

PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

WMC FAMILY... Wiebe, Terrell & Janna, Rowan & Ivan

Health, healing, comfort:

...Tara Cassils will be continuing radiation in September, prayers are appreciated

...Praise that Karen and Phil (Rita E.) were able to come into Canada to be by their son, Tony's, side.

... Joan West, Liz Kuhl, Peter and Lorraine Neufeld, along with Chars and Marc Willerton and their families

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 traditional lands of the Cree, Ojibway, Dakota and Metis nations. We recognize that we are all 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



September 18th, 2022

Communion Service

Worship Leader: Lisa Heide

Music: Heather Heide

Sermon: Pastor Terrell Wiebe

"Arms Wide Open"

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 NRSV

18 For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. **19** For it is written,

'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,

and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

20 Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. **22** For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, **23** but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, **24** but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. **25** For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

September 22 - Young Artist Concert Tour featuring Jerry Hu at WMC (details below)

September 25 - Alternative Worship Service

September 27 - Devotions at Westview, Evergreen and Cherry Creek Place - *please contact Heather Heide if you are able to volunteer*

September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

October 15 - Composers & Kids at WMC

We at Whitewater Church are in need of additional contributions to meet our current expenses. Offering can be left in Peter Neufeld's church mailbox or made online by e-transfer to wmcstewardship@gmail.com

The alternative worship service will be held on Sept.25 in the sanctuary. This is to allow for sufficient time for volunteers to come forward and prepare a response to the questions that will direct our service. Questions chosen are: "Why was God around more in bible times, and not now?" and "How do our different views on the creation story impact the rest of our theology?" **If you are interested in responding to one of those questions at the service, please speak with Lorraine or Terrell.**

The Canadian Federation of Music Teachers Association invites you to the 2022 Western Young Artist Concert Tour featuring Jerry Hu. This is a free concert and will be held at Whitewater Mennonite Church at 7pm on Thursday, September 22nd.

Clarice Martens and Simon Dueck would like to invite the church community to their wedding ceremony at 3:30 on September 24th at Whitewater Mennonite Church. Private reception to follow.

You are invited to an evening of storytelling and reporting on the work and growth of MCC Manitoba. Join us at Sterling Mennonite Church, Winnipeg on September 22 for MCC Manitoba's Annual General Meeting. For more details and to register, visit mccmb.ca/agm.

Faith and Life Choirs are preparing for a full season of rehearsals, church visits and concerts beginning September 24! If you are interested in joining the choir, contact conductors: Janet Brenneman (Women's Chorus)- jbrenneman@cmu.ca, Ben Pauls (Male Choir)- bp.gerberpauls@gmail.com