

PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

WMC FAMILY:

*... ***Ben, Lisa, Reid, Dexter, Zane Heide***

*... Health, healing, comfort: ***Marg Kroeker; Jack & Marg Heide, Cody Burnett***

*... Thankful for all aspects of health care this community provides and the response to the Covid crisis has truly been a gift to us all.

Wider Church....

... **AIMM** supports churches in DR Congo as they educate on COVID-19, ensuring that all congregations have access to good public health information is crucial to the life of the church.

... **MCC** Podcast: Relief Development and Podcast. Now streaming wherever you get your podcasts.

... **Anabaptist training for local Chinese congregations**

Pray for George Veith, Witness worker in China, and Chinese colleague Yin Hongtao, as they organize and translate Anabaptist materials for congregations asking for training. Pray that they would produce a program that meets the needs of local believers and built on by local leaders

World

On August 4, a large explosion killed over 200 people and injured more than 6,000 others in the capital of Beirut, Lebanon. Together, MCC and its program partners in Beirut will address rehabilitation and cleanup needs arising from this disaster.

... We acknowledge our presence on the lands of the Cree, Ojibway, Dakota and Metis nations, on Treaty lands, covenanted between Indigenous and settler peoples in 1871.

... See Bulletin Board for latest Veith Update

Stewardship: E-transfer wmcstewardship@gmail.com Thank you for your gifts!

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.***'

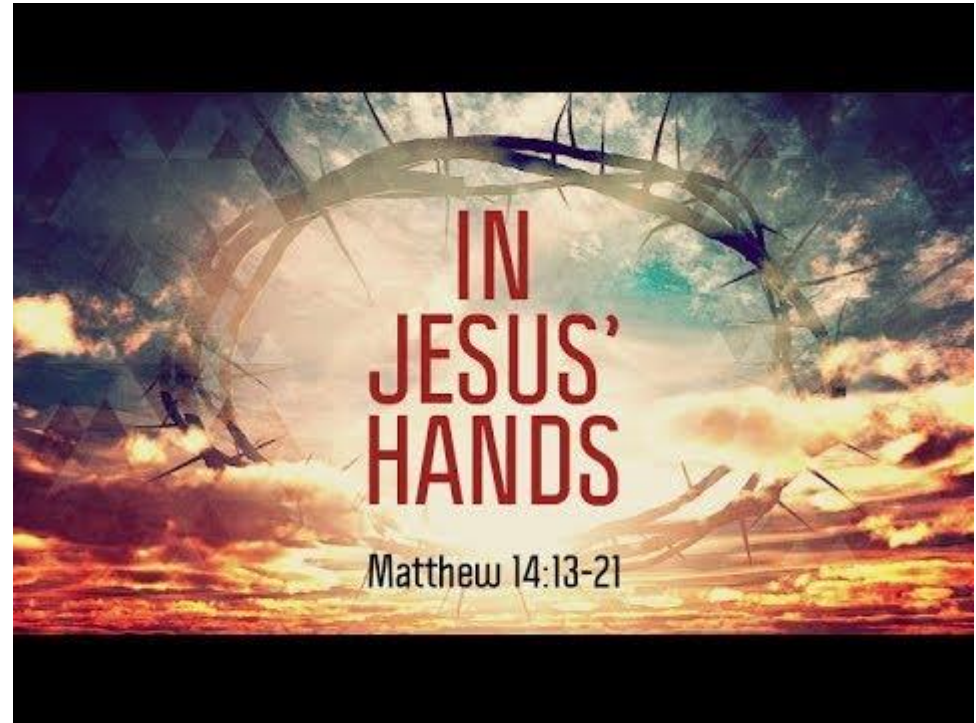
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Whitewater Mennonite Church



Worship Leader: Lorraine Reimer

Music: Heather Heide

Sermon: Pastor Wes

August 23, 2020

Matthew 14: 13 – 21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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LEFT	BASKETFULS	LANDED	FOLLOWED	LOAVES
THANKS	CROWDS	TWELVE	HEALED	FISH
ATE	FOOD	SATISFIED	JESUS	SICK
FOOT	PEOPLE	LATE	TOWNS	BOAT

Two points to ponder from this week's readings. 1) Ezra 3:10-13. The foundation of the new temple is laid; some shout with joy, some weep aloud. This sort of scenario where an event is met with great joy, pent up sorrow, and disappointment isn't unknown to us. After sitting empathetically with the conflicting emotions, what is a faithful next step here? 2) Was it right to refuse the nations' offer to help build the temple? See Zech 8:20-23. For another angle, read Haggai and Zechariah 1-8 alongside our Ezra and Nehemiah readings.



- ✚ 23 August – Regular Service
- ✚ 30 August – Simple Service

Activities & Interests:

SAVE THE DATE: Table Talk: Does the Church have Legs? Mennonite Church Canada Study Conference, October 24, 2020

Join our nationwide community of faith as we gather virtually for "Table Talk: Does the Church Still have Legs?" a virtual study conference on the nature and identity of the church and the role of worship.

Peter G & Bernie will be taking up the Go 100 challenge. Both will be completing 100 games of golf. Contact them to donate and support their fundraising.

Gather the family and check out the first video in our **Faith@Home** series <http://www.bmcfaitform.com/faithhome.html> as Jesus invites us to follow him beyond our fears.

If you are interested in taking the upcoming vacating spot of church admin, talk to Natasha! Also there will now be no security question asked on etransfers sent to wmcstewardship@gmail.com.

Please remember to practice frequent handwashing and sanitizing, avoiding handshakes and the touching of one's face, and diligent cleaning of public areas, as Covid 19 is making a comeback throughout our province.

Bible Project Video: Lamentations, Isaiah
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p8GDFPdaQZQ>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d0A6Uchb1F8>

***Bible Readings for Aug 24:
Nehemiah 6 & 7, Esther 8, Hebrews 7***