

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

**WMC FAMILY: Ray and Muriel Hildebrandt**

\*... Health, healing, comfort:

**Anne & Jake Neufeld, Don and Chris Neufeld and family, Matt Heide and family, Tinie Sawatzky**

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

... **Camps with Meaning** day-camp is running this next week (July 19-23) at Koinonia. Pastor Wes will be volunteering as camp pastor, and many children from Whitewater will be attending as campers. Please pray throughout the week for the staff, volunteers and campers.

### **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.

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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.**'

How have we lived into this statement? How has God been shaping our understanding? Who are we? And, who are we called to be?

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# **Whitewater Mennonite Church**



**July 18th, 2021**

Worship Leader: Don Engbrecht

Music: Sheldon Dyck

Sermon: Pastor Wes Goertzen

## **Ephesians 2:11-22**<sup>NRSV</sup>

11 So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth,  
called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"  
-- a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands--

12 remember that you were at that time without Christ,  
being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel,  
and strangers to the covenants of promise,  
having no hope and without God in the world[.]

13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near  
by the blood of Christ[.]

14 For he is our peace;  
in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down  
the dividing wall,  
that is, the hostility between us.

15 He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances,  
that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of  
the two,  
thus making peace,  
16 and might reconcile both groups to God in one body  
through the cross,  
thus putting to death that hostility through it[.]

17 So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to  
those who were near;

18 for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father[.]

19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens,  
but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God,  
20 built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,  
with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.

21 In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy  
temple in the Lord;  
22 in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place  
for God[.]

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### **Please use this ZOOM link for July 18th service**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87012508328>

ZOOM Call in: 1 204 272 7920 Canada

**New Meeting ID: 870 1250 8328**

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Whitewater Church Website: <https://whitewatermc.ca/>

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## ***Upcoming Events***

**July 19-23** Pastor Wes (and many of Whitewater's campers/volunteers) will be at Koinonia for day-camp

**July 25** MC Canada Nationwide Worship Service

**August 1** MC Canada Nationwide Worship Service

**August 5** Bridal Shower for Amber Hildebrandt (invitation below)

**August 8** MC Canada Nationwide Worship Service

**September 12** YFC 4th Annual Golf Tournament at Carman Golf Club. Visit [www.yfc.ca/westman/golf/marathon](http://www.yfc.ca/westman/golf/marathon) to register or make a pledge.

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*We are celebrating the upcoming wedding of Amber Hildebrandt & Devon Waldner with a "Come & Go" shower. It will take place at the **Boissevain Kinsmen Park on Thursday, August 5, 2021 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** We welcome you to stop by to congratulate the "bride-to-be"!! (in adherence with current public health orders)*

Considering a change for the upcoming school year? **MCI is accepting students for 2021-22.** Book an in-person tour today by calling 204-327-5891 or emailing [info@mciblues.net](mailto:info@mciblues.net).

**Boissevain Resettlement Committee** has received approval for 2 families for 2021 (in addition to 2 approved for 2019/2020). To help financially, please contact Herman Dyck or email [boissevainresettlement@gmail.com](mailto:boissevainresettlement@gmail.com)

**Join the Be it Resolved Challenge** - a nationwide initiative encouraging Mennonite Church Canada members and congregations to create and commit to new resolutions for Indigenous justice. [Learn more here](#) ([www.mennonitechurch.ca](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca) - News & Events)

**To learn more about residential schools and how we can begin to move forward in peace visit [TRC's Calls to Action](#)**

**MCC's virtual challenge is back!** Click [here](#) to get started or visit [mccmb.ca/go-100](http://mccmb.ca/go-100).

For love, please get yourselves vaccinated against Covid-19! Every Manitoban 12 years+ is eligible. For more info visit <https://www.manitobavaccine.ca/>

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