

PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

WMC FAMILY: *... Hildebrandt, Ray and Muriel

Health, healing, comfort:

...Don and Chris Neufeld and family, Randy Sawatzky, Tara Cassils, Melissa Engbrecht, Jake Neufeld

...Terrell Wiebe and family as they prepare to join us in the summer

Wider Church...

...**Mennonite Seoul meets again in person** Mennonite Seoul, a congregation led by Witness workers Bock Ki Kim and Sook Kyoung Park, met in person for the first time in two years on April 24. Pray for this group of believers as they transition to meeting together after online meetings during the pandemic.

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



May 8th, 2022

Communion

Worship Leader: Ben Heide

Music: George and Catherine Heide

Sermon: Pastor Wes Goertzen

Bulletin Art: Zane Heide

John 10:22-28 NRSV

22 At that time the Festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, **23** and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. **24** So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

25 Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me, **26** but you do not believe because you do not belong to my sheep. **27** My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. **28** I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand.

Supporting Texts: Psalm 23; Revelation 7:9-17; Acts 9:36-43

Mother's Day Blessing

(written by Kate Bowler)

O God of love, it is such a joy to bless our moms—those who have carried us in their bodies, and in their hearts, and in their minds, and all those who have mothered us in some form or fashion. We thank them and honor them all, those we can hug today, and those who are now gone or distant from us.

We ask Your blessing too on those for whom mothering is complicated, difficult, heartbreaking, or incomplete.

Bless and heal and restore and rebuild all generations, forwards and backwards in time.

God, with all the genius of Your creative power, rain down Your blessing upon the mothering we give, and that which we have received.

Be to us the nurturing embrace we need to lead us to eternal life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

May 9 -31 - Pastor Wes and family are away

May 15 - Canadian Foodgrains Fundraiser 7pm at the Boissevain MB Church

May 24 - Devotions at Westview, Evergreen and Cherry Creek Place

please talk to Laura D. if you are able to lead

Please join us for a time of fellowship in the basement every Sunday morning from 9:45am-10:45am. All are welcome!

Whitewater Church... Our church offerings are down \$6,000.00 compared to last year but our expenses are still the same. From the treasurer.

Junior Youth Camp-out August 12-14 A time away together to escape the busyness of everyday life so we can connect with each other and connect with God! This retreat is happening Friday, Aug.12-Sunday, Aug.14 at Kiche Manitou and is open to Grade 7-8 students (including students entering Grade 7 in the fall) Cost is \$75, transportation will be provided from the Boissevain MB Church. Sign up [here](#).

Save the date for Cycle Clear Lake. After a two-year break, we are pleased to announce that Cycle Clear Lake will go ahead this summer. Consider cycling the Clear Lake Trail in support of MCC's work with refugees and displaced people on July 2. Stay tuned for more details.

Golf for MCC! Join us for a day of golf, prizes and dinner on July 7 and you'll support refugees and displaced people around the world. For more information about the MCC Manitoba Golf Tournament and to register, visit mccmb.ca/golf.

Summer camp is not the same (actually it's not possible) without our volunteers! Kitchen and maintenance help, camp pastors, and health officers are needed at both camps. Come and spend a week at one of our lovely sites and add your unique gifts to our amazing camp community. Call the CWM office at 204-895-CAMP or register online at www.campwithmeaning.org/staff.

So What? Podcast is a monthly podcast that draws out key ideas from public events at CMU. Host Jonas Cornelsen guides you through these discussions by asking, 'So What?' His recent conversations with Christy Anderson, CMU's Indigenous Engagement Advisor are worth listening to! They can be found here: <https://media.cmu.ca/cat/audio/so-what>

The MCC Thrift Shop will be holding its **Annual General Meeting on 19 May, 7:00 p.m.**, at the Thrift Shop lunchroom, 414 Pacific Ave. All volunteers are welcome to attend. If you would like to participate, but cannot attend in-person, you can ask for a ZOOM link from Manager Shelly Burrows, brandonmccthrift@wcgwave.ca.