

Prayers for the World

Every week AMC receives emails from organizations doing the work of the church throughout the world.

Pray for (and go to their websites to learn so much more)

Mennonite Church Manitoba
Mennonite Church Canada
Mennonite Central Committee
Mennonite Disaster Service
Canadian Mennonite University

- Pray for the people of Palestine and Israel - escalation in violence - Please keep the people of Palestine and Israel in prayer in the wake of a sudden escalation of violence in Gaza and the West Bank--rooted largely in decades of Israel occupation and violation of human rights and international law. For your information and action, please [read the letter](#) from the Mennonite Church Canada Palestine-Israel Network to Ottawa, calling our government to consistency of word and action in promoting a just peace in the region. (MC Canada PIN)

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

Altona Mennonite Church

Vision

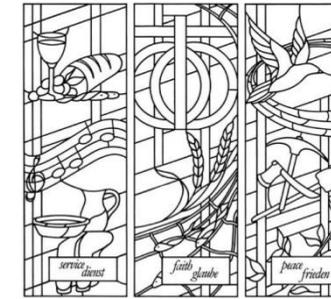
God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

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.



Altona Mennonite Church

Worship Service 11:00 am

VOLUME LXI No.27

August 14, 2022

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God. 1 John 4:7

Prelude

Welcome

Words of introduction to today's service

Hymn VT 7 Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing

Call to Worship*:

Leader: Loved by one another,

People: we discover God's love for us.

Leader: Accepting God's love for us,

People: we are called to love one another.

1 John 4:7-21 read from NRSV

Hymn VT 258 Love Has Come

1 John 4:7-21 read from The Message

Hymn VT 638 Love Divine, All Love Excelling, vs.1,2

Prayers of the People – Sharing God's Concern for the World**

Leader: God we pray for your earthly family,

People: that they may know the fullness of your love

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Altona Mennonite Church is on Treaty One Territory.

1 John 4:7-21 read from Easy-to-Read
Hymn VT 749 Jesus Christ is Love Divine

Reflection – God Speaks to Us in Bird and Song (VT 539)

1 John 4:7-21 read from First Nations version
Hymn VT 388 How Can I Say

Announcements

Hymn VT 714 Let There Be Light
sung to OLD HUNDRETH (Praise God from whom)

Benediction***

Hymn VT 802 Draw the Circle

Postlude

Worship Leader: Lori Hiebert

Musicians: Loren & Lori Hiebert

Scripture Readers: Sandra Klassen, Elliot Rempel

Technician: Dale Klassen

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WORSHIP & MEETING EVENTS AT AMC

August 18 7:15 pm Worship Committee meeting

August 21 11:00 am Worship Service at AMC

Worship Leader: TBA *Scripture:* TBA *Theme:* For Love of

Creation: Taking Action on the Climate Crisis *Guest Speaker:*

Musicians: Marilyn Houser Hamm, Elaine Loewen *Technician:*

Kevin Neufeld

August 24 7:30 pm Leadership Council meeting

August 28 11:00 am Worship Service at AMC

Doug Klassen speaks (via video)

September 4 Community groups meet

Birthdays: August 15 – Nathan Loewen; August 17 – Marilyn Bergen; August 19 – Marianne Braun; August 20 – Kathy Heinrichs, Dara Neufeld

Anniversaries: August 16 – Harv & Kathy Heinrichs

AMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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.

- 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).

- Steve Wiebe is willing to do your yard work or some odd jobs if you have them. Contact him by text at 204-304-6894 or by email at wiebesteven6@gmail.com

- We received a phone call of gratitude this week. In June we had a guest speaker from MCC Manitoba. They called to express their appreciation for the financial gift they received for coming to speak and wanted that passed along.

WIDER COMMUNITY & MISC. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Join the Pedal Dash Paddle Fundraiser for Camp Covid Recovery.** Sept 18 at Camp Assiniboia. This mini-adventure race is designed for competitive and less competitive racers. Visit campswithmeaning.org to learn more and to register.

- **Save the date! The annual We Are All Treaty People Celebration will take place at the Forks on Sunday, September 18.** Come out for a family friendly afternoon event with music and performances, food, Indigenous arts, crafts and more!

- **Xplore: At the Intersection of Faith and Life** – Xplore offers life-long learning courses investigating dimensions of the Christian faith, our world, and life in it—all without any assignments or examinations! Join one or more of our six courses in-person or online Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings, beginning October 5. For information and to register visit cmu.ca/xplore.

- **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.

- The Lumber River Quartet from North Carolina will be presenting some fine southern gospel music and some great stories of God's goodness on Sunday, August 28th at 7:00 pm in the Altona EMM Church. Everyone welcome. No admission price, but donations very gratefully accepted.

- 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 \(edenhealthcare.ca\)](http://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.