

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

### **WMC FAMILY: \*... Kay Stow**

Health, healing, comfort:

**...Don and Chris Neufeld and family, Jake and Anne Neufeld, Trish Wiens (Heather H's friend), Lynette Stow (Lorraine R's sister-in-law)**

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

...Please pray for the small groups of Anabaptist believers in China as they develop leadership training and reach out to their neighbours. Praise God for these believers' quiet witness of faithful living.

### **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!

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### **WMC's Identity Statement:**

‘With our feet firmly planted in our Anabaptist and Mennonite beginning, 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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*How have we lived into this statement? How has God been shaping our understanding? Who are we? And, who are we called to be?*

(If you'd like to be apart of this ongoing conversation, talk to Ben Heide)

**Whitewater Church Website:** <https://whitwatermc.ca/>

# **Whitewater Mennonite Church**



**October 31st, 2021**

Mennonite Heritage Sunday

Worship Leader: Ben Heide

Music: Sheldon Dyck

Children's Story: Amy Loewen

Sermon: Pastor Wes Goertzen

### 1 Corinthians 3:1-11

3 And so, brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. 2 I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, 3 for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? 4 For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

5 What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. 6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. 7 So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. 8 The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. 9 For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

10 According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. 11 For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.

**Supporting Texts: Psalm 105, 106 and 19, 1 Corinthians 3:21-24, Mark 8:27-28**

#### 1 CORINTHIANS 3:1-11 WORD SEARCH

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The cursing\* psalms--Psalm 109 being the most extensive-- with their "rigorous honesty" offers us at least three teachings for our anger. 1) "They give us words for our anger when we are too stunned by its enormity to find our own." 2) As scripture, they teach us "that *vengeful anger is one mode of access to God.*" 3) "The cry for vengeance invariably takes the form of an appeal for God to act. . .Through these psalms we demand that our enemies be driven into God's hands." (Ellen Davis, "But surely not those! The Cursing Psalms" in *GIWG*, 27.)

## Announcements and Upcoming Events

**November 3** - YFC's Gala of Hope \*\*There are still seats available!

**December 7** - WMC leading devotionals at Westview and Evergreen- Please talk to Pastor Wes if you are willing to help.

**Youth for Christ Gala** on the evening of Nov 3. We have a table of 8 filled and have a couple spots left to fill a 2nd table. Please let Andy Neufeld know ASAP if you'd like to join. Vaccinations required.

**The Brandon MCC Thrift Shop** is expecting to hire a full time cashier for approximately 15 weeks starting in early November. Please contact the manager, Shelly, at 204-727-1162 if you are interested.

**The Boissevain Resettlement Committee (BRC) is happy to be welcoming two families from Eritrea to Boissevain** in the next few weeks. Awet, her two sons, Natan and Noh and her sister, Gezina arrived on October 21st and are being sponsored by the BRC. Adiam and her son, Eyosab arrive in early November, and are sponsored by an independent group of five.

**What's for dinner? Eating in an age of climate emergency.** Join Germinating Conversations on Wednesday, November 3 at 7 pm. For more information and to register, click [here](#) or visit [germinating.eventbrite.ca](http://germinating.eventbrite.ca)

**Explore the interactive MCC Annual Impact Report!** During this difficult year, as we faced nearly unprecedented challenges, your congregation gave to those in need. Your generosity had an impact in countries across the globe and here at home. Visit [mccmb.ca/annual-impact-report-2021](http://mccmb.ca/annual-impact-report-2021) and take a minute to reflect and celebrate the work that your congregation helped make happen!

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