

PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

WMC FAMILY:

*... **Julius Bergman**

*... Health, healing, comfort: **Lisa Heide**

*... "Thank you to all who called with kind words, who prayed for us, who brought us food and snacks while we were down with the flu! We felt your love."

Pastor Wes and family

Our Community... Semester ending exams are not far away, projects and essays are coming due, bringing added anxiety and stress to students and teachers.

Support and encouragement are strong components in success.

... *Seasonal flu's* are cutting a wide swath, may strength and energy return to many who are suffering.

Wider Church....

... **Mennonite Church Canada's** Indigenous-Settler Relations (ISR) gathering in Sioux Falls, South Dakota—June 4-6, 2020. Would you like to join a bus trip to this theological gathering intended for pastors and activists, young and old? Contact sheinrichs@mennonitechurch.ca

... Pray for **Lynell Bergen**, pastor, Hope Mennonite Church, Winnipeg, who is teaching several courses at **Meserete Kristos College in Ethiopia**.

... **Natural disasters** caused by excessive snow, fire, and water are happening throughout the world, causing hardships and loss. Support both physically and mental is in great demand.

WMC's Identity Statement:

'With our feet firmly planted in our Anabaptist and Mennonite beginnings, we work to reach out with our hands to welcome and lift up all who come here. We encourage one another with the heart of Christ to learn and to grow in spiritual maturity **and to take amazing risks for God.**'

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Whitewater Mennonite Church



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Andy Neufeld

Message:

Pastor Wes Goertzen

Music:

Catherine & George Heide

Children's Feature:

Lisa Heide

January 26th, 2020 @ 10:45 a.m.

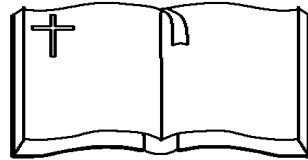
1 Corinthians 1:10-18 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Supporting Texts: Psalm 27: 1, 4-9, Isaiah 9: 1-4, Matthew 4: 12-23

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

About the Bible Anagram



truth, bible, stories, promises, teaching,

- hrttu _____
- bbeil _____
- eiorsst _____
- eimoprss _____
- aceghint _____
- aeemnssttt _____
- eerssv _____
- bkoos _____
- ahorstu _____
- acehprst _____

testaments, verses, books, authors, chapters



2020 WMC Bible Read Through: 2-1-1 plan.

27th(Monday) Gen 1-2, Ps 1, Mt 1; 28th (Tuesday) Gen 3-4, Ps 2, Mt 2. And on to next Sunday's readings Gen 13-14, Ps 7, Mt 7

This first week will see you read all the pre-history, the story of how it all began and, sadly, what went wrong and hints at how God will redeem the sad situation of God's creation. We'll read prologue to the Psalms (Ps 1 & 2--note their differences) and get a little ways into Book 1 which is dominated by David's songs and prayers. While often associated with praise, our first psalms are wisdom literature and cries-for-help. They encourage us to speak honestly and humbly to God. And, they warn us that God does take sides in questions of justice and righteousness...at least, that is the psalmist's hope! The Matthew readings cover a lot of ground!

What are three major beginnings recounted this week? How are they related? What is God up to?



TODAY	~	Welcome!
	~	Communion, Annual Meeting & shared lunch
Jan 29	~	Bell 'Let's Talk'
Feb 6	~	Prayer / Scripture Reading, 7pm @ WMC
	~	26 ~ Ash Wednesday
Mar 7	~	MCM Annual Delegate Gathering 2020, Altona Bergthaler MC

Activities & Interests ...

WMC:

- a. **WMC Sewing Circle meeting January 30, 1:30 pm.** A very important discussion regarding the future of this group, in terms of; where are we at, where are we going, how to continue. Seeking positive ideas & prayerful consideration. All opinions matter!

Community....

- 1. **MCC 100 Year Celebration** – Highlites on CJRB every Monday, Wednesday, Friday @ 9:20am
- Over 1,000 comforters were collected from the 'Great Winter Warmup'

MCC Thrift Store Volunteering: Come, serve & experience the love of Jesus through volunteering at the Thrift Store. No matter the age, there are many roles to fill and a wonderful manager, Shelly, who looks after everyone. Thanks to current & future volunteers for your service. Amy Loewen marc.amyloewen@gmail.com

Boissevain Youth: Stuart Burnett 557-7486 stuart_burnett@live.com
 Bible Studies resume January 7, 2020: Tuesdays: Jr - 3:30-5pm, Sr - 7-9pm
 Jan 31 - Jr Team Game Night
 - Sr Youthquake Registration Deadline

"Getting closer to God might mean getting told to love someone I don't even like, or to give away even more of my money. It might mean letting some idea or dream that is dear to me get ripped away." — Nadia Bolz-Weber,

Accidental Saints: Finding God in All the Wrong People