

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

### **WMC FAMILY: \*... Helmut and Lois Neufeld**

Health, healing, comfort:

**...Anne & Jake Neufeld, Don and Chris Neufeld and family, Matt Heide and family, Trish Wiens**

### **Wider Community...**

...Praying for the upcoming federal election

...Praying for all faith groups in our community, for meaningful relationships and joy as they worship together in church and online.

...Healthcare providers around the province as they continue to work hard keeping us safe and cared for during this pandemic.

### **World...**

Thanks for your prayers for Witness workers George and Tobia Veith as they make their way from China to Canada. They will quarantine for two weeks in Winnipeg before they can be reunited with family. Please continue to pray for their transition to life in Canada.

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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?

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.

# **Whitewater Mennonite Church**



**September 19th, 2021**

Music: Meara Sparling

Worship Leader: Don Engbrecht

Children's Story Time: Meara Sparling

Sermon: Pastor Wes Goertzen

## Psalm 1

1 Happy are those  
who do not follow the advice of the wicked,  
or take the path that sinners tread,  
or sit in the seat of scoffers;  
2 but their delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and on his law they meditate day and night.  
3 They are like trees  
planted by streams of water,  
which yield their fruit in its season,  
and their leaves do not wither.  
In all that they do, they prosper.  
4 The wicked are not so,  
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.  
5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;  
6 for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish.

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## *Thank you...*

...I would like to thank everyone who took the time to come to my bridal shower at the park. We are really enjoying the lovely gifts, your kindness and generosity is much appreciated. -Amber and Devon Waldner

...We appreciate all the messages of condolences since the passing of our brother, Bob Thiessen, and to our church family for the lovely flowering plant. -Connie and John Dyck

## *Announcements and Upcoming Events*

**September 19** - We Are All Treaty People celebration (details below)

**September 20** - Canadian Federal Elections - Go vote, if you are able!

**September 23** - MCC Manitoba's 57th AGM, 7-9pm via ZOOM

**September 26** - Congregational Meeting

**September 29** - Woven Women's Series Kick Off

**September 30** - National Truth and Reconciliation Day - schools will be closed

**September 30 - Oct.2** - MCC Centennial Conference via zoom

**October 26** - WMC leading devotionals at Westview and Evergreen

**December 7** - WMC leading devotionals at Westview and Evergreen

### **Woven kick off "Woven Wednesdays"**

Woven (Mennonite Women MB) are thrilled to announce the Kick Off of their Woven Wednesday Series; Faith: Yours, Mine and Ours, Wednesday Sept. 29th 8pm. Hosted by Kathy Giesbrecht, this monthly online gathering hopes to be an MCM space that infuses our understandings, conversations and imagination. Inviting voices from all corners to speak into our shared Life in Christ, holding hope that together we walk into the future with deepened faithfulness. Guided by the call to immerse ourselves in Scripture, community and Spirit. Do pass the word around. For Zoom Room Link contact [kgiesbrecht@mennochurch.mb.ca](mailto:kgiesbrecht@mennochurch.mb.ca)

### **CMU is offering 6-week study courses this fall through their Xplore program.**

Courses begin week of October 5th, topics to choose from include: Peace stories that inspire us, Creation, Ecology and the Bible, Exploring the Jesus of the New Testament, Living together with our differences, Philippians: Renewing our joy in Christ, Violence within Scripture: Struggling with a troubling legacy, Creeds and Confessions, Biblical Explorations for the Reconciliation Journey, and Prayer during challenging times. Please contact John or Lorraine Reimer if you would like more information (534-2903)

**Michael Pahls, Executive Minister MCM, will be speaking at Whitewater on Oct.17.** He and his wife are in need of a place to stay Oct.16-17 - if you are available to host, please contact Lorraine Reimer.

**Raffle Tickets for Prairie Partners Inc. fundraiser are available in the office.**

**Join MCC's We Are All Treaty People Celebration!** Sunday, Sept 19 at 3pm over Zoom. Learn more about building respectful relationships between settlers and Indigenous neighbours and celebrate the 150th anniversaries of Treaties 1 and 2. Register [here](#) or visit [mccmb.ca/events](http://mccmb.ca/events).

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