

Home Street Mennonite Church July 26, 2020



Worship at Home, 9:30 - 11:00 am: This Sunday we continue our summer worship series, *Consider the Birds*, with reflections on the Quail.

Church Picnic, 11:30 am: Come visit together at Vimy Ridge Park, right across the street from the park. 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. There's no need to sign up in advance; just sign in with Marnie when you arrive, as we do need to keep track of who was there.

Pastor's Vacations: Phil is currently away on vacation, and will be back in the office on August 4. Marnie will be away July 31 - August 4.

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.

Outside Our Doors, July 23, 2020



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. Check out the video which outlines fall plans at media.cmu.ca/nr-fall2020

CMU is committed to give every student, faculty and staff member a mask for their use in September, as needed. 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!



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Day Camps at Camp

Assiniboia. 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.



Mennonite Central Committee Manitoba

Want to learn more about how MCC is building relationships and working towards reconciliation with our Indigenous neighbours? Tune in for our next webinar, Working Towards Right Relationships, on Tuesday, August 11 at 7:00pm. Find more information at mcccanada.ca/mcc-webinar-series

How is your GO! 100 challenge going? **We've extended the timeframe until the end of August and we've seen many new challenges created so far!** Don't forget to send your GO! 100 photos to EmilyAnnDoerksen@mccmb.ca and follow our page on Facebook to see your challenge featured! Find us on Facebook at tiny.cc/Facebook-GO100.

Stay up to date with MCC Manitoba through Threads! This 15-minute radio show highlights MCC locally and globally. Listen to Threads on CFAM AM 950, CHSM AM 1250 and CHRB AM 1220 at 8:45 am every fourth Sunday of the month or find past episodes at mccmb.ca/Threads.



INTERNATIONAL WITNESS Witness workers in China finish school year from home

Praise God for another year of teaching in China for Tobia. She finished her classes and exams online from home. Pray for George and Tobia as they travel in China to visit Anabaptist study groups to encourage and collaborate on resource development.

COVID-19 awareness project reaches many churches in Congo
Evangelical Mennonite Church of Congo asks us to thank the Lord for the success of COVID-19 education workshops, which reached many of the local churches. Mennonite World Conference and Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission provided funds for the project. Thank you for your support for these projects.

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

COMMONWORD

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:

- Still Praying after all these Years: Meditations for Later Life by Susan Carol Scott
- <https://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/82/22025>
- After Prayer: New Sonnets and other Poems by Malcolm Guite - <https://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/82/2342>
- The Courage to See: Daily Inspiration from Great Literature
- <https://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/82/22343>
- The Way of Forgiveness: Readings for a Peaceful Life
- <https://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/82/22012>
- Advocating for Peace by William Janzen
- <https://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/82/21988>

Living the Declaration: A Webinar on Indigenous

Rights - <https://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/82/22566>

MCBC recently hosted this webinar, featuring Judy Wilson (Secwepemc) from the Union of BC Indian Chiefs, Romeo Saganash (Cree) who helped draft the Declaration, and Quaker advocate Jennifer Preston, who explored both the challenge and the promise of implementing the Declaration on the ground, with our communities, and in our lives.

Featured Resource:

[“Virus as a Summons to Faith” by Walter Brueggemann](#)

Brueggemann explores how the devastating effects of COVID-19 summon us to renew our covenantal relationship with God and to renew our responsibilities within that relationship. Available to borrow or special order.

[Borrowed Items Ship Free with Membership](#)

Self-isolation should not mean a lack of reading material. Have a book dropped off at your door! Online retail, loan and digital services continue during the COVID-19 pandemic.