

## PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

### WMC FAMILY:

- \*... **Robert Bergman**
- \*... Health, healing, comfort: **Stuart Burnett**, **Phil** (Rita's Bro-in-law)  
**K C** (John R's friend)
- \*... Many in our community have experienced surgeries and are on the healing pathway, support through prayer is limitless.
- \*... "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 over, now it's on to and exciting subjects and projects to end the 2019-20 year.  
*Support and encouragement* are strong components in success.

... *Seasonal flu's* have brought difficulties for many including institutional lockdowns. The WMC Sewing Circle has distributed the poem,  
**'The Lonely, The Old, The Forgotten'**.

### 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
- ... **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.**'

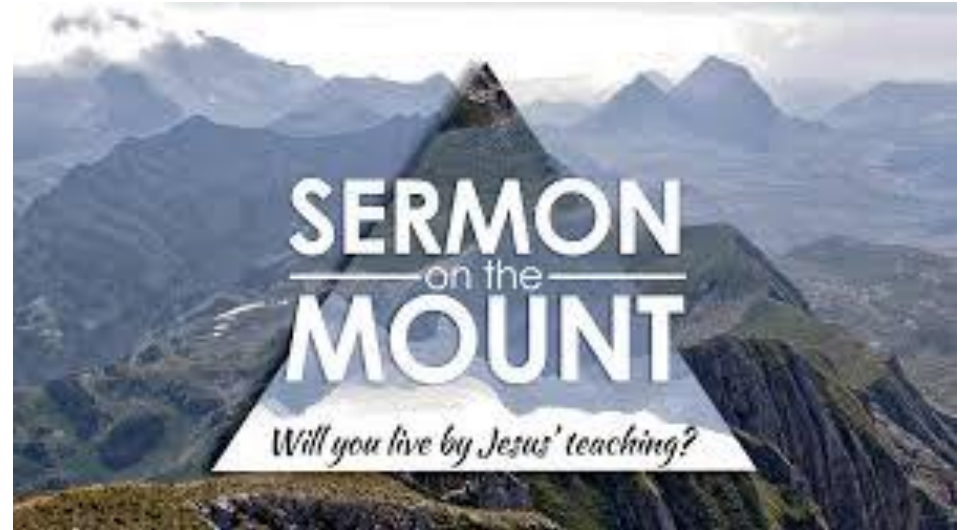
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Church Booking? Contact Matt or Herman

## Whitewater Mennonite Church



Worship Leader:	Lorraine Reimer
Message:	Pastor Wes Goertzen
Music:	Heather Heide
Children's Feature:	Lisa Heide

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 @ 10:45 a.m.**

**Matthew 5:1-12 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:  
 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."  
 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."  
 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth."  
 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled."  
 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy."  
 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."  
 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."  
 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."  
 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account."  
 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.  
*Supporting Texts: Psalm 15, Micah 6:1-8, 1Corinthians 1:18-30*

MATTHEW CHAPTER FIVE

B L I F L U F P C R C A N D L E	ALTAR	HUNGER
A Y N I W E R R E H H I F Y T	BLESSED	INHERIT
G W F C Y O L W A E I S T L D R	CANDLE	KINGDOM
T N O I P I A I A T C L E A A O	CANNOT	LEAST
R E I H R R E V V I T S D L N D	CHILDREN	PERSECUTE
S E E D D O E D P E L O L R G D	COMFORTED	PROPHETS
U T J K E N L L E A R E N S E E	DANGER	RACA
S H R O R E E G F T E E P N R N	DESTROY	REJOICE
C A A E I S C K I T R I G T A Y	DISCIPLES	REVILE
R B T D E C I X U N R O H N O C	EARTH	REWARD
I R L P V N E C E I H I F R U F	EXCEEDING	SAVOUR
B A A E G A E E T H R E T M A H	FALSELY	SCRIBES
E C S D S S L E A S T S R T O T	FATHER	SPIRIT
S A O E R S U T T I E S H I I C	FULFIL	THIRST
J M R E A M E R S D E E A R T H	GLORIFY	TRODDEN
E V P W O R L D G N R U O V A S	HEAVEN	WORLD



On Falling behind & getting ahead (in our Bible read through): Please, don't...worry. The point of reading scripture is to know God, and learn our place in the story. A further point of our WMC read through is to take courage and learn wisdom through our solidarity in reading and to learn simple obedience (a loaded word, I know!) That said, please don't stop reading if your heart is warmed, and you have the time. But, slow down and periodically circle back to where we're at. If you fall behind, don't worry about catching up, just begin again at the current reading. Scripture (by the Spirit) and Word are living and catch you up in God's story wherever you're at. As even the ancient pagans said, "In him we live and move and have our being." (Acts 17:28)

**Wk 2 reading starts->Monday, 3 Feb: Gn 15-16, Ps 8, Mt 8.**



**TODAY ~ Welcome!**

- Feb 6 ~ Prayer / Scripture Reading, 7pm @ WMC
- Feb 26 ~ Ash Wednesday
- Mar 7 ~ MCM Annual Delegate Gathering 2020, Altona Bergthaler MC

**Activities & Interests ...**

**WMC:**

- a. **WMC Sewing Circle:** Seeking positive ideas & prayerful consideration to determine future direction. All opinions matter!

**Community....**

1. **MCC 100 Year Celebration** – Highlites on CJRB every Monday, Wednesday, Friday's @ 9:20am  
  
**MCC 'Great Winter Warm-up'**: Comforters collected to date – Manitoba ~ 2,150, Grand total ~ N America + Europe = 7,200

*"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*

Boissevain Youth: Stuart Burnett 557-7486 stuart\_burnett@live.com  
 Bible Studies resume January 7, 2020: Tuesdays: Jr - 3:30-5pm, Sr - 7-9pm  
 Feb 7 - Sr Wheat Kings Game