



International Witness

New Anabaptist study groups in China

Pray for the newly formed network of Anabaptist study groups in China. Pray that study resources and classes beginning next week will strengthen and encourage people's faith. Pray that pastors and leaders guide with wisdom, led by the Spirit.

Canadian Mennonite University

CMU Wednesday Webinar 'Why CMU?'

This webinar will highlight the uniqueness of CMU as a university option – one that integrates excellence in academics, preparation for diverse career pathways, together with a vibrant experience of community and a deepening of faith and character. Explore CMU's unique features, learn more about program and degree options, and gain a sense of how CMU graduates are pursuing their goals. Wednesday, November 4, 6:00–7:00 PM (CST); find more information and register at www.cmu.ca/webinar.

Virtual Book Launch at CommonWord

Join us for a Zoom conversation with Ray Friesen on the launch of his book *Wandering the Wilderness*, November 12, 7:00 PM (CST). Former pastor and lifelong "believing skeptic," Ray will reflect on his own wilderness experiences and Brené Brown's Wholehearted living research, while offering an ancient Biblical pathway for our own desert pilgrimage. Register at www.commonword.ca/go/2159.

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Home Street Mennonite Church

November 1, 2020

Welcome to Worship



Focus Statement: The Land: Indigenous Perspectives

The land upon which our church building stands was Indigenous land, and various treaties were made and broken here. How do we need to repent for the violation of this land? What does the work of reconciliation and healing look like? To what is God calling us today?

Gathering

Welcome & announcements

Call to worship

Leader: Let us give thanks to our Creator, for the Creator is always with us.

All: Creator and creating God, you have given life to all around us.

Leader: You call us to be with you whether we are inside in the shelter of these walls or outside in the shelter of your trees.

All: God is with us when we gather together and when we are alone.

Leader: We are here to answer that call.

All: We will sing joyfully and we will listen attentively for your whispering voice.

(words from Kairos Canada)

Prayer

Song *Praise with joy the world's Creator*

Green 16

Confession & Assurance

Our Home Street home: Stories

Hearing

Children's feature

Offering

Scripture: *1 John 3:14-24*

This is God's word to the people.

Thanks be to God.

Message

Responding

Song *Praise I will praise you, Lord* Blue 76

Prayers of the people

The Lord's prayer HWB 731

Sending

Song *The peace of the earth be with you* STJ 77

Benediction

Worship Participants

Speaker: Jimmy T.

Worship Leader: Phil CE

Musicians: Brenda S., Gina L.

Children's Storyteller: Carol D.

Prayers of the People: Judith .F.E.

Ushers: Don & Jan M. Curt W.

Inside Our Doors

1. **Young families, please save the date for our first Sunday School gathering of the fall.** Home Street K - grade 6 will be gathering by Zoom on Sunday, November 8 at 10am. A link will be sent in a separate email and included in that week's Friday email.
2. **Congregational Meeting on Tuesday, November 10 at 7:00 p.m via Zoom.** The agenda will include: a report from Peter Rempel of MCM on changes and an opportunity for members to ask questions and offer feedback on how we are doing as a congregation through this pandemic. Stay tuned for more information.

Please mark your calendars for this time of communal discernment.

3. **The next Climate Action Group** meeting will take place on Saturday, Nov. 7th at 4pm on Zoom. All are welcome! Join us by Zoom. Questions? Email or call Allegra F.E.

4. Junior and Senior Youth

Plan to join youth from other MC Manitoba churches on the evening of Remembrance Day. "Remembering . . . our resolve." Guest speakers will share stories of Mennonites who have advocated for Indigenous justice in Canada. This gathering will take place on Zoom at 7pm on Wednesday, November 11th.

5. Understanding our Home Street home:

Before 1920. Many thanks to Esther Epp-Tiessen for her wonderful and informative presentation on Zoom this week. If you missed it, you can still watch the recording, contact the church office for information.

1920 – 2020: Due to the rising numbers of COVID cases in Winnipeg, we are adapting some of our plans for the celebrations of our building centennial. Brenda Su. will present her research as a virtual tour, including photos and information about architectural qualities and quirks of the church building. Watch for a link to this virtual tour in your email on November 11. (There will be no in-person tours of the building on Nov 14, as previously planned.)

6. Spirit Bear Resources: Indigenous Issues for Children

Spirit Bear resources by First Nations Caring Society:

<https://fncaringociety.com>

- Many resources including books (some downloadable for free), teacher/parent guides, & videos available on this site: <https://fncaringociety.com/SpiritBear>
- Activity book on Reconciliation: https://fncaringociety.com/sites/default/files/calendar_activity_book.pdf

KAIROS Canada: supports Spirit Bear campaign:

<https://www.kairoscanada.org/kairos-urges-support-spirit-bear-plan>

Latest News from First Nations Caring Society: First animated film of several planned - *Spirit Bear Makes History* – first public viewing on Oct 3rd, 2020 and can be seen here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rr4HwjEU8y4&feature=youtu.be>

(starts at around 38 min till end – 20 min.) Plan is to roll it out to Canadian schools in Nov 16 to 27, 2020. Check out more info here:

<https://fncaringsociety.com/films> - also includes Teacher's (or Parent's) Guide packed full of resources.

Mennonite Church Manitoba

This fall, **Camp Assiniboia is open on Sundays from 2-5 pm for anyone** who would like to come and explore its trails! Admission is free, donations accepted. Please let us know you're coming ahead of time - call David Hogue at (204) 864-2159 Ext. 3.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month Webinar Series presented by MCC Manitoba. Learn more on their website at [this link](#).



Thank-you! - Camps with Meaning "Break the Bank-uet" Online Celebration Fundraiser

We are grateful for everyone who watched and donated. Most of our camp staff continue to be laid off, so your prayers and donations to this ministry are greatly appreciated.

If you missed it is still available to watch at www.campswithmeaning.org. ~Camps with Meaning staff.

Mennonite Central Committee

Share the message "to remember is to work for peace" this Remembrance Day by wearing an MCC peace pin. To order, please call 204-261-6381 or email EmilyAnnDoerksen@mccmb.ca. Learn more at mccmb.ca/Peace-Buttons.

Join us for a special virtual Centennial Celebration on Saturday, Nov 21 at 7pm. The evening will feature a time of storytelling, music prayer and thanksgiving. Visit mccmb.ca/Events to register.

Christmas Giving guides now available! Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Christmas Giving guides, gift inserts and greeting cards are available by pre-order only. You can request physical copies of the special gift inserts and cards to be mailed directly to you or arrange a safe pick-up by contacting us at 204-261-6381 or manitoba@mccmb.ca.

Have you heard the September episode for Relief, Development and Podcast? Take a deep dive into what community means, featuring a "loaves and fishes" story from Columbia, an interview with Elaine Hofer, a Hutterite woman, and a story about the "dragon" of Addis Ababa. Visit mccmb.ca.ca/Relief-Development-Podcast or download wherever you get your podcasts.

Westgate Mennonite Collegiate

Dine and Donate: Westgate Fall Supper -- Thursday November 12th
The annual Fall Fundraising supper has been shifted to a PICK UP take out dinner for four. Learn more by visiting Westgate's website at <https://www.westgatemennonite.ca/>. This event is an important part of our ongoing capital campaign.

Donations to the Capital Campaign are always welcome and appreciated. Thanks for your ongoing support. We are so grateful to have this wonderful new building to live through this pandemic safely with our students.