

Sunday Morning Video (check your email on Sunday morning for link): Harry Huebner will be providing this Sunday's reflection.

11:00 am – Outdoor In-Person Gathering. You are invited to come to the church yard for a time of sharing and prayer. 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.

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA Worship Service, August 15: Eigenheim Mennonite Church, located near Rosthern, SK. Pastor Rachel Wallace's message "Letting Go and Pressing On" continues their study of Philippians, focusing this week on chapter 3:4b-14. She will unpack how Paul has given up his old identity and values, how this has transformed his goals in life, and asks what are key elements in your identity and what would it take for you to give those up? View here: <https://mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices>, or on MC Canada's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIacWrD2cD6D6OIZs486HQ>.

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## **CHURCH FAMILY NOTES**

### **Charleswood Mennonite Church Re-Opening Plan**

After we heard the recent Manitoba government reopening announcements (effective August 7), your COVID-19 Pandemic response team, Linda Claassen, Lisa Enns, Jeff Friesen, Rachel Klassen Huebner, Elsie Rempel, but without Julia Thiessen, met to arrive at a reopening plan for Charleswood Mennonite Church. We decided to continue with our summer worship plans, with some welcome changes for August 29 and September. We can't project further than that at this time.

As of August 29, we will have live-streamed in-house worship services and the ZOOM service will discontinue.

On August 29, the service with Baptism and Communion will be inside. Worshippers will stay masked, except when speaking from the pulpit. We will once more bring our own elements (BYOE), but some juice and cracker packages will be made available. Participation will depend on signing up on Eventbrite, as we expect extra guests of the baptismal candidates, and we currently have a limit of 150 participants indoors. The service will be live-streamed, without congregational singing, but with music led by masked singers.

To participate in our September services we will require all participants aged 8 and up to wear a mask, and recommend that younger children do so as well. Speakers will remove their masks behind the pulpit to improve communication. We hope to be able to hum along for the hymns. Our services will provide a blend of live and pre-recorded elements, especially as we rebuild our music ministry. We hope that transitioning to live worship with some video will be both practical and healthy as we all adjust to a new normal.

Sunday school plans are in development and the recruitment process is underway.

**Martin Sawatzky** has recently been admitted to Misericordia Health Centre, and is awaiting transfer to a permanent Supportive Housing unit in the city. He is doing well, but requests that any visits wait until he has settled in his new home. *Submitted by Roland Sawatzky (Martin's son)*

**Titus and Karen Guenther** will be completing their move to Ontario in the next few weeks, and as of September 1, their new address will be: 3002 Meadowbrook #2, Windsor ON N8T 3G8.

August 15 will be their last Sunday with us at CMC, and we want to offer them our prayers and gratitude as we prepare to say farewell to them. It has been good to be church together with you, Titus and Karen, and we wish you well! Until we meet again...

### **August 20 & 21 Workdays to get the Church Ready**

Calling helpers for a workday: Our dear church building has been somewhat neglected during the pandemic, but now it is time for some tidying, so we can use it well again. The church kitchen needs tidying up, and the cupboards need to be put back into order. Sunday School rooms need to be readied for use again, chairs need setting up for worship in the sanctuary in the way they were in pre-pandemic times. If you can help us reclaim our worship space in this way, please show up on Friday, August 20, between 10 and 3, or Saturday, August 21, between 10 and 12. Contact Elsie Rempel at [eprempe@gmail.com](mailto:eprempe@gmail.com), to let her know if you can come. There will be homemade cookies, served safely outdoors.

