

Youth Announcements:

Sunday, Sept 23 - Potluck lunch & youth; noon-2pm. Your whole family is welcome to stay for lunch!

Saturday, Sept 29 - This is a once a year occurrence, youth on a Saturday, it should be the only one! Anyways, it's the date of the **InterMenno Chaplaincy Coffee House**, which our pastor Mark von Kampen hosts each fall, and will feature musicians from our youth group or young adults at church, as well as yummy desserts! It's the same day as the Westgate Cyclathon, so whoever is interested in coming out to enjoy the music and food, I welcome you to come for a relaxing and enjoyable evening!

Thanksgiving Weekend, NO YOUTH

Canadian Mennonite magazine

Risk of a postal strike – If there is a postal strike after September 26, delivery of *Canadian Mennonite* magazine may be delayed. Subscribers are welcome to add email delivery to a print subscription. The PDF is emailed to you on the day the magazine gets printed. To add digital delivery, please email office@canadianmennonite.org and include your name, address and subscription number (see your mailing label; it begins with an A).

The **Winnipeg Children's Choir**, under direction of Judy Neufeld Urbonas, is accepting new choristers aged 8-18. Anyone interested may contact the choir for more information at www.wpgcc.ca or by phone at 204-253-0417.

"In keeping with our vision to be instruments of God's grace and our mission to minister to human beings with love and compassion, First Mennonite Church of Winnipeg commits to being a safe, welcoming and inclusive community for all persons who gather here. We celebrate the image of God in persons of every ability, age, race, gender and sexual orientation. We affirm full participation in church membership, leadership, and marriage regardless of race, gender, or sexual orientation. We commit to respond clearly, with support and accountability, in matters of harassment and prejudice. First Mennonite Church commits to being a place where faith and life can grow and flourish."

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FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH OF WINNIPEG

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

(10:00 a.m.)

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

Church Choir

Ich will den Namen Gottes loben (J.S. Bach)

(Translation - Laud we the name of God most holy. Praise we His name with a mighty anthem. Let His be the honor and thanks.)

Call to Worship

Leader: Our vision, as a people confessing Jesus Christ,

People: is to be instruments of God's grace on earth.

Leader: Our mission is to nurture believers in discipleship,

People: minister to human beings with love and compassion,

Leader: express in fellowship the meaning of the gospel

People: and invite others to become followers of Christ.

Hymn #16 (HWB)

God is here among us

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Children's Feature

Offering Hymn (insert)

Longing for light

Dedication of Offering

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Church Choir

To Thee We Call (Tchaikovsky)

Scripture Reading

John 15:1-11

Message

"To nurture or manufacture"

Hymn #163 (HWB)

Obey my voice

SENDING

Church Choir

On Eagle's Wings (Joncas)

Prayer and Benediction

Hymn #546 (HWB)

Guide my feet

Postlude

Worship Leader: Rev. Kathy Koop

Message: Rev. David Driedger

Church Choir Conductor: Yuri Klaz

Accompanist: Charmaine Bacon

Organist: Robert Neufeld

Children's Feature: Leanne Peters

Following the service, please join us for refreshments & fellowship in the basement.

Thank you to the Morija Circle for serving us today!

Your offering contributes to the general work of the Church unless designated for a fund, program or project approved by Council.

TODAY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sunday School)

11:15 am Worship Committee Meeting

THIS WEEK

Tue, Sept 18: **7:00 p.m. Evergreen Circle (Church Basement)**

Thurs, Sept 20: **7:30 p.m. Choir Practice**

Sun, Sept 23: **10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sunday School)**

12:00 pm. Church potluck lunch

KFC Update - A demolition permit has been issued by the City of Winnipeg for the KFC, and Council is finalizing a contract for this work. **Expect the demolition to occur at or near the end of September. Members should remain alert to the possibility that they are not able to park there because of the work being undertaken.** Thank you for your co-operation.

All are welcome to attend the **church potlucks** which will be held after church on the following Sundays: **Sept 23, Oct 21 & Nov 18**

***Church Photo Directory.** If you have not yet done so (or would like retakes!) **photos for the new church directory** will be taken from 11-12 in the Meeting Room on **Sept 16, 23, 30.**

*In response to the Budget Deficit Task Force's recommendation to promote the Church as a rental location, **Church Council has revisited and updated the FMC Rental Policy.** The current policy addresses guidelines, expectations and a fee schedule, and are available on the FMC website. In the past the Katherine Friesen Center was booked regularly for family functions and was licensed for alcohol consumption. In order to make the basement attractive for rental purposes, Church Council has decided to pursue approval by the Manitoba Liquor and Licensing Board so that renters can apply for a permit to serve wine at their function if they wish.*



CMU News

CMU Friends and Alumni join us for **Fall@CMU**, Sept. 21-22. Friday at 7:00 PM a 'Celebration in Story and Song', will feature the CMU Singers and stories from 4 Distinguished Alumni: Leonard Ratzlaff (MBBC '70), Brian Dyck (CMBC '83), Christine Ens (CMBC '96), Heather Unger (Concord '02). Saturday features a Farmers' Market (with over 25 vendors), Sausage-on-a-bun lunch, Alumni Reunions, Menno Cross Bike Races and Campus Tours. See cmu.ca/fall for details.

