

Youth Announcements:

Friday, Sept 14 - Youth Kick-Off! 7-9pm at Church. Ice Cream Floats and Introductions!

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!

MHC Gallery

My Will Remains, Reflections on Chronic Illness and Disability artist talk by Diane Driedger, Wednesday., Sept. 12, 7:00 pm, MHC Gallery, 600 Shaftesbury Blvd., with Dr. Nancy Hansen, University of Manitoba

"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 9, 2018

(10:00 a.m.)

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

Special Music

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 #6 (HWB)

Here in this place

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Installation of Sunday School Teachers

Leader: Today we celebrate the greatness of our God – the one who created us with minds to learn, and who opens our hearts to be formed in ways of love and justice.

People: We are thankful for the gifts of those who created the Shine curriculum for we desire God's light to shine on our children and for their light to shine in the world.

Leader: We are thankful for teachers who teach about God's word and the way of faith. We are thankful for students who see the light of God's love unfold before them as they study. We are thankful for a congregation who encourages and supports the students in their efforts.

People: May we all look to God and be radiant. May God's light sustain our children, their teachers and our own lives in the coming year.

Leader: Together, Lord, we promise to study that we might learn to serve you faithfully. We give you all the praise, honor and glory.

All: *As our children and their teachers leave, Lord, may your light go ahead of them showing them all that you have in store. Amen.*

Offering Hymn #545 (HWB)

Be thou my vision

Dedication of Offering

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Special Music

Scripture Reading

Message

Colossians 2:6-7, 3:15-17
"A people tuned to Christ"

Hymn (insert)

Colossians 3:17

SENDING

Special Music

Prayer and Benediction

Hymn (insert)

Postlude

Peace Prayer

Worship Leader: Rev. David Driedger

Special Music: Blaine Repko

Message: Rev. Mark von Kampen

Organist: Robert Neufeld

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

Thank you to the Evergreen 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 9, 2018

**10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sunday School Teacher Dedication)
& Sunday School**

THIS WEEK

Tue, Sept 11: **10:30 a.m. Morija Circle**

Wed, Sept 12: **12:00 p.m. Tabitha Circle**

Thurs, Sept 13: **7:30 p.m. Choir Practice**

Fri, Sept 14: **7:00 pm Youth at Church**

Sun, Sept 16: **10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sunday School)**

11:15 am Worship Committee Meeting

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.

Tabitha ladies group will be meeting on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 12 noon in the church basement. **New members are welcome.** For more information contact Lillie Martens.

Bethania Women's Auxiliary will be meeting on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 2:00 pm at Bethania in the Tea Haus. New members are welcome. For more information contact Lillie Martens.

Peace Prayer

Chorus: Lord, make me an instrument,
Make me an instrument, of your peace. 2X

Where there is hatred, let me sow love
Where there is injury, your pardon Lord,
And where there's doubt, true faith in you
Please send your power of peace unto us all

Chorus

Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope
Where there is darkness, only light
And where there's sadness, ever joy
Please send your power of peace unto us all.

Chorus

Oh Lord grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved, as to love

Chorus

It is in giving, that we receive
It is in pardoning, that we are pardoned
And in dying, that we receive
Eternal life with you oh Lord our God.

CMU News

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 Loeppky (CMU Coordinator of International Students) at sloeppky@cmu.ca or call 204-487-3300 ext. 340.

CMU Friends and Alumni, join us for **Fall@CMU**, Sept. 21-22. In addition to many events on Saturday, join us particularly for the **Friday evening, 7:00 PM, 'Celebration in Story and Song'**, featuring the CMU Singers and stories from 4 Distinguished Alumni. See cmu.ca/fall for details.

Adult Learning opportunities this year at CMU include:

*CMU's **Xplore 55+ program** on Wednesday mornings in Winnipeg, Thursday mornings in Winkler. Go to cmu.ca/xplore for information.

***Israel/Palestine Tour** in Spring 2019 with Dr. Gerald Gerbrandt. See cmu.ca/met.

***Take and Read** book discussions on Faith, Fear, and Freedom.
cmu.ca/takeandread

Colossians 3:17

Jim Black

Let the words of the Lord Jesus Christ dwell in you(echo)
And whatever you say and whatever you do (echo)

**Do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,
who rose from the dead to give you new life in him.**

Let the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ rule your heart(echo)
And whatever your gift and whatever your part (echo)

**Do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,
who rose from the dead to give you new life in him.**

Let the Spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ guide your way(echo)
Whether walking by night or walking by day (echo)

**Walk in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,
Who rose from the dead to give you new life in him.**

MCC News

Special Event: We are all Treaty People Celebration

(Sunday, September 16 at 1 pm at *The Forks, Winnipeg*) - 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

All are welcome to attend the **church potlucks** which will be held after church on the following Sundays:

Sept 23

Oct 21

Nov 18

Youth activities will be starting next week, and all are welcome to join in the fun **from 7-9pm on FRIDAY, Sept 14** here at church. We'll be catching up after summer, making new introductions and enjoying Ice Cream Floats! Bring a friend if you like!

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.**

Sunday School Teachers 2018 – 2019

Age 3 to 5:

Arik Engbrecht
(Need 1 more teacher)

Grade 1 to 3:

Jennifer Derksen
Sabina Loewen

Grade 4 & 5:

Lara Schroeder
(Need 1 more teacher)

Grade 6 & 7:

Anne-Marie Klassen
Rudi Engbrecht
(Need 1 more teacher from Sept-Dec)

Grades 8 & 9:

Colin Bock
Nancy Ens

Youth:

Erika Enns-Rodine

Coordinator:

Donna Martens

We need additional Sunday School teachers for all ages. If you are interested in teaching please contact Donna Martens donna70martens@gmail.com



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 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** for individual or couple by Rob Giesbrecht.
9. **Original paintings** by FMC members.
10. **One night of babysitting** by Mapenzi Marimba
11. **Gift card tree** by the Evergreen Women

Donation Summary to September 2, 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	3,646	374
YTD Total Donations	304,778	296,203	8,575
	This Year	Last Year	Difference
Total Donation Budget	516,000	518,000	-2,000
Required Donations	211,222	221,797	-10,575
Weeks Remaining	17	17	0
Required Giving per Week	12,425	13,047	-622

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.

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.