

Home Street Mennonite Church
July 19, 2020



July 19: Zoom gathering (11:00 am) This Sunday our Zoom gathering will include a time of commissioning for our summer camp staff, breakout groups to catch up with one another, and a sharing and prayer time.

The next **Church Picnic is Sunday July 26, 11:30 am, at Vimy Ridge Park: Sign in instead of sign up:** Rather than signing up ahead of time you can just come, but see Marnie when you arrive to sign in as we do need to keep track of who was there. Please bring your own lawn chairs or blanket, and your own food and drinks. We expect household units to be spaced 2 metres apart as we visit together.

Job Opportunity: Leadership Council Executive is inviting applications for a summer student to update our public HSMC website and overhaul our private website. This is a part-time position, amounting to 80 hours over approximately four weeks. A job description is available on request from the office. Please submit a resume, including three references, to Cindy administrator@hsmc.ca by Saturday, July 18. Note: this position is contingent on approval from the Manitoba Summer Student Recovery Jobs Program.

The Climate Action Group is inviting you to join our next meeting on Wednesday July 22 at 7pm. If you're interested, email Sarah J. with questions and/or to get the zoom link.

Our Pandemic Guidance Group, is hard at work planning a way for our congregation to resume worship in our building once again. We anticipate this beginning August 23. The plan will include: a limit on the number of people who can attend; a sign-up system for attendance; special arrangements for entering, exiting and seating to ensure physical distancing; no congregational singing (great sadness about this!), and live-streaming for those who are at home. Returning to worship in the building is a very complex undertaking and we ask for patience as we make these preparations. Any questions or concerns should be directed to Esther E.T.



Our Children's Library at HSMC is going mobile! You can request a bag of books to be dropped off at your door; the book bag will include (fiction & biblical themed) picture books and a few board books. **Twenty books/two weeks/Thursday return to church (3Ts)**. A list of chapter books for borrowing is available by request. Contact Linda E.

Movie Discussion Night: The Indigenous Settler Relations Group invites us to learn more about what it means to be Treaty people in Canada. Brad Leitch has produced a wonderful documentary which explores the history of colonization and racism against Indigenous peoples in Canada, inviting us to return to the spirit and intent of Treaty. This documentary is now available online: <https://www.treatytalk.com/>. We invite you to watch it sometime in the next few weeks and then join a backyard (socially distanced) discussion group at 7:30 pm on July 24. Please let Cindy know by July 19 if you would like to participate in a backyard discussion group (administrator@hsmc.ca, 204-783-1721).

Pastors' Vacations: Judith will be returning from vacation and back in the office on July 21. Phil will be away from July 20 - August 4.

Summer office hours: Cindy will be in the office Tuesday - Thursday 9:a.m. - 2:00 pm.



Canadian Mennonite University

CMU is planning for on-campus, in-person education for fall and winter terms 2020/21, with hybrid extensions through online tools for all classes. Clear protocols and training to ensure the health and safety of students, staff and faculty will be in place. We are also working extensively at community and individual well-being as we face the intense burdens and anxieties of this pandemic time. CMU is also prepared for a possible switch to virtual only learning should a second wave of COVID-19 emerge.

While Manitoba has not mandated the wearing of masks in public spaces, CMU is proactively committed to supply every student, faculty and staff member with a mask for their use, as needed. Our goal is to gather up to 2,000 masks and to that end, we are seeking a network of capable volunteers to sew up to 100 masks each. The university will supply a standard pattern and be available to support volunteers with technical, sewing related questions. Charitable receipts will be issued for 5 or more masks. For details about this volunteer based project contact Julene Sawatzky, CMU Campus Planning and Facilities Development Manager, at JuSawatzky@cmu.ca. Thank you!



Mennonite Disaster Service On the Level Announcement:

The July edition of On the Level is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue, you can read how MDS volunteers helped Minneapolis residents clean up following the protests in the wake of the death of George Floyd. You can learn how MDS volunteers are racing the clock to restore homes in Alaska and bring wildfire survivors home. **Click on this link to read more:** <https://conta.cc/2WrUKsZ>



Day Camps and Pop-Up Camps with Camps with Meaning. Visit www.campswithmeaning.org to

learn more about and to register for our revised camping program, or, call 204-895-2267

Support group for Mennonite racial minorities If you (or someone you know) is a racial minority in the Mennonite Church (including international students) and would like to be a part of this group, please email Gabby Martin (from Sargent Avenue Mennonite Church) at: gabbymartinwork@gmail.com.

Riverton Fellowship Circle closes doors

The Riverton Fellowship Circle (RFC) invited its Riverton Ministry Circle partners to a meeting on June 24, 2020. The purpose of the meeting was to have their support as a motion was passed to dissolve the church corporation and its assets.

