

Pre-Recorded Sunday morning video (check your email on Sunday morning for link): Julie Derksen, Kenton, Sophia & Simon Lobe will be providing this Sunday's reflection.

11:00 am – Outdoor In-Person Gathering. Please note: You are invited to come to the church yard for a time of sharing and prayer. Registration is not required to attend. There will be NO Zoom this Sunday. (However, in case of bad weather, we will shift to Zoom.)

Please bring your own chair and some drinking water. You may also want to bring an umbrella and/or hat in case there is limited space in the shade. Households may sit together - social distancing is required with anyone outside your household. Masks must be worn if you need to enter the building. Please note: In case of bad weather, we will default to a Zoom gathering.

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA Worship Service, August 1: View here:

<https://mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices>, or on MC Canada's YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIacWrD2cD6D6OIzSd486HQ>. The hosting church was not posted at time of printing.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Aug 29, 11:00 am - Baptism**

#### **CHURCH FAMILY NOTES**

The funeral service for **Greti Peters** will be held on August 5, 7:00 pm. The Zoom invitation for the funeral will be emailed out in the coming days.

Apart from a few last details, the church office renovation project is complete and Lisa, Jeff and Anita have moved back into the office space. A huge thank you to **Al Schroeder**, for leading the project and to **Jean-Louis Brunelle, David Epp, Tom Ewert, Bruno Klassen, Darryl Dyck, Cris Bennett** and **Kent Haase** for their work on the project. Thanks, too, to all **those who helped with painting**. Thank you for so generously giving your gifts and your time to this project and to the congregation.

**Name update:** Diana Epp-Fransen now identifies as gender non-binary and uses "they," "their", and "them" pronouns. They are in the process of changing their name to River Woods. If you would like more information about what it means to be non-binary, here is a website to get you started: [mypronouns.org](http://mypronouns.org). If you have further questions after reading through the website, Jill Klassen has kindly agreed to answer them for you. She can be reached at [jillk16@hotmail.com](mailto:jillk16@hotmail.com). We give thanks for River and pray that they may find care and support from our congregation. River's new email address: [river.r.k.woods@gmail.com](mailto:river.r.k.woods@gmail.com).

**Jeff Friesen** will be away on vacation July 26-August 2, August 18

**Announcements for the bulletin** should be sent Anita Epp at [office@charleswoodmennonite.ca](mailto:office@charleswoodmennonite.ca) by Thursdays, 9:00 am.

**Sharing during Worship:** If you have items that you want to have shared verbally with the congregation at either in-person or Zoom gathering, **please send items to Jeff or Lisa** (email, call or text – contact info at bottom of this bulletin) before Sunday morning.

**YOUTH: 2022 MC Canada Youth Gatherings.** Save the date! Next Summer the youth of MC Canada are being invited to gather in Alberta in two ways: a National Youth Gathering at Camp Valaqua, **July 31-August 4** (ages 12-18), and a guided Gathering Experience for young leaders (ages 16-20) in Edmonton coinciding with the MC Canada Gather, **July 28-31**. Jeff Friesen is on the Planning Team for these gatherings. If you have any questions, please contact him.

#### **Directory Updates:**

- **John & Justina Wiens:** 402 - 490 Lindenwood Dr E, Wpg MB R3P 0Y5  
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#### **MCC – MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MANITOBA/CANADA (<https://mcccanada.ca/>)**

- \* Join us this Sept 30-Oct 2 for ***MCC at 100: Mennonites, Service and the Humanitarian Impulse.***  
A virtual Mennonite Studies Conference hosted by The Univ of Wpg. To learn more and register, visit [https://mennonitestudies.uwinnipeg.ca/events/mcc\\_at\\_100/](https://mennonitestudies.uwinnipeg.ca/events/mcc_at_100/). This event is supported by MCC.
- \* Students, MCC Manitoba is awarding \$1,000 toward your ongoing studies. MCC is awarding scholarships to students working toward post-secondary degrees. Learn more <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/scholarships>.
- \* Join GO! 100 today! Challenge yourself, or a team, to complete 100 of anything before August 31 and help raise funds for peacebuilding projects around the world. Run, bake or swim. The possibilities are endless! Get started here: <https://mcccanada.ca/learn/more/go-100>.

#### **CMU – CANADIAN MENNONITE UNIVERSITY (<https://www.cmu.ca/>)**

- \* **Come work at CMU!** We are currently recruiting for several positions, including **Writer, Food Services Cook** and **Director of Finance**. Check out our employment opportunities at <https://www.cmu.ca/about/employment>.
- \* **Join the volunteer team at CommonWord!** We are looking for someone who loves interacting with customers and enjoys a retail and library environment. The Friday afternoon shift (1:00-5:00 PM) for this coming fall and winter is available. Visit <https://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/82/24306>.
- \* **Commercial space available for rent at CMU!** Located at 500 Shaftesbury Blvd. is 1200 sq ft of whimsical, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor open space with gorgeous views out dormer windows and sloping rooflines. For more information contact Julene Sawatzky at [jusawatzky@cmu.ca](mailto:jusawatzky@cmu.ca) or (204) 487-3300 ext. 342.

#### **MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA**

- **Grassroots podcast launches for Mennonite Church Canada nationwide family of faith and beyond.**  
The MennoCast creates space for connection for Mennonite Church Canada's nationwide community of faith. The pilot season features interviews with guests on the relevance of Scripture today, racism in the church, worship and *Voices Together*, and how each of us theologize in ordinary moments. Read our interview with the co-hosts here: <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/article/11941-grassroots-podcast-launches-for-mennonite-church-canada-nationwide-family-of-faith-and-beyond>

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**Charleswood Mennonite Church Affirmation Statement (Approved June 9, 2019)**

Charleswood Mennonite Church is rooted in the Anabaptist Mennonite tradition as a community of faith committed to becoming the body of Christ.

We welcome all persons to worship and participate with us. We acknowledge the image of God in every person including those of every gender identity and sexual orientation. We invite all to participate in our congregation’s practices such as baptism, church membership, church leadership, and marriage. We lament the prejudice and discrimination found in society and in the church, and we commit to holding each other accountable to the teachings and example of Jesus Christ.

We celebrate and affirm all persons worshiping with us. Together we seek to be a pilgrim community of mission, service, hospitality, grace, healing, justice, peace, and love.