

Prayer for the World

- **Continued prayer for Myanmar** - With news of increasing violence in Myanmar, we invite you to continue to pray for the people of Myanmar. Pray also for our nationwide siblings in our community of faith, many of whom are still unable to reach their family members in Myanmar. We invite you to reach out with encouragement to: Calgary Chin Church, Alta. Chin Christian Church, Kitchener, Ont Grace Christian Church, Ottawa, Ont Kitchener Emmanuel Church, Ont. Living Hope Christian Fellowship, Surrey, B.C.

- Anabaptist resources in Mandarin growing

The number of Anabaptist resources available online in Mandarin is growing. We are thankful for a small group of Chinese writers that are beginning to add to these. Pray for these writers, their writing will have an impact far beyond their congregations.

- Witness worker teaches restorative justice to school board committees

Witness worker Bock Ki Kim, together with others in the Chuncheon Community Peace Center, has been invited to visit all 17 school boards in the area to talk about restorative justice/education with committees involved with student violence and conflict. Pray for Bock Ki as he does this training every Thursday and Friday until the end of May.

- Income-generation in Thailand

Income-generation training and discipleship training go hand in hand in the church communities of northeastern Thailand, served by Witness workers, Tom and Christine Poovong. Pray that the trained leaders will find ways to support their families and become strong anchors in their communities.

If you would like to add or remove any prayer requests, please contact the church office.

We have been given permissions to use the logo from the MCManitoba AGM on our bulletin for the next weeks.

Altona Mennonite Church

Vision

God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

Purpose

*We seek to know God through Jesus, the center of our faith.
We seek to follow God in community, through worship, fellowship, and interpreting the Scripture from a Christ-centered point of view, in the Anabaptist tradition.
We seek to obey God by working toward peace and reconciliation, in the spirit of Jesus, reconciling all people to God, to each other, and to the world around them.*



**Rooted in Christ
Reaching Out in Love**

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Second Sunday of Easter – Doubting Thomas?

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn VT #359 Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing

Call to Worship and Prayer of Invocation

Hymn VT #350 The Strife is O'er

Scripture Readings: Psalm 133; Proverbs 3:1-6

John 20:19-29,

along with the singing of VT #360 Who are These

Meditation: 'Doubting' Thomas

(by Steve Bell; read by Mick Friesen)

Hymn VT #355 Thine is the Glory

Prayers of Confession and Assurance, and

Prayers of the People

Hymn VT #356 Be Not Afraid

Benediction

Worship Leader: Norma Thiessen

Speaker: Mick Mierau Friesen

Musicians: Dave & Hildie Regehr, Mary Costen, Margruite

Krahn, Ken & Elaine Loewen

Sound: Nathan Loewen

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Altona Mennonite Church is on Treaty One Territory.

Worship & Meeting Events at AMC

April 18 – Worship Service

Scripture: Acts 3:12-19; Psalm 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48

Speaker(s): Dan Kehler *Worship Leader:* Elaine Loewen

Musicians: Marilyn Houser Hamm, Gina Enns *Sound:* Henry Rempel

April 25 – Worship Service

April 28 – 7:30 pm Leadership Council meeting

Birthdays: April 16 – Kareena Loewen

AMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Zoom Coffee times (either Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning) have been suspended for the time being. Stay tuned for a new plan.

- From the treasurer:

Thank you again for supporting the work of the Church. You may contribute online if you bank at Access (using your 7-digit phone number as your account number) make an e-transfer to amchurchdonations@gmail.com, or send or bring a cheque to AMC (Box 1237, Altona, ROG 0B0)

WIDER COMMUNITY & MISC. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Spring at CMU is online Tuesday, April 13, 7:00 PM CDT.** Join us at www.cmu.ca/springatcmu to hear stories from students, faculty, and alumni including a spotlight on Science (Can you spot a good scientist?); CMU Singers' premiere of *Breathe* by Leonard Enns (commissioned by the CMBC class of 1970); and some campus humour. Be inspired and drawn into the CMU's mission and vision in this 45 minute, online program!

