

Home Street Mennonite Church
November 6th, 2022
Welcome to Worship



“Cherish the Daily Pleasures of Life”

Focus Statement:

In the face of death and pessimism about whether life has meaning and a higher purpose, Ecclesiastes encourages us to enjoy the daily pleasures of life, accepting them as gifts of God. At the same time, Ecclesiastes warns that inordinate pursuit of wealth and pleasure is vanity because it leads to unrest and dissatisfaction. As Christians we embrace these truths about material goods and daily pleasures, but we also affirm that in Christ our lives have a higher purpose that goes beyond daily pleasures.

Prelude

Gathering song *Come all you people* VT 2

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

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!

Song *O God beyond all praising* VT 814
Prayer Confession & Words of Assurance

Children's Story (*Children ages 3 through Grade 1 can go downstairs following the story, childcare will be provided*)
Scripture Reading: Ecclesiastes 5:18 – 6:12
Offering

Meditation
Song of Response *Amazing Grace* VT 163

Prayers of the people
The Lord's Prayer

Closing Song *The Day You Gave Us* VT 506
Benediction

We acknowledge that we gather and worship on the ancestral lands of First Nations and Metis people. We respect the Treaties that were made on these territories. We acknowledge the harms that were committed in the past and those that continue today. We dedicate ourselves to being Treaty People and moving forward in right relationship.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Phil CE	Visual Display: Michelle M, Peter F
Meditation: Sue S	A.V. Technicians: Andy BW, Matt V
Children's story: Marlene W	Ushers: Janet & Randy P
Scripture reading: Terry S	Musicians: Joel W, Gina L, Wayne G

Hearing Assistance: Those who need some hearing assistance in the sanctuary can either ask the sound technician for a headset, or use Wi-Fi-enabled hearing aids.

Inside Our Doors

1. **Upcoming Adult Education Series: Lost & Found (Nov 13-Dec 11)**

For many of us, we start out our faith journey with enthusiasm and excitement. Yet, we may experience challenges in life that make our faith shaky, or discover that a sense of confidence in our faith is elusive. What challenges have you faced in holding on to your faith? Have these challenges forced you to search for faith that has been lost, or have you experienced yourself "found" in surprising ways? What was helpful and unhelpful in the process? How do you navigate uncharted paths and commitment to the journey? These questions and more will be explored through the sharing of faith stories and a teaching on Faith after Doubt.

2. **The HSMC Congregational meeting, this Tues., Nov. 8th, 7:00 pm.** This will take place in person in the Fellowship Hall. An agenda was emailed out on Oct. 25. If you did not receive it please contact the church office. Coffee and refreshments will be available. All members and participants are encouraged to attend.

3. **Home Plate is requesting protein products for the month of November:** - canned tuna, canned salmon, any kind of canned meat, peanut butter, baked beans.

We are serving 100 individual families a month. In order to provide each family with 1 item we need to collect 100 items from the congregation.

Please leave them on the donation table at the back of the sanctuary.

4. **Small groups? We are wondering if people are interested in participating in small groups?** Topic discussion groups, bible or book studies, other specific interest groups? If you have an interest in participating in a certain type of small group or have an idea of wanting to start a small group please contact the office at 204-783-1721.
5. **The Women in Ministry Endowment Fund** of Home Street Mennonite Church provides up to \$500 of financial support to women who are exploring a vocation of Christian ministry. The awards help cover expenses such as registration for workshops or courses, books or equipment for ministry, or lodging or travel for ministry training or enrichment activities. If you might qualify as a recipient, please be in touch with Pastor Phil or with Steve P. chair of our Congregational Care Commission.
6. **Finance Update:**
As of the end of October, giving for our church budget has reached \$219,650. The great news is that this is better than last year (up 9.4%). Our budget goal for the year is \$306,356 - so we have \$86,706 to go this year. If you are able please continue to give generously to support Home Street Mennonite Church.
7. **Donations:** Donations to Home Street Mennonite Church can be made in the following ways: Cheque mailed or dropped off at the church; E-transfer made by your banking app to the email donate@hsmc.ca, if you are a new donor to HSMC please send us your mailing address or email to receive a tax receipt.
- Donations to budget last week: \$4000 Designated donations: \$100
8. **Office hours:** Tuesday – Friday 9am. – 3:00 pm. Please have bulletin announcements in by Thursday am.

This Week at Home Street

November 6	9:45 am	Adult Ed & Sunday School for Children & Youth
	10:45 am	Worship Service
7	6:15-8:00 pm	CODA (Fellowship Hall)
8	7:00 pm	Congregational Meeting (Fellowship hall)
	8:00-9:00	EA 12 Step Group (Sanctuary)
10	8:00-9:30 pm	12 Step Group (Downstairs)
11	7:15 am	Men's Prayer meeting (over Zoom, contact Bryon R.B.if you would like the link)
12	9:00 am-2:30 pm	SDA worship (sanctuary & downstairs)
12	5-7 pm	SDA Youth program

Outside Our Doors

Mennonite Central Committee

A celebration of 50 years.

