

## MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA

### • INTERNATIONAL WITNESS

- **Pray for our siblings at international schools.** As classes resume this fall, please pray for the faculty, staff and students in schools that Mennonite Church Canada Witness connects with internationally: Benin Bible Institute, Meserete Kristos Seminary, Bethlehem Bible College and Seminario Biblico Menonita de Colombia.

### • INDIGENOUS-SETTLER RELATIONS

- **Sept 27 – Oct 1: Truth and Reconciliation Week.** Hosted by the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, this five-day national event is geared for Grades 5-12 participants and educators, and will initiate vital conversations on Indigenous treaties, First Nation, Métis and Inuit land claims and the residential school system. This online event will provide historical workshops, exclusive video content, and activities for students — all supported by artistic and cultural performances by Indigenous artists. You can join for an hour or two, or for the full week of learning. See <https://nctr.ca/education/trw/Week> for more info.

## CHURCH CONTACTS

Please submit announcements/order of worship  
by 9:00 am **Thursday**

Church Office ..... [office@charleswoodmennonite.ca](mailto:office@charleswoodmennonite.ca); 204-837-7982  
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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.

## CHARLESWOOD MENNONITE CHURCH

September 26, 2021

Education Hour 9:30 am ~ Worship Service 10:45 am

**Worship Leader:** Julie Derksen

**Story Teller:** Elsie Rempel

**Technician:** Kent Haase

**Speaker:** Lisa Enns

**Song Leader:** Bob Wiebe

**Pianist:** Verna Wiebe

## GATHERING

Welcome and Introductions

Call to Worship: VT 853

Leader: If you are delighted to be here,  
and if you are tired or troubled,

**People: you are welcome.**

Leader: If your faith is strong,  
and if your faith is battered or frail,

**People: you are welcome.**

Leader: If you are eager to praise God,  
and if you need to be quiet,

**People: you are welcome.**

*All: God welcomes us all to worship today  
and promises to meet us here.*

Hymn: VT 56 *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song*

## HEARING THE WORD

Story

Hymn: VT 87 *O Praise the Gracious Power*

Scripture: James 5:13-20, Psalm 19:7-14

Sermon: "Healing our Community Muscle"

Naming Ritual

## RESPONDING

Hymn: VT 36 *Let Us Build a House*

Prayer of Confession

Offering

Sharing and Prayer

## SENDING

Announcement

Hymn: VT 722 *Help Us to Help Each Other*

Benediction

~ Please leave hymnbooks on the seats ~

## TODAY (Sept 26)

- **Following the Worship Service - Conversation about Covid.** Please bring a lawn chair and your own mug with you for an outdoor conversation about Covid. What has this pandemic done to us individually and as a congregation? How do we balance safety concerns with hospitality? How do we embark on good ways forward in this post pandemic season in which Covid is still with us? We will offer coffee and tea. Feel free to bring your own snack or light lunch. Facilitators: Rachel Klassen Huebner and Kenton Lobe.

## COMING EVENTS

- **Next Sunday (Oct 3), 10:45 am – World Communion Sunday.** We look forward to celebrating the Lord's Supper as a congregation and with our global faith community. We again ask that you bring your own elements (bread/crackers, grape juice/wine).
- **Oct 10 – Thanksgiving.** You are invited to bring items for which you are thankful to display at the front of the sanctuary for our Thanksgiving worship service.

## CHURCH FAMILY NOTES

**David Friesen**, aged 100, father to **James Friesen** and grandfather to **Jeff Friesen**, **Alex Friesen** and **Kate Friesen** passed away on Sept. 18. We ask for God's nearness as **James and LeAnn**, **Alex and Naomi**, **Kate**, **Jeff and Jeff**, **Felix and Miles** gather together in Edmonton to celebrate the life of their father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

**Thelma Enns** is back home from the hospital.

**Telephone Directory Updates:** The Church Directory provides a picture of what our church family currently looks like. It helps people put names to faces as well as provide contact information. Please submit your contact information (if it has changed) or if you are new to Charleswood Mennonite Church. You are also invited to submit a photo of your household if a new one is required. **Please send updates and photos by Sept. 30 to Anita Epp [office@charleswoodmennonite.ca](mailto:office@charleswoodmennonite.ca).**

**The Young Adults** are gathering at the Forks on Wed., Sept. 29, 7:30 pm for food at drinks at the Commons. For those interested in biking together we will meet in front of Laura Secord School (Wolseley Ave.) at 7:10.

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

## Lindenwood Villa Suites Available:

- \* **3rd Floor C unit:** 938 sq. ft. 2 bed/1 bath. For appointments please call Claude Davis at 204-228-2814 or email [claudedavis@royallepage.ca](mailto:claudedavis@royallepage.ca).
- \* **1st floor B unit:** 1173 sq. ft. 2 bed/2 bath. Please call D'Anne Hansen 204-979-0432. Church member open house Oct. 3, 1-2 pm. Public: Oct. 3, 2-4 pm.