The church fellowship began meeting in 1985 at the Riverton and District Friendship Centre (RDFC). As the congregation grew, so did their desire to have their own church building. After much fundraising and community support, construction happened in summer 1997. RFC joined MCM at the annual session on February 24, 2006.

The RDFC has graciously accepted the church's gift of their building so that the community will continue to benefit from the wide scope of programming the Centre offers.

RFC has been a vital part of the Riverton community over the years so a service of closing and celebration will happen at a later date.



Mennonite Central Committee Manitoba

We are honoured to be one of **Bridges Golf Course's** charity of choice this summer for their Charity Green Fee Promotion. Book a tee time with Bridges and a portion of your fee will benefit MCC! Find out about their new promotion at www.bridgesgolfcourse.com/golf/charity-green-fee-promotion/.

Can't find the time to complete your **GO! 100 challenge**? No problem! We are extending the timeframe of GO! 100 until the end of August! This means you can complete 100 of anything all summer or invite your community to a challenge of their own! Share the GO! 100 Launch video at vimeo.com/434893063 or learn how to get started at mccmb.ca/GO-100.

The Mennonite Heritage Village Museum's **MCC 100 Years** exhibit is now open for visitors. The display features a variety of MCC's work in relief, development and peace in Manitoba and around the world. Learn more at mcccanada.ca/get-involved/events/mcc-100-years-exhibit. Listen to Threads, our monthly radio segment, for a sneak peak of the exhibit at mccmb.ca/Threads.

Summer is here! It's time to get out on the green. Golf and support MCC's work in relief, development and peace by participating in the 18th annual MCC Golf Tournament on September 10th. Regular registration is \$180 and includes a power cart, meals and prizes. Learn more at mccmb.ca/golf.



Help match Mennonite Church Canada's donation to Mennonite World Conference's COVID-19 relief fund!

This spring [Mennonite Church Canada donated](#)

[\\$50,000 to MWC's Global Church Sharing Fund](#) to help our sister churches around the world who are struggling to meet basic needs due to pandemic-response measures in their countries. Now Mennonite Church Canada is asking its congregations to match this donation so that we collectively raise \$100,000. Donations will go through regional churches. Click [here](#) for more info.

Indigenous-Settler Relations

Living the Declaration: A Webinar on Indigenous Rights

Sponsored by Mennonite Church British Columbia and Mennonite Church Canada's Indigenous-Settler Relations

Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 6:30 PM Pacific

Link to event info and

registration: <https://www.facebook.com/events/274062560602645/>

The church has been called by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission "to formally adopt and comply with the principles of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (Call to Action #48). The government has been called to do the same (Call to Action #43). Where are we on this journey toward right relations, and what are the next steps that we need to take?

Join our webinar and hear Romeo Saganash (Cree) who helped draft the Declaration, Kukpi7 Chief Judy Wilson (Secwepemc) from the Union of B.C. Indian Chiefs and Quaker advocate Jennifer Preston. Together, we will explore both the challenge and the promise of implementing the Declaration on the ground, with our communities, and in our lives.

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Summer Reading List

[Our 12th annual list of recommended titles](#) is here for the lawn chair, hammock or beach blanket during the summer months! It includes:

- [Jesus is the Question](#) by Martin B. Copenhaver
- [How to Break Up with your Phone](#) by Catherine Price
- [Surviving the Climate Crisis](#) by Christiana Figueres and Tom Rivett-Carnac
- [Fields of Light and Stone](#) by Angeline Schellenberg
- [Who Goes Canoeing with their Mother-in-Law?](#) by Kyle Penner

Bethel Place Job Opportunities:

Resident Program Coordinator – Term, maternity leave replacement
Aug 2020 to Dec 2021

Bethel Place is an affordable rental community for independent older adults, with on-site support services. We are seeking an ideal candidate for the Program Coordinator position (working 21 - 35 hours/week) with excellent interpersonal & organization skills. The coordinator will be responsible for program and volunteer services in keeping with the mission and vision of Bethel Place. The Program Coordinator will have minimum (2) years' experience and education related to the older adult in recreation/volunteer management is preferred. Salary plus benefit package included. **Reply in confidence no later than July 24th, 2020.** *Only candidates selected for interviews will be contacted.*

Attention – Bethel Place, Executive Director
Fax #204-284-3763 or Email: bethelplace@shaw.ca

Half Time Custodian (Bi-weekly)

Bethel Place an independent living senior's home is seeking a live-in Custodian to respond to after-hours building concerns. The Custodian will enter into an employment contract, complete with a compensation package and must hold a lease agreement for their rental suite with current rental fees. Applicants should be 60 years of age & older.

For more information please feel free to contact Joanne Schmidt, Executive Director at 204-284-3762 or Email: jsbethelplace@shaw.ca or visit the BP website at www.bethelplace.ca

Reply in confidence no later than August 7th, 2020