

Youth:

Sun, Sept 15 - FMC POTLUCK LUNCH! For anyone!

Sun, Sept 22 - Ice Cream Floats in the church basement. 2-4pm, for both JR and SR youth.

Sun, Sept 29 - Decorating the church basement for the Senior's Lunch (that Tuesday). Ramen lunch, we'll eat first in the Youth Room, then move on to decorating the basement together! 11am-1pm. I will provide various ramen/instant noodle assortment, but if your kid doesn't like this option, feel free to send something else along!

We invite **current and former Elim Mennonite Church Grunthal Manitoba members** and participants to join us for a catered meal on Sunday, October 6 at noon to celebrate the burning of our mortgage! Worship is at ten, the meal at noon. A free will offering will take place for the meal. Please rsvp to either elimmenc@mymts.net, or leave a voice message at 204.434.6905 with a name and how many you are bringing. Deadline September 15, limit 200 guests

MHC Gallery

Hutterite History & Art. Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War & Our (Hutterite) Life in Art OPEN at the MHC Gallery, 600 Shaftesbury Blvd, Sept. 20, 7:30pm, with historian Dora Maendel & Kauffman Museum curator Chuck Regier. PLUS, Oct. 18, 7:30pm, MHC Gallery annual fundraiser featuring Hutterite music, speakers and food, RSVP swolfe@cmu.ca

SAVE THE DATE. MHC Gallery annual fundraiser, Fri. Oct. 18, 7:30pm, 600 Shaftesbury Blvd. RSVP to swolfe@cmu.ca.

"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 15, 2019

(10:00 a.m.)

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

Church Choir

Song of Fellowship (Besig)

Call to Worship

One: We have come to worship God, the living God,

All: Who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness.

One: We have come to praise God, the almighty God,

All: Who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.

One: We have come to worship God, all-gracious God,

All: Who chooses even you and me,
to receive and carry the Word of life and hope.

All glory to God!

Hymn #37 (HWB)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Youth Sharing/Presentation

Offering Hymn (insert)

Circle of God's People

Dedication of the Offering

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Church Choir

Hymn to Freedom (Peterson)

Scripture Reading

John 1:14

Message

"Being good news in the neighbourhood"

Hymn (Voices Together)

You call me out upon the waters

SENDING

Church Choir

The storm is passing over (Tindley)

Prayer and Benediction

Hymn #118 (HWB)

Praise God from whom

Postlude

Worship Leader: Erika Enns Rodine

Message: Rev Mark von Kampen

Church Choir Conductor: Yuri Klaz

Accompanist: Millie Hildebrand

Organist: Robert Neufeld

**Following the service, please join us for refreshments & fellowship in the basement.
Thank you to the Vereneke Vimmen 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.

THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

TODAY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

10:00 a.m. *Worship Service (Sunday School)*
Potluck lunch after coffee time

THIS WEEK

Thurs, Sept 19: 6:00 p.m. *Women's Choir*
7:30 p.m. *Choir Practice*

Sun, Sept 22: 10:00 a.m. *Worship Service (Sunday School)*

Perhaps you have enjoyed the planters and flowers in front of the steps of the church this summer. These planters were placed in *loving memory of Rita Schmidt*. Thank-you to *Harry Schmidt* and those who helped for this beautiful tribute.

Mission Sale – October 6, 2019 - The organizers are busy planning for this year's Mission Sale. As in previous years, the mission sale will offer home baked goods, candy trains, handmade cards, and other homemade items. The ***Silent Auction*** was a huge success last year and again, a number of people have donated items of services to be auctioned off this year. The funds raised in the Silent Auction will go to the Refugee fund. We are in the process of bringing members of the Marimba family from the Congo to reunite them. Many families at FMC have been refugees in the past and can relate to the importance to bringing families together. Being a hospitable congregation means that we need to do mission work together. We invite your generous giving toward supporting the mission work of our congregation and the Refugee Fund.

Circle of God's People

Camps with Meaning 2004

We're the circle of God's people
Arms held outstretched
Come join and be part of the song
One voice one hope

We're part of the new creation
God's plan for peace
Welcoming in the last and least
The circle's open

God's Spirit holds us up and
Gathers us to new community
Working around and in and through us
To re-build our unity

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Together join to spread the joy
God's people share
Share of the good news – God is here
God's listening

Canadian Mennonite Magazine

Canadian Mennonite subscriptions: All who attend First Mennonite Church may receive a subscription to *Canadian Mennonite*. The biweekly magazine is delivered in print, by email, or both. Subscriptions are paid for collectively through Mennonite Church Manitoba. To start a new subscription, add digital delivery to an existing print subscription, or switch to digital-only, please contact church office 204-772-2419.