Just under 100 **International Students** will be studying at CMU this year. CMU is seeking individuals, families, or congregations willing to welcome an international student into their experience. To inquire about what a welcome might entail, contact Sandra Loepky (CMU Coordinator of International Students) at sloepky@cmu.ca or call 204-487-3300 ext. 340.

Join us at CMU for the following:

1. A *live-streamed public lecture, **Science and Faith: Conflicting or Enriching*** with Dr. Alister McGrath: Sept. 18 and 19 at 9:30 PM, Marpeck Commons. See cmu.ca/events.
2. **Face2Face**, October 10, 7:00 PM, **Whose Neighbour Am I? Treaty One and Mennonite Privilegium.** Join Niigaan Sinclair and Hans Werner as together we explore stories of Indigenous and Mennonite peoples that have been woven together through 150 years of Canadian settlement patterns. See cmu.ca/eventscmu.ca/takeandread

MCC News

Special Event: We are all Treaty People Celebration today: 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/we-are-all-treaty-people

MCC Manitoba Annual General Meeting - (Thursday, September 27 at 7 pm at 1131 Roch St, Winnipeg) - Join us at North Kildonan Mennonite Church to hear about developments in our program work and plans as well as a keynote address and personal reflection on MCC's relief work in Syria. For more information and to register delegates by September 21, visit mccmb.ca/agm or contact Nikki Hamm at 204-261-6381 or nikkihamm@mccmb.ca

MCC Manitoba Student Awards - Apply by September 30 if you're interested in work that aligns with MCC areas of focus (like peace, restorative justice, servant leadership and sustainable development). For more information and to apply, visit mccmb.ca/studentawards

Brandon MCC Relief Sale - Join us on Saturday, September 22 for the Annual Brandon MCC Relief Sale at the Keystone Centre in Brandon. For more information visit mccmb.ca/brandon-relief-sale and save the date!

Donation Summary to September 9, 2018

Month	General Fund Donations		
	This Year	Last Year	Difference
January	43,492	33,147	10,345
February	36,073	30,073	6,000
March	48,879	37,711	11,168
April	41,537	56,166	-14,629
May	38,815	44,786	-5,971
June	33,657	33,962	-306
July	24,676	32,312	-7,636
August	33,630	24,401	9,229
September - Week 1	4,020	3,696	324
September - Week 2	16,788	10,247	6,541
YTD Total Donations	321,566	306,500	15,066
	This Year	Last Year	Difference
Total Donation Budget	516,000	518,000	-2,000
Required Donations	194,434	211,500	-17,066
Weeks Remaining	16	16	0
Required Giving per Week	12,152	13,219	-1,067

BETHANIA GROUP

The Bethania and Pembina Place Annual Spiritual Care Fundraising Dinner will be held on **Monday, September 24, 2018 at Douglas Mennonite Church** (1517 Rothesay St.) Dinner-6:00 pm. "Featured Performance by – Three to One". For tickets, please contact Bethania no later than Monday, September 17th at 204-667-0795 or erna.wiebe@bethania.ca. Donations will be accepted at the event.

Mennonite Church Manitoba

Camp Assiniboia Square Dance & Pie Spectacular Fundraiser. September 22nd. 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. Camp Tour - come see the new cabins, workshop, dike and lake (still under development); 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. Square Dance, pie auction, campfire & singing. If you are able to make a pie for this event, please contact Jesse Wolfe 204-895-CAMP.

Are you a U of M student? Drop by the Menno Office (102D University Centre), where all are welcome to visit with the chaplain, make new friends, converse about faith and life, or just hang out and enjoy a cup of coffee.

Springstein Mennonite Church is celebrating their 80th Anniversary on Sun. Oct. 7. The Celebration Worship Service is at 10:30 a.m. followed by a Thanksgiving Lunch and Program at 12:00 p.m.

Mission Sale - September 30, 2018 - The organizers have expanded the scope of our mission: help our church family grow by bringing members of the Marimba family from the Congo to reunite them. This is a situation to which many of us can relate. Without the support of others, we would not have had the opportunity to worship and live the way we do here in Canada. To grow as a church family, we need to do mission work together. To assist, we have added a new element to our Mission Sale: a Silent Auction.

SILENT AUCTION!!!

This year's Mission Sale of September 30 will include a Silent Auction for the first time. In a silent auction various prizes will be displayed with a sheet of paper in front of each. Each higher bid is placed below the next until the time is up. This is another opportunity **give generously** to the work of the church while also enjoying a wonderful prize. You can bid on these for yourself, as a group or to pass on as a gift to someone else!

