Mennonite Church
January 5th, 2020
Epiphany Sunday
Welcome to Worship

Focus Statement: The wait is over. The mystery has been made known in the birth of Christ. How does that change us and our world?

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements
 Call to worship & prayer

Oh God, our God, you cry out to us.

**Asking, when will you see the light that I am,
 the grace I have extended to all people,
 the dance out of the darkness
 and into righteousness to which I invited you?**

Can we see that in you we are transformed,
 unable to go back the way we have known?

God, what are we waiting for?

Song: *Arise, your light is come!* Purple 30 verses 1 and 2

A Litany for the Holy Mischief
by Bob Haverluck

Song: *Hail the bless'd Morn* Blue 221

LISTENING

Scripture reading: Matthew 2:1-23
 This is God's word to the people
Thanks be to God

Offering
 Children's Story
(children may go downstairs childcare will be provided)

Song: *On this Day* Blue 192
 Meditation

RESPONDING

Song: *Morning Star, O cheering sight!* Blue 214
 Prayers of the people
 The Lords' prayer Blue 731

SENDING

Song: *Arise, your light is come!* Purple 30 verses 3 and 4
 Benediction

Worship Participants:

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| Speaker: Judith F.E . | Sound: David S. |
| Worship Leader: Phil C.E. | Song Leader: Matthew F. |
| Scripture Reader: Celia E. | Pianist: Allegra F.E. |
| Children's Story : Kathy G. | Offertory: Sophia & David K. |
| Greeters: Heather S. & Celia E. | |
| Ushers: Nettie V. & Bryan V. | |

This Week at Home Street

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| January | 5 | 9:30 am | Sunday School for Children, youth & adults |
| | 5 | 11:00 am | Worship Service |
| | 5 | 2:00 pm | Laotian Worship Service (downstairs) |
| | 6 | 7:00-9:00 pm | CODA (downstairs) |
| | 7 | 4:00-8:30 pm | Private event (downstairs) |
| | 7 | 8:00-9:00 pm | Recovery Chapters (upstairs) |
| | 9 | 8:00-9:30 pm | 12 Step Group Meeting (downstairs) |
| | 10 | 7:15-7:45 am | Men's Prayer Group Meeting |
| | 10 | 6:00-9:00 pm | SDA (downstairs) |
| | 11 | 9:00-2:30 pm | SDA Worship (sanctuary & downstairs) |
| | 11 | 5:00-8:00 pm | SDA Youth |

Inside Our Doors

1. **This Sunday, January 5th**, we are back to our regular schedule with Intergenerational singing starting at 9:30 followed by Sunday School for children, youth and adults at 9:45.
2. **Visuals:** The Visuals during this Advent & Christmas season have represented going from darkness to light with the birth of Jesus.
Anyone wanting to help take down the decorations is invited to stay after church today. Thank you, - Janet Penner
3. **Thank-you** to everyone who contributed to the 2019 Advent Giving Project. We raised \$2711! Half of this will go to our congregation's "climate action building fund" and half will go to a conservation agriculture project in Kenya supported by Mennonite Central Committee and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.
4. **Thank you for your generosity:** With our December giving of \$62,604, which includes rental fees, we are happy to announce we exceeded our 2019 budget by \$4,069.00. Thank you for supporting the ministries of Home Street Mennonite Church with your financial gifts.
5. **Thanks so much** for the Christmas cards and gifts that we and our families received over the past month. They were deeply appreciated! Phil, Judith, Cindy
6. **Save the Date:** The Annual General Meeting for our church will be held on Feb 1, 9:00 - 12:00. Committee Chairs please note: *Reports for the annual report book will need to be in to the office by Jan 6, 2019.
7. **Next Sunday, January 12**, Emma Siemens will be baptized and become a member of our congregation. Please pray for Emma as she prepares to make this covenant with God and with our congregation.
8. **On January 5, 12, and 19 Adult Education** will provide an opportunity for deeper engagement with Home Streets proposed constitution changes as we discuss our congregation's values, what church membership looks like, and ways we might renew our covenant with the church.
9. **"Taste of China":** On Sunday, January 19, Home Streeters will have the opportunity to experience a "Taste of China" as we hold a fundraising lunch to the support the work of our Mennonite Church Witness workers. Stay tuned for further details!



**Mennonite
Disaster
Service**

Please visit the [Weekly Volunteer Calendar](#) for the remaining winter dates to serve during the months of January through March. Even as we enter the winter months, we look ahead to the spring and summer season. If you are interested and available to serve during this timeframe, please [join the waitlist](#).

Mennonite Church Canada

International Witness

Praise God for the leadership team growing within the Friends of Grace network in Thailand. Pray for Witness workers Tom and Christine Poovong as they work with and mentor new church leaders.
Prayer: Pray that new believers will be drawn to these fledgling congregations as they reach out into their communities.

Mennonite Church Manitoba

Whitewater Mennonite Church is a small rural congregation working to follow Christ Jesus meaningfully (and together) in rural Westman. We still find gathering to worship and fellowship life-giving. We're still discovering that God is good. We're, hopefully, working towards adding words to our abundant service of Jesus Christ in the community. Pray for those words, and that zeal to share actual, good news with others. That God's kingdom would come here. Pray also that our trust in and knowledge of God would grow.

Camp Koinonia invites applications for a year-round onsite caretaker. Please visit www.campswithmeaning.org under "News" for information.

Summer is coming. We are a people of hope. **Camps with Meaning summer staff applications are available** on the website. Note: Leadership applications are due January 17, 2020. www.campswithmeaning.org

Get involved! Come tie comforters with MCC - see the poster in the foyer

Please note: Home St. Church is a scent-free facility. Please refrain from wearing strong scents, 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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