- **April 29, 5 – 7 pm, Gardens on Tenth Drive-Thru Mexican Fundraising Fiesta** – Drive in off 5th St NE, south entrance, pick up food, make a donation, enjoy.

- Camps with Meaning Summer Staff applications are on the CwM website. Visit www.campswithmeaning.org and follow the Summer links.

- **Campers are registering for summer camps and this means we also need staff and volunteers!** Kitchen and maintenance help, camp pastors and health officers are needed for one-day pop-up camps in various locations and week-long day camps at both camps. Head to www.campswithmeaning.org Summer

- **Looking for a get-away? Camp Assiniboia has beautiful family cabins** that are available for individuals or groups who live in the same household. For rental information, please contact Linda Dueck 1-204-864-2159 ext. 2, or email: carentals@campswithmeaning.org

- Eden Foundation's Virtual Concert is ready for viewing online. Type Eden Foundation into the YouTube search bar. The concert features Danny Plett of 'Teach Beyond' (a Janz Team program) along with a group of musicians presenting contemporary Christian worship music. Along with this professional ensemble, a number of people have shared stories of their personal mental health journeys. Donations may be made on-line, by e-transfer or by regular mail.

- **A spring MCC Golf Yard Sale is being held on May 14 & 15th, at 7 Mercury Bay.** You are invited to donate golf clubs or other golf related items that you no longer need. Donations may be dropped off at the Selkirk Ave MCC Thrift Shop or Sargent MCC Thrift Shop or at 7 Mercury Bay. If you have questions call Ron or Connie Loepky at 204-261-4949 or 204-296-4949. All proceeds go to support the work of MCC.

- **Seeking Justice Together** is a virtual conference hosted by Citizens for Public Justice from May 17 to 20 exploring how we are called to seek justice together through intersectional, interpersonal, and interconnected approaches.

Through a variety of keynotes and workshops, participants will explore living examples of what it looks like to seek justice as people connected to one another and to the lands in which we live. We will consider how our identities, histories, systems, and geography shape our experiences of power and privilege, and how this informs the ways in which each of us are called to seek justice together. Speakers and facilitators will address issues of racism, Indigenous/settler reconciliation, 2SLGBTQQIA+ rights, disability rights, poverty in Canada, climate justice, and refugee rights.

Register at cpi.ca/seeking-justice-together.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- Jim & Marlene Dyck are living at Katherina Courts until their house is repaired. They are grateful for the prayers, emails and phone calls they have received. They are doing well.

- Pray for Ken & Marianne Braun and Mike Tarnick who are at Eastview.

- Ken Hamm has returned to the Altona hospital. Karen Martens is allowed to bring him suppers. This has helped his appetite. Pray for return of strength and peace.

- Pray for all those for whom mental health makes daily life a struggle. The current situation increases anxiety for many.

- Pray for those who experience physical pain, and for friends and family who help with their care.

- Many of our church family have other people they are concerned about. Pray for healing, strength and calm for all.

Prayer for Our Community

- Pray for ALL the teachers, students and staff as they navigate all the regulations and requirements.

- Pray also for the Health Care Providers.

- Pray for Doug Klassen (MCCanada's Executive Minister) and for church leaders at all levels of our conference.

- Michael Pahl is the new MCManitoba's Executive Minister.

- **Camps with Meaning Leadership Team announced**

Janet Peters, Assoc Program Director - Camps with Meaning is pleased to announce the Leadership Team for our 2021 Summer Camp program. Please pray for these young leaders as they begin to prepare for another interesting summer.

Summer Program Directors: Nic Harder (River East (MB)) and Katie Wilson (attending Home St), Bible Instructor: Johanna Klassen (First), Nature Instructor: Scott Warkentin (Home St), Coordinator: Trey Dornn (attending Westview Christian Fellowship in ON), Coordinator: Carrie Schulz (Home St), SLT Directors: Claudia Dueck (Douglas) and Dylan Peters (Bethel), TV Director: Mackenzie Nicolle (Home St)