

## PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

### WMC FAMILY... Peter & Elsie Dyck

Health, healing, comfort:

...Kay Stow's funeral will be held on September 16th at 2pm.

Please keep the family in your prayers as they prepare.

...George Engbrecht, Baby Nyla (Marg K), Esther (Betty A's sister), Karen Klassen (Rita E's sister), Lynette Stow, Chars and Marc Willerton

### 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.



# Whitewater Mennonite Church



**August 13th, 2023**

Worship Leader: Don Engbrecht

Music: Sheldon Dyck

Sermon: Pastor Wes Goertzen

## Exodus 2:23-3:12 NRSV

23 After a long time the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned under their slavery and cried out. Their cry for help rose up to God from their slavery. 24 God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. 25 God looked upon the Israelites, and God took notice of them.

3 Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb,<sup>[a]</sup> the mountain of God. 2 There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. 3 Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." 4 When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." 5 Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." 6 He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

7 Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, 8 and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. 9 The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. 10 Now go, I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." 11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" 12 He said, "I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

## Announcements and Upcoming Events

**Please drop off your baby bottle donation for Westman Pregnancy Support Centre directly with Laura D.** by Sunday, August 13th. *This campaign has raised over \$9300 in Westman already this summer!*

**Whitewater is in need of volunteer(s)** to lead devotions at Westview, Evergreen, and Cherry Creek Place on August 29. Resources available. Please consider helping with this important ministry! Talk to Laura D or Heather H if you're able.

*Our Daily Bread and Rejoice booklets for September, October and November are now downstairs by the mailboxes.*

**Join us at the Grow Hope Harvest Celebration on August 27!** We are so excited to gather again to celebrate and give thanks for Grow Hope and its many supporters – like you. Come to Silverwinds Hutterite Colony on August 27 from 3–6pm, to hear about your impact, see some of the crops you have supported, and visit with other Grow Hope supporters. **RSVP by August 14 as space is limited, at [mccmb.ca/events](https://mccmb.ca/events).**

**New worship songs on Together in Worship** Through our collaboration with Together in Worship, multiple artists have shared their new songs with us – available for your personal and congregational use – <https://www.commonword.ca/go/3570>.

**Students, you could earn \$1,000 or more toward your ongoing studies.** MCC Manitoba wants to support students who care about relief, development and peace. Apply online today for one of three scholarships at [mccmb.ca/studentawards](https://mccmb.ca/studentawards). Applications close by September 30, 2023.

**Join the School Kit Challenge** Did you know that donating school supplies can help change a child's life? Join MCC's School Kit Challenge and help a child receive the education they desperately need. [Join MCC's School Kit Challenge](https://www.MCCcanada.ca) ([www.MCCcanada.ca](https://www.MCCcanada.ca))