**The Memorial Service for Greti Peters** is accessible online for those who missed it on August 5. The following links are for the various parts of the service:

1. Recording of the Memorial Celebration on Zoom:  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/wr1s6n1g4nfdnjp/%20Margaret%20Peters%20Memorial-Zoom%20Recording.mp4?dl=0>
2. Opening Slideshow:  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/u4i1o0oieytrmx/%20Margaret%20Peters%20Opening%20Slideshow.mp4?dl=0>
3. Joshua Peters - J.S. Bach, Violin Sonata No.3 in C major-iii. Largo BWV 1005:  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/a27t0vk9xc94d36/%20Joshua%20Peters-J.S.%20Bach%20Violin%20Sonata%20No.3%20in%20C%20major-iii.%20Largo%20BWV%201005-verb.mov?dl=0>
4. Laura Bruno-Du bist die Ruh v1, Schubert:  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/fgamuo7dcmlizvx/%20Laura%20Bruno-Du%20bist%20die%20Ruh%20v1-Schubert-verb.mov?dl=0>
5. A Pictorial Celebration of Margaret Peters (Slideshow):  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/ug7ih66hcej1v5/%20%20Margaret%20Peters-Movie2.mov?dl=0>

**Plans for Sunday Seminars 2021-2022:** All are welcome to participate. Watch for announcements with details about each series and about our meeting modes - whether in-person at the church and/or with video conferencing. For more information contact Peter Rempel at [phrempe@gmail.com](mailto:phrempe@gmail.com).

- Sept 12 - Oct 3: *The Many Faces of Worship in Voices Together* with Elsie Rempel
- Oct 10 (Thanksgiving): Open
- Oct 17 – Dec 19: *Germinating Conversations* with Kenton Lobe
- Dec 26 (Boxing Day) and Jan 2: Open
- Jan 9 – Feb 6: *End of Life Issues* with Lisa Enns and Cornel Rempel
- Feb 13 - Apr 24: To be determined. Perhaps focusing on some of the congregational priorities, including engaging young adults.

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

### **NEW ADDRESS:**

- **Kim & Jonathan Fast:** 57 Kingston Row, Winnipeg MB R2M 0S7.  
Kim 204-806-8059 / Jonathan 204-806-5805

## UPCOMING SCHEDULE FOR IN-PERSON & ZOOM GATHERINGS

- **Aug 22, 11:00 am – Zoom Gathering**
- **Aug 29, 11:00 am – In-Person Gathering at church. Baptism & Communion:** The baptism candidates are Alayna Smith, Josh Fast, Seth Dyck, and Sofia Bogoya Enns. Details TBA.

### CHURCH BUDGET UPDATE

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| Income budgeted end of July         | \$203,249        |
| <u>Actual income to end of July</u> | <u>\$166,268</u> |
| Difference                          | \$36,981         |
| Actual income to end of July 2020   | \$186,341        |

- Ways to donate:**
1. Cheque: Mail to 699 Haney St, Winnipeg MB R3R 0Y7
  2. Account transfer at Crosstown Credit Union
  3. Canada Helps website: [canadahelps.org](http://canadahelps.org)
  4. E-transfer: Send to [donations@charleswoodmennonite.ca](mailto:donations@charleswoodmennonite.ca)

## MENNONITE CHURCH MANITOBA/CANADA

\* **Worship Gatherings in support for Water Protectors: Sun., Aug. 22, 2:00-2:45 pm.** *Pray, Learn, Support, Resist.* Join Hope Mennonite's Justice Team in one of three simultaneous services as we give gratitude to Water Protectors who are defending waters and wild rice beds in Minnesota from the Line 3 pipeline expansion. Each service includes prayers, songs, a scripture reading, and actions. You are invited to RSVP to one of the following virtual or in-person gatherings: (You may contact Jeff Friesen for more information)

- 1) **At TD Bank** (648 Notre Dame Ave) to connect with those funding fossil fuel expansion in the midst of a climate crisis. Contact [allegra.friesenepp@gmail.com](mailto:allegra.friesenepp@gmail.com) or [sheinrichs@mennonitechurch.ca](mailto:sheinrichs@mennonitechurch.ca).
- 2) **The Enbridge Line 3 Pumping Station** at Gretna Manitoba, our own Manitoba part of Line 3, where we will plant seeds of change. Contact [regehrcc@gmail.com](mailto:regehrcc@gmail.com).
- 3) **Zoom.** Join the Zoom Service to show your gratitude for – and support of – those protecting water and wild rice beds. Contact [freedkirsten@gmail.com](mailto:freedkirsten@gmail.com) or [lisa@hopemennonite.ca](mailto:lisa@hopemennonite.ca).  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81194547358?pwd=dVpKRzVHYnptWVUyNGxkc09Vd0hYZz09>

\* **Steinbach Mennonite Church is hiring an Associate Pastor of Children and Youth Ministry.** For more information, please visit [www.steinbachmennonite.ca](http://www.steinbachmennonite.ca). If interested, please send résumé and cover letter to [steinbachmennonite@gmail.com](mailto:steinbachmennonite@gmail.com).

