

WHITEWATER MENNONITE CHURCH

May 31st, 2020

BULLETIN



FROM THE PASTOR'S Desk:

- ❖ Bible Readings: Monday, May 25: 1 Samuel 3-4, Romans 3, Psalm 121
 - Bible Project videos: 1 Samuel <https://youtu.be/QJOju5Dw0V0>
 - Romans https://youtu.be/ej_6dVdJSIU
- ❖ May 31st, WMC Video Service: P Wes will send out a link via e-mail & WMC's Facebook page.
 - Reader's theatre: **Heather Goertzen, Betty Albrecht, Catherine Heide, Laura Dyck**
 - Music: **Heather Heide, Marc and Justice Loewen.**
 - Stop motion animation: **Lisa, Reid, Dexter and Zane Heide**
 - Scripture: *Psalm 104, Numbers 11:24-30, Acts 2, John 7:37-39*
- ❖ **P Wes & Family** will be on vacation June 1st-7th. Call **Chris Neufeld** with urgent pastoral care needs and **Matt Heide** for anything else you'd need Pastor Wes for.
- ❖ Ministry opportunity: How could we honor our high school grads? Ideas?
- ❖ Boissevain Ministerial: - Suggested 9 am prayers for health, community, nation, world.
- ❖ Current Covid-19 updates, Manitoba Health's website. <https://www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/>

Stewardship: *New way to give!* - Send E-transfer to wmcstewardship@gmail.com This option is for those with internet banking. Offering envelopes may continue to be dropped in **Peter Neufeld's** mailbox or mailed to Box 715.
Thank you for your gifts!

PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

- Health, healing, comfort: **Ernie** - Lena Franz's son, **Brenda** - Jake & Anne Neufeld's DiL, **Mike Megaffin**
- Communicate with residents @ **Evergreen & Westview** via I-Pad.
 - To make arrangements and connect: **Westview** - 204 534 2455, **Evergreen** - 204 534 3337
- **Mennonite Church Canada** ministry partner Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission asks us to pray for our African sisters and brothers as COVID-19 continues to spread. People visit markets to buy food almost daily because most don't have fridges or other ways to preserve food from day to day. Pray for provision, for protection, for courage and strength during this period of isolation. Pray that hospitals and medical staff provide the best possible care despite the lack of ventilators and other important medical tools.
- Join **George Veith**, Witness worker in China, in prayers of thanksgiving for the good connections small groups in China are making through Chinese colleague Pastor Yin Hongtao from Mennonite Partners in China. These groups describe their study of Anabaptist writing as a "coming home to a faith tradition we didn't know existed". They are excited to be connected to Mennonites worldwide to learn together what it means to be faithful followers of Jesus in the 21st century.
- This year's spring planting season is upon us, bringing challenges and optimism in the fields and gardens. May the Spirit abound and grant spring renewal to nature around us and to the efforts put forth in this sowing season.



- ✚ **TODAY!~ Pentecost**
- ✚ June ~ June is Indigenous History Month, find resources @ www.commonword.ca/go/1512
- ✚ 7 ~ Trinity Sunday
- ✚ ~ MCI Sangerfest Celebrate with us on [MCI's YouTube channel](#) on June 7th at 7:30pm.
- ✚ 20 ~ World Refugee Day
- ✚ 25 ~ MCC 56th AGM via Zoom, notice of meeting, details coming soon
- ✚ Return to normal church scheduling is directly related to government guidelines.

COMMUNITY AND MORE:

- Ω For Services, Sermons & other, visit: YouTube – **P Wes** will send YouTube link prior to Sunday's **WMC service**
- Whitewater M C Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/whitewatermc/>
- MCI Chamber Choir 'North' <https://youtu.be/R7TCos06SZY> Natasha & Andrew Heide
- MCCan Sunday Service www.mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices begins 9:45 EDT,
Springstein M C, Springstein, MB: Acts 2:1-4, communion included in this service
- MCM - <https://mennochurch.mb.ca/>
- **** - [Hope Unleashed page](#) *Crystal City / Trinity M C's merge story*, singing, children's stories
- Sunday School Resources <https://shinecurriculum.com/shineathome/free-resources/>
- CommonWord Resources www.commonword.ca
- Bible Storytelling with Carrie Miller www.commonword.ca/go/2022
- MWC www.mwc-cmm.org/courier
- MCC - 100 stories <https://mcc.org/centennial/100-stories/through-lens-mcc-100>
- [Troublemaker to tractor whisperer](#) Read about Jerry Toews, who for 25 years has been refurbishing tractors and other vehicles that are sold at the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale.
- Read more** <https://mennonitecentralcommittee.cmail19.com/t/i-l-xdiuykl-jtltilliii-q/>
- Centennial Colouring Book mcccanada.ca/media/resources/10546
- Resources <https://mennonitecentralcommittee.cmail19.com/t/i-l-xdikhit-jiehkuuht-j/>
- MDS (activities suspended) <https://mds.mennonite.net/>
- Ω **Boissevain Food Pantry:** Donations graciously & gratefully accepted.
Cereal, canned veggies, rice, pasta, tomato sauce, canned fruit, \$\$\$, etc
- Ω **Cam**
- Ω **MCMb Board:** Praying for wisdom throughout interviews of potential candidates for Executive Minister.
- Ω **MCM** Info re Pandemic Responses; www.mennochurch.mb.ca/virusresponse
- Ω **MCC:** - **Brandon Thrift Store** is open and looking for volunteers under 50. Checkout - thrift.mcc.org/
or Facebook.com/MCCThrift
- Ω **WMC History:** May 31st, 1960 Sod was turned on site and a dedication service was lead by Rev G G Neufeld

"Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit" says the Lord God Almighty

Greetings from the local Boissevain Morton Whitewater grow project! The pandemic has certainly changed many things for us personally, as a community and globally as well. One thing that has become more of a problem is global hunger. The bmwgrowproject has been diligently planting and harvesting every year for the past 20+ years. The money from the harvest sold is used to combat hunger in third world countries. Our local Jill Martens and Ryan Martens followed this trail a few years ago to see firsthand how this money is used. Their incredible story is something you should ask them about! The Canadian Foodgrains Bank is a Christian response to hunger. (We know there are many other great organizations out there as well but THIS one is in our backyard!) Praise the Lord for his goodness and that we are able to do this for a greater good and our fellow man/woman!

As many of you already know, the bmwgrowproject is only made possible by donations (monetary, equipment, etc) and volunteers. We usually have a fundraiser evening and had recently added a Combine Pull to raise awareness and funds but the current pandemic has put those events on hold leaving the committee with a challenge to raise funds in other ways. We have advertised on social media platforms (Follow us! Twitter, Instagram & Facebook all under the same tag @bmwgrowproject) and the Boissevain Recorder. A case of Patent5 hand sanitizer has been donated to our cause and we are giving them away to the first 40 people who sponsor a minimum of 1 acre. (\$100 per acre) Please text or call 204-305-0775 to secure your spot in the first 40!

Or if you'd like to make a donation and bypass this promotion, please mail cheque's (made out to bmw grow project) to:

BMW Grow Project

Box 359

Boissevain, Mb

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Thank you in advance! Follow us on any one of our social media platforms to stay informed on the progress of the field! Also if you're interested or able in volunteering your time and/or equipment for the project, please contact any one on the committee!

May God bless you!