

CMU News

Celebrate Stories of CMU Distinguished Alumni - Join us for an evening of alumni stories, choral music and a blessing for the academic year, followed by a reception. Hear from Ken Esau (MBBC '83), John Longhurst (MBBC '79), Joanne Thiessen Martens (CMBC '96), and Henry Neufeld (CMBC '52). Friday, September 22, 7:00 pm, Laudamus Auditorium. Follow the links under "Calendar: Fall at a Glance" at cmu.ca for more information.

Please pray for CMU students. Tomorrow and Tuesday hundreds of students from across Canada and around the world will descend onto the CMU campus to begin another term of academic studies. Pray that their learning and interaction will inspire and equip them for lives of service, leadership and reconciliation in church and society.

Need to stimulate your thinking? **Consider an evening course at CMU this fall.** Among many other courses, options available for audit or credit include *Theology of the Book of Exodus*, *Reading Christian Classics* (live-streamed), *Models for Peace and Conflict Transformation* and *Just and Sustainable Food Systems*. Go to cmu.ca/timetable for more information.

MCC News

Help displaced people in DR Congo - Armed conflict in the Kasai region of the Democratic Republic of the Congo has displaced 1.4 million people, including 8,000 Mennonites. Families left fields and animals when they fled the violence and are facing a severe lack of food and increasing malnutrition. MCC is responding with Congolese Mennonite and Mennonite Brethren relief committees. Please keep those who have been forced from their homes, and those hosting them, in your prayers.

No Way to Treat a Child - You're invited to the Manitoba launch of "No Way to Treat a Child," a new campaign calling for an end of the abuse and detention of Palestinian children. Hear their stories and add your voice: September 7, 7:00 pm – Sturgeon Creek United Church, 207 Thompson Drive in Winnipeg.

We Are All Treaty People Celebration - September 17, 2017, 1 pm @The Forks. Come out to the Forks, near the Provencher Bridge, for food, music, games and more to build and celebrate relationships, raising awareness for Treaty 1. For more information visit mccmb.ca/events

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FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH OF WINNIPEG

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

(10:00 a.m.)

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

Special Music

Blessed Savior, we adore Thee

Call to Worship

Hymn #16 (HWB)

God is here among us

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offering Hymn #389 (HWB)

Take my life

Dedication of the Offering

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Special Music

The Lord is my Shepherd (S. Liddle)

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Message

"Who is paying attention?"

Hymn #517 (HWB)

Open my eyes, that I may see

SENDING

Special Music

I love Thee (R.A Baur)

Prayer and Benediction

Hymn #397 (HWB)

God loves all his many people

Postlude

Worship Leader: Rev David Driedger

Message: Rev David Driedger

Special Music: Pearl Wiebe & Lillian Toews

Accompanist: Alana Fast

Your offering contributes to the general work of the Church, unless otherwise indicated on the envelopes provided.



TODAY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

THIS WEEK

Tue, Sept 5: **6:00 p.m. Task Force Meeting**

7:00 p.m. Fellowship Meeting

Thurs, Sept 7: **7:30 p.m. Choir Practice**

Sun, Sept 10: **10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sunday School Teacher Dedication)**

1:00 p.m. Youth kick-off

Office hours: The church office hours are Tuesday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Announcements must be in the office by Wednesday morning.

September 10th - Sunday School begins after the children's item

We need teachers for the following classes:

Age 3/5

Grades 3&4

Grades 5&6 (Sept – Dec)

The next meeting of the **Bethania Women's Auxiliary** will be held on **Tuesday, September 5th at 2:00 p.m.** in the Bethania Tea Room.

FMC Youth kick-off is Sunday, September 10!!! Grades 6+ are welcome and encouraged to come from 1-3pm to the church basement for ice cream floats and games! Friends are welcome. See you there!

Are you willing to serve as First Mennonite Church's delegate at the Mennonite Church Canada 2017 Special Delegate Assembly that is taking place **October 13-15, 2017** in Winnipeg? If you are willing, please contact Kathy Koop (204-772-2419 or kathykoop@mymts.net) **by September 14**. Delegates are expected to read the background materials and attend a meeting of all FMC delegates prior to the assembly. The registration fee is \$275 before September 15 and includes all meals. Upon request and to the extent that funds are available, Church Council may approve some financial assistance for a member to attend.

Calling all who wish to make a joyful noise unto the Lord! (albeit one regulated by a conductor) Yuri Klaz and the FMC Choir warmly invite all interested persons to come for fellowship and singing on Thursday evenings. (September-June). Rehearsals begin at 7:30pm in the choir loft. You may join for Sunday services only, Concerts only, or both Sundays and concerts! If you would like more information please email Lori Klassen at philori@hotmail.com, or speak with any chorister. Looking forward to seeing you in the loft!

Mission Sale October 1, 2017 - With our Mission Sale approaching, it is a good time to can, bake, sew or make your wonderful contributions to our annual sale! Your donations of these items as well as fresh produce, plants and herbs will be gratefully accepted on the morning of the sale, which will be held on **Sunday, October 1** after the service. Miscellaneous items should be new or gently used,

pre-priced by the donor and delivered to the church on Saturday, September 30. Any miscellaneous items not sold should be taken home by the donor at the end of the sale. Thank you for your contributions to this important event!

Bethania Group

The Bethania and Pembina place Annual Spiritual Care Fundraising Dinner will be held on Monday, September 25, 2017 at Douglas Mennonite Church (1517 Rothesay St.) Dinner – 6:00 pm. “Featured Performance by – Encore Vocal Quartet. For tickets, please contact Bethania no later than Monday, September 18th at 204-667-0795 or erna.wiebe@bethania.ca. Donations will be accepted at the event.

Mennonite Church Canada

Special Delegate Assembly 2017 (Oct. 13-15, Wpg.): Discernment Documents will be available by Sunday, Aug. 13, at www.futuredirectionsmc.ca. These documents share important background and proposals for the re-organization of our Five Area Churches and MC Canada. Register for Special Assembly by September 8 and save \$\$\$. Register online at <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/winnipeg2017>.

We need your voices! Youth are wanted at the 2017 Special Delegate Assembly, held in Winnipeg from October 13-15. Emerging Voices Initiative (EVI) is partnering with Mennonite Church Canada to invite financial support available to any youth interested in attending the gathering, with no need to apply. EVI will also be providing youth programming related to the Future Directions process. For more info and to donate, visit <https://donate.mennonitechurch.ca/project/EVI-Youth2017>.

Volunteers needed! Mennonite Church Canada is seeking volunteers for the 2017 Special Delegate Gathering held in Winnipeg from October 13-15. Interested potential volunteers please email office@mennonitechurch.ca. For more information on this gathering, visit <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/winnipeg2017>

Celebrate the 13 Teams that have already registered for Ride for Refuge Team on **Saturday, Sept. 30! Become a team captain and encourage the ministry of Witness workers who live far from home and families as they serve the church through International Minsitry.** Register at <https://rideforrefuge.org/charity/mennonitechurchca> or contact Jason Martin at jmartin@mennonitechurch.ca or (226) 747-1833.

Mennonite Church Manitoba

Mennonite Church Manitoba is accepting applications for the position of Associate Program Director of Camping Ministries (APD). The APD oversees all aspects of our summer and winter programs and provides on-going support and training to all summer program staff and volunteers. This is a 1.0 fte position. The application deadline is September 21, 2017. For more information please visit our “News” page at www.campswithmeaning.org.