

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)

- **De Jongs guide new graduate program at MKS** - As Witness workers Werner and Joanne De Jong return to Ethiopia for the beginning of the school year at Meserete Kristos Seminary please pray with students and faculty. MKS will begin a graduate program this fall semester. Pray for the De Jong's leadership as they guide this process.

- **China leaders face more pressure from govt-** Church leaders in China are experiencing barriers and pressure from the government that they haven't seen in decades. Please remember them in your prayers and consider supporting them through the Mennonite Church Canada Witness program of leadership development from an Anabaptist perspective.

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

Altona Mennonite Church

Vision

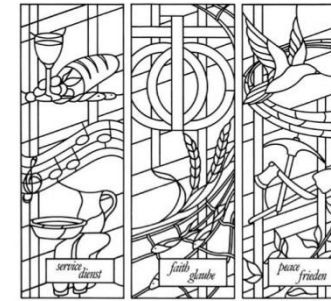
God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

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.



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Worship Service 11:00 am

VOLUME LXI No.28

August 21, 2022

Called to Care for Creation: A Faithful Response

GATHERING IN PRAISE

Prelude

Call to Worship VT#185 Ps.104

Hymn VT#182 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Prayer of Invocation

Welcome & Announcements

RECEIVING THE WORD

Hymn VT#529 God, Who stretched the Spangled Heavens

Scripture John 16:12-13; Acts 17:24-28; Romans 8:19

Hymns VT#788 The Garden Needs Our Tending Now

VT#732 Open My Eyes st. 1,2,3,5

Message

A Faithful Response to the Climate Crisis

Jack Heppner

RESPONDING WITH OUR LIVES

Prayer of Confession VT#901

Hymn VT#652 Before the Waters Nourished Earth

Prayers for the World & One Another

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Altona Mennonite Church is on Treaty One Territory.

SENDING

Hymn VT#828 There's a Wild Hope in the Wind
Benediction VT#822 Romans 15:5-6
Postlude

Worship Leader: Marilyn Houser Hamm
Musicians: Marilyn Houser Hamm, Elaine Loewen
Technician: Kevin Neufeld

WORSHIP & MEETING EVENTS AT AMC

August 24 7:30 pm Leadership Council meeting
August 28 11:00 am Worship Service at AMC
Worship Leader: Andrea Hildebrand *Guest Speaker:* Doug Klassen speaks on "Losing and Finding" (via video) *Musicians:* Mary Costen, Gina Enns *Technician:* Loren Braul
September 4 Community groups meet
September 11 11:00 am Worship Service,
guest speaker Michael Pahl
September 18 11:00 am Worship Service

Birthdays: August 27 – Hildie Regehr, MaryGrace Rempel

Anniversaries: August 22 - Don & Barb Wiebe, Wayne & Tracy Bergen; August 25 – Dale & Sandra Klassen

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

WIDER COMMUNITY & MISC. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **It's not too late! CMU is still accepting applications for fall 2022 classes.** Whether full- or part-time, while on a gap year, check out our course offerings at cmu.ca/courses. Apply at cmu.ca/apply.

- **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.

- **OR Volunteer for the Pedal Dash Paddle Fundraiser.** We need parking attendants, food servers, and more people for course marshaling. Contact Dorothy Fontaine at dfontaine@mennochurch.mb.ca or call 204-895-2267 if you're able to help.

- **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))

- You are invited to **MCC Manitoba's 58th Annual General Meeting.** Join us at Sterling Mennonite Church, Winnipeg on September 22 for an evening of storytelling and reporting on the work and growth of MCC Manitoba. For more details and to register, visit mccmb.ca/agm.

- This fall, **give the gift of a relief kit** with [Buckets of Thanks!](#) Help MCC meet the overwhelming needs of displaced people by giving a tangible gift of essential hygiene supplies to a family who has been forced to flee. Pack a bucket or sponsor the cost of supplies with your family, Sunday school class or care group to extend your gratitude this Thanksgiving. Go to mccmb.ca/events, or email simonethiessen@mccmb.ca.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- We pray for our future pastor and for the search committee.
- Crystal Kehler's father is back at home recovering after last Sunday's emergency trip to the hospital.
- 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.