

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA

- **Gathering 2022 (Edmonton).** *We Declare: What We Have Seen and Heard* is the theme for Gathering 2022 in Edmonton, July 29 to August 1. The webpage for the event is now live: www.mennonitechurch.ca/gathering2022. Learn about our speakers and what you can expect for our next nationwide gathering in Treaty 6! Read our press release here:

<https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/article/12098-mennonite-church-canada-announces-theme-for-gathering-2022-in-edmonton>.

• INTERNATIONAL WITNESS

- **Whose Land, Whose Promise? Palestine, Justice, and the Bible.** MC Canada Palestine-Israel Network and three partner advocacy groups are hosting a two-part online series Sept. 19 and Oct. 2, at 12 p.m. EDT /9 a.m. PST. Resource persons include Palestinian pastor-theologian Alex Awad, political science professor Ron Dart, and professor Dan Epp-Tiessen of Canadian Mennonite University. Register: <https://bit.ly/3BbaFOc>.

- **MKC postpones assembly due to security reasons.** Meserete Kristos Church president Desalegn Abebe asks for prayer for peace in Ethiopia. Due to security problems in the northern and western parts of the country, the MKC General Assembly planned for late August is now postponed. Pray for church leaders that continue to visit and encourage the church in various regions of the country.

• INDIGENOUS-SETTLER RELATIONS

- **Ongoing struggle in Minnesota against Canadian pipeline development.** More than 600 people have been arrested or received citations over protests amid growing opposition to the Line 3, a proposed oil sands pipeline expansion by Enbridge to bring Alberta tar sands oil to Wisconsin, through wetlands and the treaty territory of Anishinaabe peoples, through the Mississippi River headwaters to the shore of Lake Superior. Native American tribes and Indigenous-led environmental organizations such as Honor the Earth are leading opposition efforts in court and on the ground. Learn more:

<https://www.stopline3.org/#intro>.

CHARLESWOOD MENNONITE CHURCH

September 5, 2021 ~ Worship Service 11:00 am

Worship Leader: Lisa Enns

Guitar: Jeff Friesen

Technician: Kent Haase

Reflections: Camps with Meaning Staff

Song Leaders: Julia Thiessen, Sophia Lobe

Ushers: John & Edna Peters

Experiencing God at Camp

GATHERING

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship & Invocation

Song

REFLECTING ON GOD AT CAMP

Introduction

Scripture: Job 12:7-10; Matthew 6:26

Video Snippets

Camp Song

Scripture: Exodus 3:1-5

Video Snippets

Camp Song

Scripture: From Psalm 104

Video Snippets

Camp Song

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

Our Resources

Our Prayers

Announcements

SENDING

Song

Benediction

Postlude

~ PLEASE LEAVE HYMNBOOKS ON THE SEATS ~

CHURCH FAMILY NOTES

There is a **wooden desk in the church foyer** that is no longer needed in the office. If you or anyone you know is interested in having it, you are most welcome to come and pick it up this week. Please call the office or one of the pastors to make sure someone is in the building.

It's almost Sunday Seminar time (9:30 am)! What better time to think and talk about our shared worship life than now when we are returning to our sanctuary and establishing a new normal. MennoMedia has a very helpful four part curriculum to help us in this process. Focus questions for September 12 are as follows: What are the different aspects of our corporate worship at CMC? How does our worship at CMC connect us with God, one another, and the world? We will gather in the Sanctuary, Sunday morning at 9:30 am or via Zoom. Please let me know if you'd like to join via Zoom so I can adjust my teaching style accordingly at eprempe@gmail.com.

CMC Technology & Website Committee: Charleswood Mennonite Church Council has recognized a need to leverage technological solutions, where suitable, to better serve the congregation. The Technology and Website Committee was formed to address this need. Kent Haase, the committee chair, extends an invitation to consider joining this committee. Some responsibilities can include:

- Managing the various accounts (email, Zoom, YouTube).
- Performing the Zoom, audio and live streaming functions for various church activities.
- Recognizing church or congregational needs where a technological solution might be implemented.

Please contact Kent for further details. kent.haase@fastmail.net

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.

Youth Announcements

Amplify! giving voice to what we've seen and heard – introducing our theme for the Mennonite Church Canada nationwide youth (gr. 6-12) gathering, **July 31- August 4, 2022**, at Camp Valaqua, AB. Isaiah 40:3-5 will guide us as we spend time in the tall trees, meeting God in nature and creation: A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord". Together, youth from across Canada will find their voices and raise them in raucous joy during worship, games and prayer. Follow us online at <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/amplify> for the latest updates and news or contact the *Amplify!* event planner: Joani Neufeldt youth@mennonitechurch.ca

MENNONITE CHURCH MANITOBA/CANADA

MC Canada Nationwide Worship Service, September 5: Altona Bergthaler Mennonite Church. Using Romans 8:18-28, the service explores the groaning of creation during the pandemic and shares the hope we have in the resurrection of Jesus, the first fruits. View here: <https://mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices>, or on MC Canada's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIacWrD2cD6D6OIzSd486HQ>.

MCC – MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MANITOBA/CANADA

- * **Looking for a new opportunity?** MCC is hiring a Director of Human Resources and a SEED Community Development Worker in Bolivia. For more details and other information visit <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/openings>.
- * **Students, you could earn \$1,000 or more toward your ongoing studies.** MCC is awarding scholarships to students working toward post-secondary degrees. The MCC Manitoba Scholarship is due on Sept 30. Learn more at <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/scholarships>.
- * **Join MCC Manitoba for our 57th AGM.** We invite you and your congregation to be represented at the meeting on Sept. 23 via Zoom from 7-9 pm. For more information visit <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/events/mcc-manitoba-agm>.
- * **Pack a Bucket of Thanks with MCC this fall.** Fill a bucket with essential relief supplies and help support vulnerable families impacted by emergency and disaster. Learn more at <https://mcccanada.ca/buckets-thanks>.

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

- * **Please pray for CMU students** who are starting their new academic year on Sept. 8, 158 of whom are heading into their first year of studies.
- * **Xplore: At the Intersection of Faith and Life:** A 55-Plus Enrichment Program. Xplore offers courses that investigate dimensions of the Christian faith, our world, and life in it. All without any assignments or examinations! Xplore happens in a six-week block, with online courses offered Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings, beginning October 5. Join us! www.cmu.ca/xplore.
- * Want to do some in-depth Bible study or delve into key theological questions? Consider taking a course through CMU's Graduate School of Theology and Ministry for person enrichment, professional development or for academic credit. For more information and to register, go to www.cmu.ca/gstm.