#### PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

**WMC FAMILY:** \*... Empey, Amanda, Devon, Bryson, Rain, Jade & Penny Health, healing, comfort:

- ...Don and Chris Neufeld and family, Jake and Anne Neufeld, Randy Sawatzky, Ed Albrecht
- ...Continued prayer for all those working in health care and the schools/childcare programs as Covid-19 case numbers remain high.

**...Happy Lunar New Year!** As families have gathered this week in many parts of Asia and the world to celebrate the Lunar New Year, pray for your family of faith gathered in various groups and places across Asia, in most places part of a tiny minority of the population that speaks boldly to the difference following Jesus makes in their lives. May we find more ways to learn from and with them.

#### 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.'

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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## **Whitewater Mennonite Church**



### February 6th, 2022

Worship Leader: Lorraine Reimer

Music: George and Catherine Heide

Sermon: Terrell Wiebe 'Stick to the Script!'

#### Hebrews 3:16-4:11 NRSV

**16** Now who were they who heard and yet were rebellious? Was it not all those who left Egypt under the leadership of Moses? **17** But with whom was he angry forty years? Was it not those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? **18** And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, if not to those who were disobedient? **19** So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

**4** Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest is still open, let us take care that none of you should seem to have failed to reach it. **2** For indeed the good news came to us just as to them; but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. **3** For we who have believed enter that rest, just as God has said,

"As in my anger I swore,

'They shall not enter my rest,'"

though his works were finished at the foundation of the world. **4** For in one place it speaks about the seventh day as follows, "And God rested on the seventh day from all his works." **5** And again in this place it says, "They shall not enter my rest." **6** Since therefore it remains open for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, **7** again he sets a certain day—"today"—saying through David much later, in the words already quoted,

"Today, if you hear his voice,

do not harden your hearts."

8 For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not speak later about another day.
9 So then, a sabbath rest still remains for the people of God;
10 for those who enter God's rest also cease from their labors as God did from his.
11 Let us therefore make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one may fall through such disobedience as theirs.

## Please use this link for the Sunday Service:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87012508328 ZOOM by Phone: 1-204-272-7920 Canada

New Meeting ID: 870 1250 8328

# Announcements and Upcoming Events

March 1 - Whitewater Church leading devotions at Evergreen and Westview
 \*We need help leading devotions! If you are able, please contact P.Wes\*
 March 5 - MCM Annual Gathering (information below)

**Camp Registration is Open!**We are planning for and praying for overnight camp again. Let your families know. <u>www.campswithmeaning.org</u>

The Cost of Colonialism / The Joy of Jubilee weekend retreat, Feb. 11-13,

**2022** If Canada is a settler colonial society, how does that shape Christian understanding + vocation? If dispossession is the fundamental breach of the Indigenous-settler relationship, what biblical resources can address that? Join Steve Heinrichs, director of Indigenous-Settler Relations, in a weekend retreat - attendance is in person or online. Register: starofthenorth.ca/jubilee.

**MCM Annual Gathering 2022 - March 5.** Delegates register through your church office. If you're not a delegate, you're still a welcome guest. Guests register on the webpage. <u>www.mennochurch.mb.ca/events</u>

Join the Nationwide Virtual Choir for Mennonite Church Canada Gathering 2022. Instructions and files at <a href="http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/gathering2022">www.mennonitechurch.ca/gathering2022</a>

## Podcasts

Land Acknowledgements - Listen <u>here</u> to Jonah Cornelson (past Koino staff) on his podcast with CMU "So What?" for thoughts on Land Acknowledgements and how to continue moving forward with reconciliation

#### Have you caught the latest episode of Relief, Development and Podcast? In

this episode, we're rethinking migration. What causes people to leave their homes? Why can some people move freely across borders, while others are criminalized for it? Listen in as Saulo Padilla, MCC's immigration education coordinator, shares his own experience with family separation and migration and reflects on how this impacts the work he does today.