

## **PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION**

### **WMC FAMILY: Robert Bergman**

\*... Health, healing, comfort:

**Anne & Jake Neufeld, Matt Heide, George Heide, Rudy Engbrecht, Shirley** (Lorraine R.), **Ed Dyck, Tinie S, Pastor Wes and family, Agnes and Elfrieda Epp**

### **Wider Church....**

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### **World ...**

... We acknowledge our presence on the lands of the Cree, Ojibway, Dakota and Metis nations. We recognize that we are guests on this land and will be mindful of our impact as we critically look at colonial histories and present-day implications. We acknowledge this as a first step in fulfilling our responsibility and commitment to truth and reconciliation.

**Stewardship:** E-transfer [wmcstewardship@gmail.com](mailto:wmcstewardship@gmail.com) Thank you for your gifts!

*Think and say a prayer over this statement. Ask God to speak to us of our identity and direction.*

### **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.'**

### **Please use this ZOOM link for Sunday, March 7**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86845404173>

ZOOM Call in: 1 204 272 7920 Canada

Meeting ID: 868 4540 4173

# **Whitewater Mennonite Church**



**March 7, 2021**

Worship Leader: Heather Heide

Music: Micah and Marc Loewen

Sermon: Pastor Wes Goertzen

## Exodus 20:1-17

**1** Then God spoke all these words: **2** I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; **3** you shall have no other gods before me. **4** You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. **5** You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, **6** but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation[b] of those who love me and keep my commandments. **7** You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. **8** Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. **9** Six days you shall labor and do all your work. **10** But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. **11** For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. **12** Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. **13** You shall not murder. **14** You shall not commit adultery. **15** You shall not steal. **16** You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. **17** You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

## 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

**18** 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. **19** For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." **20** Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? **21** For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. **22** For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, **23** but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, **24** but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. **25** For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.



## 14 March - Communion

**In-person Worship - no lists required. Zoom** will continue for Sunday, March 7, but we are contemplating returning to in-person only services. Please communicate with *Leadership* or Pastor Wes if continuing the ZOOM option would be a blessing to you.

You and Pastor Wes need **administrative help** in the office. Duties negotiable, but generally include getting mail, filing/keeping records updated, scheduling, bulletin & PowerPoint (these are covered at the moment), website updates and holding of details.

**There are some unfinished fleece blankets** in the basement of the Church awaiting skilled or semi skilled hands to complete them. They will then be available to gift to someone of your choosing at one of our personal care homes here in town. Please talk to Chris Neufeld with any questions. Act now as they are moving fast and we have a limited supply.

**Lent at Home** Worship guide is attached to the bulletin email. This resource provides weekly Lenten rituals that offer worship experiences that may enrich our collective Sunday practices during this Lenten season (pages 3 & 4).

## Children's Ministry folk check out the Awesome KidMin

**Conference** Mar. 12,13. Hosted out of Winnipeg and sponsored in part by MCM and MennoMedia. Great opportunity to take in some inspiring workshops and main sessions! ( from the comfort of your home). Take a peek at what is being offered: <https://www.awesomekidmin.com> Contact Kathy Giesbrecht for further information and encouragement to attend!

**MCM (Online) Gathering 2021 - March 6** - Save the date! Delegates (and friends, all are welcome) will gather around our shared MCM and MC Canada ministries from 9:00-12:30 on March 6.

Betty and Walter Albrecht have graciously taken on the **"Good Will Society's"** role in reaching out to the sick in our midst. If there's an illness, please contact either of them at 534-6923.

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