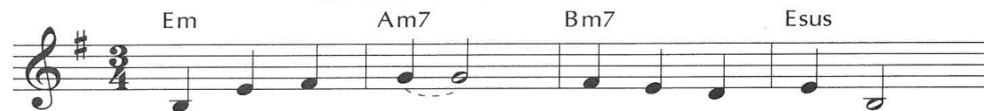
All items and services have been fully donated by FMC members and **all proceeds will to go to support the refugee fund of Missions and Service.**

Here is a list of some of the confirmed prizes for this year's Silent Auction. More details will be added closer to the event.

1. **Breakfast for 8 or overnight stay for 2** at Aspen Woodlands Bed and Breakfast (donated by Reinhard and Christine Penner).
2. **Wine tasting evening for 6.** David (certified Sommelier) and Barb Hodge will offer an evening tasting 6 different wines with bread, crackers and cheese served throughout the evening, with coffee and dessert to follow.
3. **Authentic Congolese supper for 8.** Amos Mirimba and Esther Nakitula will provide a meal for 8. This will be bid in groups of 2. The four highest bids will each win a reservation for two at this meal. Hosted at Reinhard and Christine Penner's home.
4. **Wine and Dinner out for 6-8.** Prepared and served by Louise Martens and Irene Kroeker. Hosted at Louise's home.
5. **3 artisanal cakes.** The youth group will provide three cakes (of the winner's choosing) over the course of a year.
6. **Bike tune-up/repair** by Colin Bock. Details and arrangements to be made directly.
7. **Lawnmower tune-up** by Amos Mirimba. Includes minor repairs, oil change, blade sharpening.
8. **Will preparation (total of 3)** for individual or couple by Rob Giesbrecht and Eleanor Andres.
9. **Original paintings** by FMC members.
10. **One night of babysitting** by Mapenzi Marimba
11. **Gift card tree** by the Evergreen Women

Longing for light

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT 98. 96 with refrain



1 Long-ing for light, — we wait in dark-ness.
 2 Long-ing for peace, — our world is trou-bled.
 3 Long-ing for food, — man - y are hun - gry.
 4 Long-ing for shel-ter, — man - y are home-less.
 5 Man - y the gifts, — man - y the peo - ple,



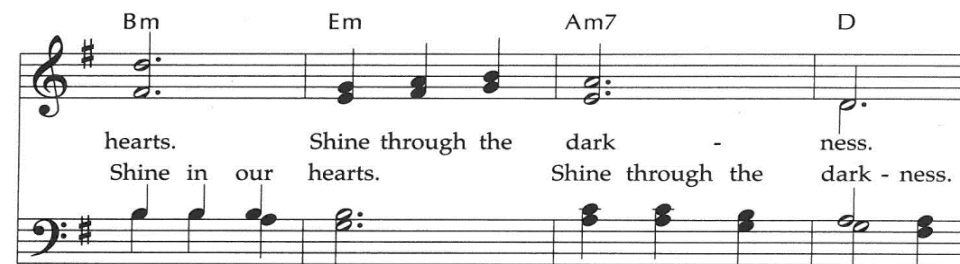
1 Long-ing for truth, — we turn to you.
 2 Long-ing for hope, — man - y de - spair.
 3 Long-ing for wa - ter, — man - y still thirst.
 4 Long-ing for warmth, — man - y are cold.
 5 man - y the hearts that yearn to be - long.



1 Make us your own, — your ho - ly peo - ple,
 2 Your word a - lone, — has pow'r to save us.
 3 Make us your bread, — bro - ken for oth - ers,
 4 Make us your build - ing, — shel - ter - ing oth - ers,
 5 Let us be ser - vants to one an - oth - er,



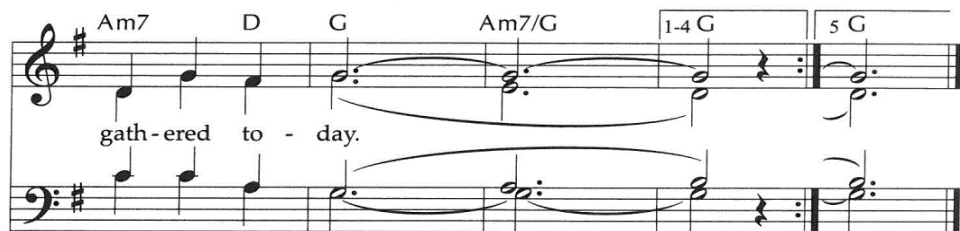
1 light for the world to see.
 2 Make us your liv - ing voice.
 3 shared un - til all are fed.
 4 walls made of liv - ing stone.
 5 mak - ing your king - dom come.



hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.
 Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.



Christ, be our light! Shine in your church



gath - ered to - day.