

PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

WMC FAMILY:

- *... **Connie & John R Dyck**
- *... Health, healing, comfort: **Will** (*Hedy & Edie's Bro*)
- *... **Congrats!**
John & Lorraine Reimer, newly born G-daughter '**Nora Arabelle**'
- *... **Ron** (P Wes' dad) - journey to the Congo.

Wider Church....

- ... **MCM Annual Delegate Gathering:** prayers for those who are planning, prospective delegates and the hosts. May this time of discernment be filled with wisdom and understanding.
- ... **MCM Executive Minister Search** – requesting support through prayer as the process begins to replace Ken Warkentin. Search Committee members: *Colleen Edmunds, James Friesen, John P. Klassen (Chair), Nadya Langelotz & Karen Schellenberg.* Opportunity to suggest feedback - Contact P Wes
- ... Over the last weeks, the eyes of Canadians have turned to **Wet'suwet'en territory** in north-central British Columbia as the Crown, RCMP and Coastal Gaslink have sought to remove Indigenous land defenders from their homelands in order to continue work on a natural gas pipeline. Many in the church have questions about how to understand the situation. History has long denied a quick easy resolution. <https://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/43/21981#>
Acknowledging our presence on the lands of the Cree, Ojibway, Dakota, and Metis nations, on Treaty lands, covenanted between Indigenous and settler peoples in 1871 is vital to this understanding. These host nations have shown us much grace.

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



Worship Leader:	Heather Goertzen
Message:	P Wes
Music:	Peter G Dyck
Children's Feature:	Lisa Heide

February 23rd, 2020 @ 10:45 a.m.

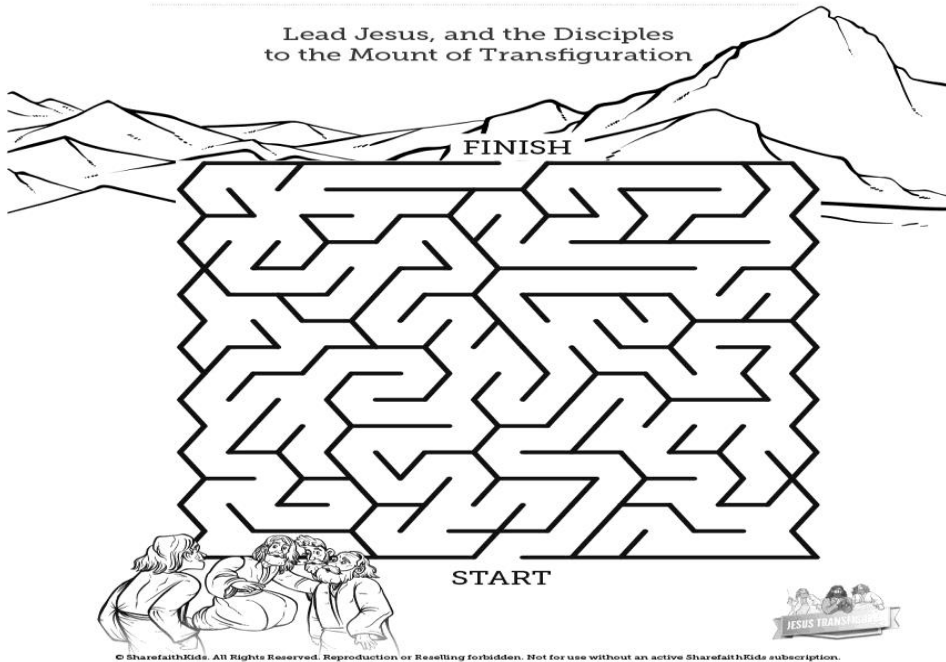
Matthew 17:1-9 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Supporting Scripture: Psalm 99, Exodus 24:12-18, 2 Peter 1:16-21

JESUS TRANSFIGURED

Lead Jesus, and the Disciples to the Mount of Transfiguration



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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 28 - Sr ~ Valentine's Banquet, Ninga Rink
 Youth are looking for snacks, contact Stuart!

*"Listen to Jesus and follow Him. That is the message of the transfiguration".
 Pope Francis*



Listening part 3:

I was listening to a podcast in which a composer was speaking about his music in an audio bible app: Dwell (no, this isn't an ad). He differentiated between comprehension and apprehension of scripture. Reading tends to focus on understanding, figuring out, exactness. While we listen to comprehend as well, it's harder since the words just keep flying by. So we're drawn into the mode of apprehension, soaking it in, grabbing on to what we can, processing on the go. The comprehending bit we might call Bible Study, the apprehending bit we might call devotional reading, or...getting to know God.

Monday's readings: Ex 7, 8, Ps 29, Mk 1.

Lent kicks off with Ash Wednesday. Take 5 minutes to get the ashes imposed upon your forehead and the invitation impressed upon your heart all day at church: 9:30-3 and 5:30-6:30. (Between 3 and 5:30, I'll be in and out picking up my girls.)



TODAY

- Feb ~ **Welcome!**
- ~ WMC supporting Boissevain Food Pantry
- 25 ~ Shrove Tues, Pancakes @ St Matthew's Anglican Parish Hall 5:30pm
- 26 ~ Ash Wednesday **see Pastor's corner**
- Mar 4-5 ~ Boissevain Festival vocal/choral, Millie Hildebrand adjudicating
- 5 ~ Prayer / Scripture Reading, 7pm @ WMC
- 5-7 ~ MCI Musical Production, 'Annie' **#1 + B Board**
- 7 ~ MCM Annual Delegate Gathering 2020, Altona Bergthaler MC 
- 8 ~ DST (Daylight Savings Time) heads up!
- 9 - 12 ~ Boissevain Festival Piano Sessions @ WMC
- 12 ~ Boissevain Festival Multigenerational Piano Fun Night 7 pm
- 21 ~ 'Finding Success Workshop', Family Worship Ctr **B Board**
- 22 ~ Boissevain Festival Awards Concert 3pm
- 25 ~ Annual WMC Mission Sale **#b**

Activities & Interests ...

WMC:

- a. **WMC** is working towards developing a web site. Along with this comes an opportunity for those with inspired abilities to create a **LOGO** that would represent WMC (*past, present and future*). Deadline for submissions – March 31, 2020 Herm
- b. **Annual Mission Fundraiser Auction, Wednesday, March 25th, @ 6:00 pm.** This leaves 1 month to finish your projects and donation items. Only 4 weeks to mill that wheat into flour for the delicious baked goods. That is only 31 days until you can contribute to the worthy causes that we support, ... till the rapid fire auction and fun commence. It will be here before you know it. Thank you in advance.

Community....

1. **MCI Musical** March 5-7 presenting Annie. Need a ride? Bus transportation may be available. Contact **Matt Heide** for more information.