

**Home Street Mennonite Church**  
**Sunday August 16, 2020:**



**Worship at Home, 9:30 - 10:30**

**am:** This Sunday we continue our summer worship series, "Consider the Birds," with reflections on the story of the rooster in Matt 26:30-35; 69-75.

**Mennonite Church Canada's Worship Service** this week is from St. Jacobs Mennonite Church. Join them as they continue their summer theme of "Deadly Sins and Holy Virtues." Kevin Derksen and Chip Bender will explore the pairing of Gluttony and Self-Control through a variety of scriptural and experiential contexts. Watch at <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices>.



**Welcome Back! Next Sunday, August 23, at 11:00 am, we will once again physically gather for worship in our building!** We are excited about this time of "gathered" worship after these

long months, and we invite you to join us. For those who do not yet feel comfortable in larger groups, the service will be livestreamed and you can also join us from home.

The Pandemic Guidance Group and Worship Committee have been working hard to make our gathered worship both safe and welcoming. You can expect many of our beloved and familiar patterns of worship. We also invite you to come with a spirit of adventure, as we adapt to pandemic realities. For instance, rather than congregational singing, instrumentalists and a soloist (safely distanced) will invite us into musical reflection. We will also invite you to send congregational joys and concerns to pastors in advance, rather than personally sharing from a common microphone; this will allow us to continue safely sharing with and praying for one another.

Some details we would like you to know:

- In order to maintain social distancing, attendance is limited to 75 people and you will need to register in advance. On Tuesday, we will send you information about how to register either online or by phone. If you register after we have already reached our maximum attendance, you will have first priority the following Sunday.
- Self-screening is very important. Please do not come to church if you have any possible symptoms, if you have been in close contact with anyone who has tested positive, or if you have travelled to an area where 14-day isolation is recommended:  
<https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/>
- Everyone is strongly encouraged to wear a mask to the worship service.
- There will be a seating plan; we think this will be the safest and most efficient way of ensuring social distance. If you are not seated in your "usual place," we invite you to enjoy a new angle on things!
- Please keep personal items and any outerwear with you in the pews; we will not hang up any jackets or coats.
- For young families: The activity bags for the children will still be available and will be safely "quarantined" between church services. There will be a children's story which we will invite children to enjoy from their own pews; please prepare your children for the fact that they will not come to the front -- but they can stand on their pews! The nursery and the "youth room" behind the balcony will both be open for a limited number of families to use during the service. Please bring your own toys. The basement can also be used if children need to leave the service.

**From the Indigenous-Settler Relations Group:** Remember Bill C-262 -- a private member's bill to enact the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples into Canadian law? It failed to pass the Senate when parliament dissolved in June 2019. But the Liberal government promised to bring forward legislation to implement the Declaration. Now, MCC Canada and Mennonite Church Canada are encouraging people across the country to urge the Liberals to keep their promise. They have provided a tool for all of us to send a message to the Minister of Justice and our own MP, urging timely action that will help foster reconciliation in Canada. Members of the Indigenous Settler Relations Group are sending this message to Ottawa and encourage others from the congregation to do the same. Find the tool at:

<https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/advocacy/campaigns/prioritize-un-declaration-legislation>

### Outside Our Doors, August 13, 2020



**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.

### **Witness worker leads restorative-circle workshop this month**

Pray for Bock Ki Kim, Witness worker in South Korea, and the Chuncheon Community Peace Center as they work at restorative-circle practices in local families and schools. Pray for the three-day workshop on August 3-6, for training 20 facilitators to help in this work of healing in their communities.



**Daycamp has begun - kayaking at Camp Assiniboia**  
Daycamp has begun, and at long last, the new lake is a place of joy! Please pray for safety, joy, and learning for campers and staff.

A female CMU student is looking for room and board for the coming school year. Ideally close to CMU. Please contact Darryl at MCM ([dnbarg@mennochurch.mb.ca](mailto:dnbarg@mennochurch.mb.ca)) if you have ideas or are able to help.



### **Mennonite Central Committee Manitoba**

**Beirut:** On August 4, a large explosion killed over 200 people and injured more than 6,000 others in the capital of Beirut, Lebanon. Together, MCC and its program partners in Beirut will address rehabilitation and cleanup needs arising from this disaster. Through the Humanitarian Coalition, individual donations made to MCC in Canada will be matched up to 5 million by the Government of Canada. Donate now at [mcccanada.ca/beirut-response](https://mcccanada.ca/beirut-response).

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**Sam's Place is hosting a Used Books Sidewalk Sale during the month of August!** Reduced prices on almost all genres, and a free coffee coupon with every purchase. Learn more at [sams.place/books](https://sams.place/books).

- **August 19 & 20 - Religious, Academic, and Christian Fiction books**
- **August 26 & 27 - History, Biographies, Classics, & Fiction books**



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](https://media.cmu.ca/nr-fall2020)

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