\* **Springfield Heights Mennonite Church is looking for a Director of Children and Youth Ministries.** For more information, please visit our website <https://springfieldheights.ca/jobs>. If interested, please send résumé and cover letter to [jose Luis@springfieldheights.ca](mailto:jose Luis@springfieldheights.ca). Deadline: Aug. 13.

\* Do you know a university student who is still deciding where to live in Winnipeg this fall? **Emmaus House has two openings for the 2021/22 Academic year.** It is a place that immediately feels like home and where you'll find good food, friends, and lots of laughter. Great walking access to U of W and bussing to U of M. [www.emmaushousewinnipeg.ca](http://www.emmaushousewinnipeg.ca) or call 204-272-9191 and ask for Rod or Susan.

## CAMPS WITH MEANING ([www.campswithmeaning.org](http://www.campswithmeaning.org))

\* Camps with Meaning invites applications for three permanent positions at Camp Assiniboia: **Head of Maintenance, Food Services Coordinator, Custodian/General Assistant.** Find the job description at <http://www.campswithmeaning.org/news/job-opportunities-maintenance-kitchen/>.

\* **Casual Kitchen Staff required at Camp Assiniboia** starting Sept. 1. For more information contact David Hogue at 204-782-3019 or [assiniboia@campswithmeaning.org](mailto:assiniboia@campswithmeaning.org).

**MCC – MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MANITOBA/CANADA** (<https://mcccanada.ca/>)

\* Join the MCC UN Office for an Online Global Student Seminar on Sept 30 and Oct 1. Listen in on topics about climate change, conflict and peacebuilding. Learn more at <https://mccmb.ca/events>.

\* Sign up for the **18<sup>th</sup> Annual MCC Manitoba Golf Tournament** today! Join us for a day of golf, prizes and dinner on September 9th to support families impacted by the Beirut explosion. Register at <https://mccmb.ca/golf>.

**MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA**

- **News from our partners: 35 years of peacemaking: Christian Peacemaker Teams** is celebrating 35 years of action! To mark this anniversary, we're hosting an online **Peacemakers Congress on Sept 25, 11 am-3 pm CST**. There will be interactive workshops, team panels, an exciting keynote speaker and an auction! CPT couldn't do its work without the amazing support of so many communities and friends. Join this celebration! Details and registration: [www.cptaction.org](http://www.cptaction.org).

• **INDIGENOUS-SETTLER RELATIONS**

- **WEBINAR: On the Frontline with Indigenous Water Protectors: Stories of Accompaniment from Line 3 and Unist'ot'en: Aug 19, 6 pm CST**. As creation groans from global heating, Indigenous peoples around the world are defending waters and lands from fossil fuel expansion projects. Mennonite Church Canada and Christian Peacemaker Teams were recently on the frontlines in Minnesota and Wet'suwet'en territory. Join us for a webinar to hear stories from team members' experiences and to discuss what it means for settlers to support Indigenous-led action. Free registration at <https://cptaction.org/on-the-frontline-with-indigenous-water-protectors-stories-of-accompaniment-from-line-3-and-unistoten/>.

**CMC CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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**Anita Epp, Administrative Assistant**  
Thu & Fri mornings

**DEACONS:**

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| Kim Fast .....                    | 204-775-6107 | Henry Kliewer .....        | 204-451-2694 |
| Rudy Friesen .....                | 204-488-0916 | River Woods .....          | 204-996-7574 |
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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 worshipping with us. Together we seek to be a pilgrim community of mission, service, hospitality, grace, healing, justice, peace, and love.