Join us on November 22 at 7 pm to celebrate 50 years of MCC Thrift! This special virtual event will celebrate the history, creativity and generosity of the MCC Thrift network and our many dedicated volunteers. Register to attend at thrift.mcc.org/celebrate50.

Mennonite Church Manitoba

First Mennonite Church invites all to an in person and online Queer Theology and the Church lecture series. This series will explore how queer theology can lead the church beyond a framework of inclusion and into larger questions of justice and transformation. First of four Sunday evening lectures begins October

23. <https://firstmennonitechurch.ca/special-events/>

Canadian Mennonite University

Experience CMU, at our place – Our campus visit day takes place on November 25 from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (CDT). This includes a tour of the CMU campus, meetings with professors and current students, a financial aid presentation, opportunities for your questions and a treat from folio café! Visit cmu.ca/campusvisit.

Christmas with CMU – Saturday, November 26 at 7:00 PM (CST) at Bethel Mennonite Church (465 Stafford St., Winnipeg). This year's Christmas program will be in-person and livestreamed featuring favourites performed by a variety of CMU's music ensembles. Space is limited; free tickets are required, available at cmu.ca/christmas.

We Need to Talk – After nine months of war, are there still nonviolent options for Ukraine? Join Karen Ridd and Wendy Kroeker for a discussion of this question during CMU's interactive Zoom call-in show, *We Need to Talk*, November 16, 9:30 PM (CST). Visit cmu.ca/weneedtotalk.

CMU Festival Chorus – J.S. Bach's magnificent Christmas Oratorio, Weihnachtsoratorium BWV 248, is an awe-inspiring masterpiece for choir, soloists, and orchestra. Enjoy the choir's stunning musical rendering of the nativity story in all its rejoicing, gladness, and celebration on December 9, 2022 (in Winnipeg, MB) and December 10, 2022 (in Gretna, MB). Details and tickets available at cmu.ca/festivalchorus.

MHC Gallery's new exhibition "Thankful: moments, memories and some art", a retrospective by Ray Dirks opens November 18 at 7:30 PM at the MHC Gallery. Visit cmu.ca/gallery for more information.

Greetings Home Street Mennonite Church,



**Mennonite
Disaster
Service**

There are still ways to make a difference in the lives of disaster survivors before the end of the year! MDS has several volunteer opportunities at this time including early response work in [Southwest FL](#) and Nova Scotia, repairs in [Eastern KY](#), and long-term rebuilding and repairs in locations such as [Paradise, CA](#) and [McAllen, TX](#).

MDS Canada is currently organizing a response in Nova Scotia following Hurricane Fiona. For more information on volunteer opportunities please contact the MDS Canada Office at 204-261-1274 or by emailing cflores@mds.org.

Winnipeg Mennonite Elementary & Middle Schools

Parents of 4 and 5-year-olds, you're invited to **Winnipeg Mennonite Elementary & Middle Schools'** upcoming Kindergarten Information Night. Learn more about our part-time and full-time Kindergarten program on Monday, November 7 (in St. James) and Tuesday, November 8 (in Fort Garry). Join us during the day for tours, or in the evening for an information session.

Learn more about our Kindergarten program at WMEMS at WMEMS.ca/kindergarten.

Lindenwood Villa life lease for sale (500 Lindenwood Drive East)

Type B 1173 sq ft suite available, 1st floor

Open Houses: November 5th, November 6th, November 13th 2-4 PM

Offers: November 14th

Listing Agent: D'Anne Hansen 204-979-0432

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We need your support to keep asking the tough questions. We hope you'll join this vital work.

[Learn more about Anabaptist World Friends](#) and how to become a member today.



- **We're hiring!**
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MC Canada invites applications for Indigenous-Relations Coordinator, Communications Coordinator and Climate Action Coordinator. Job descriptions available at www.mennonitechurch.ca/get-involved#careers.

The Associate Executive Minister position is also now posted. See the link above.

International Witness

Burkina Faso church shares its work with Mennonite partners at meetings this week

This week the Burkina Faso Partnership Council is meeting in Ouagadougou, three weeks after the second coup d'état this year in the country. The Evangelical Mennonite Church of Burkina Faso has its first international missionary family working in Mali, is translating the Bible into five African languages and has a micro-enterprise project. Pray as the council envisions what collaborative ministries God is calling this international partnership to engage over the coming year. Thank God for having protected the Burkina Faso church during this turbulent time. Pray that God will continue to bless it with a strong vision for witness in Burkina Faso and beyond.

Prayer for China Mennonite Network

As deepening political changes take place in China, pray for the China Mennonite Network as they find ways to be faithful in their context.



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Gather a small study group to read the Bible together and contribute your insights in the form of marginal notes for a new Anabaptist Bible.

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CommonWord New Advent resource from Herald Press



Expecting Emmanuel by Joanna Harader. This daily devotional centers the stories of five women in Jesus' genealogy - Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, and Mary, and includes resources for exploring the lives of these women in worship, small-group and retreat settings. To buy or borrow, see <https://www.commonword.ca/go/3134>.



Worship, study, family, devotional materials - www.commonword.ca/go/2190

Do you have a drama or other Advent resource to share? Let us know
- <https://www.commonword.ca/Content/Contribute-a->

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