Bethania News

The Bethania and Pembina Place Annual Spiritual Care **Fundraising Dinner** will be held on **Monday, September 23, 2019 at Douglas Mennonite Church** (1517 Rothesay St.). Dinner – 6:00 pm. “Featured Performance by: First Mennonite Women’s Choir”. For tickets, please contact Bethania no later than Monday, September 16th at 204-667-0795 or erna.wiebe@bethania.ca. Donations will be accepted at the event.

Mennonite Church Manitoba

Camp Assiniboia Square Dance and Pie Spectacular Fundraiser. Come out to the camp to move to the old-timey music, or simply explore, hangout, and win a pie. Also, help raise funds for the camp if you're able. October 5, 2019. 6:30pm. Contact Elizabeth at the camp office if you can donate pies. 204-895-2267 or camps@mennochurch.mb.ca

Douglas Mennonite Church, 1517 Rothesay St., is hosting **Faith in Form**, a Christian arts festival, on Oct. 5. Writing, visual art and film, featuring Sarah Klassen and Sally Ito, 12-6pm free. Music: Carlos and the Suspiroes/Jesse Krause, 7:30-9:30 \$15. More info at faithinformwinnipeg.com or on Facebook.

CMU News

Fall@CMU, September 27-28, offers something for everyone—students, alumni, friends and community members. In addition to many events on Saturday, join us for the **Friday evening, 7:00 PM, Community Blessing: Celebration in Story and Song**, featuring the CMU Singers and reflections from four distinguished alumni. See cmu.ca/fall for details.

Shaping a Just Canada: A Pre-Federal Election Event hosted by CMU and presented by Citizens for Public Justice. Ahead of the 2019 federal election, CPJ will be engaging voters with a town hall gathering to discuss issues related to climate justice, poverty elimination, and refugee rights. We invite you to attend to gain a better understanding of CPJ’s work and how these issues can inform your voting considerations. Sept. 18, 7:00 PM at Marpeck Commons. See cmu.ca/events.

Over 100 **International Students** from 31 countries are 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.

Sunday@CMU is a 15-minute radio program featuring meditations from current and emeriti professors, music from CMU ensembles and choirs, and interviews with faculty, staff, students, and alumni. Cheryl Pauls, CMU President, is currently featuring reflections on five Believers’ Church Commentaries written by CMU faculty. Tune in Sundays from 8:30–8:45 AM on CFAM Radio 950, AM1250 Radio, or CJRB Radio 1220, or go to media.cmu.ca anytime for links to recordings of these programs.

Return of the Silent Auction!

This year's Mission Sale on October 6 will see the 2nd annual Silent Auction. Proceeds will go the refugee fund of Missions and Service - a very important ministry. We are currently looking for prizes or donations that we can use for the auction. This can include things like:

- Baking a fancy cake or making your "signature dish"
- Donating tickets to a sporting event or passes to Folk Fest, Festival du Voyageur, WSO New Music Festival etc
- Wine basket, coffee package, gift cards etc
- Donating your time to help with light yard work, household cleaning, dog walking or babysitting etc
- A dinner or event at your home
- Music lessons, personal trainer time, sewing/knitting lessons, professional services etc
- Almost anything you can think of!

If you have something to donate, or have any questions, please contact Missions & Service chair, Lara McCabe at aniktwo@gmail.com or Rev. David Driedger at the FMC office. Last year's auction was very successful and we look forward to your donations and bids!

Donation Summary to Sept 8, 2019

	General Fund Donations		
	This Year	Last Year	Difference
Previous Months	245,543.45	300,758.50	- 55,215.05
September - Week 1	3,238.00	4,020.00	- 782.00
September - Week 2	10,103.15	16,788.00	- 6,684.85
Subtotal YTD Total Donations	258,884.60	321,566.50	- 62,681.90
	This Year	Last Year	Difference
Total Donation Budget	504,000.00	516,000.00	- 12,000.00
Required Donations Remaining	245,115.40	194,433.50	50,681.90
Weeks Remaining	16	16	-
Required Donations per Week	15,319.71	12,152.09	3,167.62