## CHURCH BUDGET UPDATE

Income budgeted end of August	\$232,279
<u>Actual income to end of August</u>	<u>\$189,358</u>
Difference	\$42,921

Actual income to end of August 2020 \$206,639

- 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

- \* **Woven (Mennonite Women Manitoba) Kick Off their new Woven Wednesday Series**, entitled *Faith: Yours, Mine and Ours*, on Wed., Sept. 29, 8:00 pm. We invite MCM women to join with our guests, Margie Hildebrand and Marika Veith, in exploration of the images of God we've held, hold and hope for. Hosted by Kathy Giesbrecht, our 45 min. together will include both guest input and question and response time. For Zoom Room Link contact: [kgiesbrecht@mennochurch.mb.ca](mailto:kgiesbrecht@mennochurch.mb.ca).
- \* **Join an MCM Gratitude Group.** Every second week for six weeks on Zoom. 40 minutes of joining others in encouragement and sharing gratitude. Led by Laura Funk, MCM Spiritual Director-in-Residence. [www.mennochurch.mb.ca/events](http://www.mennochurch.mb.ca/events) for much more info and to register.
- \* You are invited to join three groups of Manitoba musical artists joining forces to raise funds for MCC programs in Haiti through the **Canadian Foodgrains Bank**. This virtual *Singin' in the Grain* concert will premiere on World Food Day, Oct. 16, 8:00 pm, and is available at [www.foodgrainsbank.ca/singing](http://www.foodgrainsbank.ca/singing). Join us from the comfort of your home, and reach out with your gifts to share some of that comfort with those less fortunate.

## CAMPS WITH MEANING ([www.campwithmeaning.org](http://www.campwithmeaning.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 descriptions on the Camps with Meaning website [www.campswithmeaning.org](http://www.campswithmeaning.org).
- \* **Casual Kitchen Staff required at Camp Assiniboia** starting September 1st. For more information contact David Hogue at 204-782-3019 or [assiniboia@campswithmeaning.org](mailto:assiniboia@campswithmeaning.org).

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

- \* Register for CMU's first **Virtual Open House** of the school year! **Wed., Sept. 29, 4:00–5:00 pm**. It will include a virtual tour of CMU's campus, live questions and answers with Admissions team members, faculty, and current students. Open to students, parents, siblings, teachers, and school counsellors. Register at: [cmu.ca/virtualhopenhouse](https://www.cmu.ca/virtualhopenhouse) . For in-person Campus Visit Days: [cmu.ca/campusvisit](https://www.cmu.ca/campusvisit).
- \* **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 - without any assignments or examinations! Xplore happens in a six-week block, with online courses offered Tues, Wed, and Thur mornings, beginning Oct. 5. [cmu.ca/xplore](https://www.cmu.ca/xplore).
- \* **CommonWord** (9:00 am–5:00 pm) **and folio café** (8:00 am– 4:00 pm) are open to the public. The rest of the CMU campus is closed to the public due to the pandemic. The library remains closed to the public, except by appointment.

## MCC – MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MANITOBA/CANADA

- \* **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>.
- \* **You are invited to attend an MCC centennial conference!** Sept 30–Oct 2: *MCC at 100: Mennonites, Service, and the Humanitarian Impulse*, a virtual conference hosted by the Centre for Transnational Mennonite Studies at the University of Winnipeg. For more program details and to register to attend, visit <https://mennonitestudies.uwinnipeg.ca/events/>.
- \* **Are you a recent high school grad?** In January, MCC will be offering a six-month discipleship program for 18-20 year olds. Based in Bethlehem, the Seek program will help you discover the beauty and brokenness of the world, while living in community and ministering to others. Find out more and apply by Oct. 31 at <https://mccmb.ca/seek>.
- \* MCC is hiring! We're looking for an Advocacy Research Intern and a Refugee Sponsorship Monitoring and Evaluation Associate. For more information, visit <https://mccmb.ca/openings>.

## AMBS – Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary ([www.ambs.edu](http://www.ambs.edu))

- \* **A Worship Leader's Introduction to *Voices Together*: Oct. 27-Dec. 14**. This six-week online short course explores the worship resources, styles and approaches that form the unique culture of a church community. Participants will gain insight into how their worship can grow in vitality through understanding the function of items in the *Voices Together* hymnal. Taught by Katie Graber, PhD, and Anneli Loepp Thiessen, MM, co-directors of the Anabaptist Worship Network. Sign up by Sept. 29 to save \$50. <https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/worship-leader-introduction-voices-together-short-course> .