

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

### **WMC FAMILY... Hammond, David & Edith**

Health, healing, comfort: John Reimer, Lisa Heide

...Family, children, and friends of Grace Griffith (Waskada)

...Congratulations to the Sawmill Tea & Coffee's Employee of the Week, *Amy Kroeker!*

### **World...**

**...Prayers invited for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls** The Manitoba Mennonite Coalition for Indigenous Solidarity (MCIS) (an MCM working group) invites prayers for the families of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in mourning the loss of their loved ones and for collective solidarity in their calls for all levels of government to commit to healing and ending the ongoing national crisis.

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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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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**



**February 5th, 2023**

Worship Leader: Don Engbrecht

Music: Heather Heide

Sermon: Dwayne Dyck and Evan Kary  
(Youth For Christ, Brandon)

## 2 Corinthians 5:16-20 NRSV

**16** From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view we no longer know him in that way. **17** So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; look, new things have come into being! **18** All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; **19** that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. **20** So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ: be reconciled to God.



## Announcements and Upcoming Events

**February 14** - Sawmill's Sweethearts Dinner (information below)

**March 14** - Whitewater is leading devotions at Westview, Evergreen and Cherry Creek Place. Please contact Heather H or Laura D if you're available to help lead.

**Sawmill Tea & Coffee Company presents: Sweethearts Dinner, February 14th at 6pm.** Eat-in or have it delivered! \$85/couple (includes a take-home bouquet from Country Lane Florals). Visit the Sawmill or call 204-534-2232 to book your table or delivery. Bookings must be paid for by Monday, February 6th.

**Camps with Meaning Summer Camp registration is open.**

[www.campswithmeaning.org](http://www.campswithmeaning.org)

The MCC Thrift Store at 414 Pacific Avenue in Brandon is looking for a full-time cashier. This position is for a 6-month term (March 1 – August 31) and pays \$13.50/hour. Through relief and development projects, MCC helps people in need around the world. If you can offer a friendly and caring presence, please contact Shelly Burrows at 204-727-1162. The deadline for applications is February 28th.

**Singing our Journey: Sangerfest 2023.** Sign-up to sing in the mass choirs (adult, youth, treble) celebrating the centenary of the Russlander Mennonite immigration to Canada. All are welcome. The event will take place at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall, July 15, 2023. More info at [www.mhsc.ca/soj](http://www.mhsc.ca/soj)

**MCM Mondays** - February 6, 8:00pm online. **Zoom, livestream, record.** **Where are we at?** Darryl Neustaedter Barg, Director of Communications, will explore some of the pros and cons of the various ways we broadcast our worship services. Then we'll talk about who it's for, where we're all at, and how we feel about it. Find the Zoom link and future topics at [www.mennochurch.mb.ca/mcmmondays](http://www.mennochurch.mb.ca/mcmmondays)

**Boissevain Community Youth Group will once again be taking part in Soar Heartland over Spring Break.** It was an amazing experience last year! Soar is a 7 day Urban Mission program in inner Winnipeg. Over the course of the week we will serve with a community organization in the north-end of Winnipeg, and take part in times of learning and Spiritual renewal. To help with the cost of Soar we will be hosting a Traditional Mennonite Supper Fundraiser on Saturday March 4, 2023. Supper will include: kielke, farmer sausage, schmaundt fat & platz. Following dinner we will be entertained by comedian Ruth Hepner. Ruth draws strongly on her Mennonite heritage for anecdotes, stories and jokes. You are guaranteed a good laugh with humor that is in good taste! Seating is limited and spots must be reserved! You can reserve your spot here: [Reserve Your Spot](#)

Please plan to join us for a great evening of good food, laughter and fellowship. Doors will open at 5pm and the program will begin at 5:30pm.