



Altona Mennonite Church

Worship Service 11:00 am

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We Declare

Prelude
Call to Worship

VT #180 This Is God's Wondrous World
Psalm 19:1-4a
VT #790 How Can We Be Silent

I Corinthians 9:19-23
I John 1:1-7
Sermon Talking about faith Dave Regehr

VT #466 The Bread We Break Is Telling
Sharing communion

Prayers of the congregation
VT #761 I Love to Tell the Story
Benediction

Worship Leader: Ray Hamm
Musicians: Dave & Hildie Regehr
Technician: Loren Braul

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Altona Mennonite Church is on Treaty One Territory.

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.*

WORSHIP & MEETING EVENTS AT AMC

July 24 10:30 am **Sunflower Festival Worship Service in the park, so no service at AMC**

July 31 Long Weekend, no service at AMC, community groups are encouraged to meet again.

August 7 – Outdoor service, at Gallery in the Park.
Details to follow.

August 14 11:00 am Worship service of Scripture and Song
Worship Leader: Lori Hiebert *Scripture:* 1 John 4:7-21

Musicians: Loren & Lori Hiebert *Technician:* Dale Klassen

August 21 11:00 am Worship Service at AMC

August 28 11:00 am Worship Service at AMC

Birthdays: July 18 – Darlene Klassen, Gina Enns; July 20 – Sydney Hildebrand; July 22 – June Schwartz; July 23 – Kim Batchelor

Anniversaries: July 19 – Rudy & Elfie Krahn, Albert & Marilyn Bergen; July 20 – Don & Ang Enns

AMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We thank Dave & Hildie Regehr for their many years of caring for our congregation. They are moving to Winnipeg to begin a new chapter of their life. We wish them God's blessings. We will miss them. A more formal farewell will happen in the fall.

- **From the treasurer:** Thanks again for your faithful giving. Inflation seems to be hitting all of us, even church budgets. Insurance, utilities and office expenses, 3 examples of non-discretionary expenses, are up over \$2,000 since this time last year, so even without a pastor, we have not yet climbed out of that line of credit. Conference and affiliated donations for the second Quarter are due at the end of June, so please continue to give generously as you are able.

- You may contribute online if you bank at Access Credit Union (using your 7-digit phone number as your account number), make an e-transfer to amchurchdonations@gmail.com, or send a cheque to AMC (Box 1237, Altona, MB, R0G 0B0).

- Ray and Marilyn Houser Hamm have accepted the role of Spiritual Care Coordinator at The Gardens. They started their position in The Apartments at the end of May and are now familiarizing themselves with their roles and responsibilities in Eastview and at the Altona Memorial Health Center. We wish them God's blessing in this new role.

WIDER COMMUNITY & MISC. ANNOUNCEMENT

- With the Manitoba Sunflower Festival taking place again in 2022 we are excited to announce that we will once again be having a community worship service on Sunday July 24 at 10:30am. The service will take place in the park by the main stage.

- **MHC Gallery's** next exhibition is: "Mennonite Village Photography: Views from Manitoba, 1890–1940" by Mennonite Historic Arts Committee. The exhibit runs from June 24 to September 10, 2022. Visit cmu.ca/gallery for more details.

- Our volunteer applications have been slow this spring, and **we are still in need of Kitchen staff, Maintenance staff, and Camp Pastors** for many of our summer weeks. We also urgently need Health Officers (EMTs, nurses, doctors, First Aid trainers) at Koinonia in July and August. Visit www.campswithmeaning.org/staff

- Recovery of Hope, along with the support of Eden Foundation, is very excited to be able to host our third annual cycling event in Winnipeg. This is a fundraiser that supports the Sliding Fee Scale Program of Recovery of Hope, making counselling therapy accessible and affordable to all those who are seeking it.

When: Saturday, September 24, 2022, 9:00 am

Where: [Bethel Mennonite Church](#) parking lot, between Harrow and Stafford, north of Taylor Ave in Winnipeg.

For more information, and to register for the ride, please visit [Ride for Recovery of Hope 2022 - Eden Foundation Inc \(edenhealthcare.ca\)](#)

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- We pray for our future pastor and for the search committee.
- We pray for Henry and Margaret Rempel. Henry's cancer has returned. He will be taking a daily chemo pill as treatment.
- We pray for the seniors in our congregation who aren't able to worship with us in person these days: Ken & Marianne Braun who are at Eastview; Jean Tarnick who is in her suite at Gardens on Tenth Manor.
- We pray for those who are grieving.
- We pray for those whose mental health and physical health make daily life a struggle.
- We pray for the family care-givers.

Prayer for Our Community

- Pray for all the Health Care Providers.
- Pray for Doug Klassen (MCCanada's Executive Minister) and for church leaders at all levels of our conference.
- Pray for Michael Pahl, our MCManitoba's Executive Minister.

Prayers for the World

- **Korean church group celebrates meeting in person** Mennonite Seoul, a worshipping community facilitated by MC Canada Witness workers Bock Ki Kim and Sook Kyoung Park, is rejoicing in their ability to have an in-person retreat this July after much time apart. Pray that God will bless and guide this important time of fellowship.

- **Derek Suderman sharing resources with Thai believers** - Pray for Derek Suderman, from Conrad Grebel University College, as he travels to Thailand and spends two weeks with Friends of Grace pastors and lay leaders exploring the relevance of the Old Testament for modern Thai believers. To support the sharing of teaching resources with global partners, go to <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/giving> and designate your donation "Short Term Ministry – Grebel."

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