

PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

WMC FAMILY... Sheldon, Laura, Ivy & Kale Dyck

Health, healing, comfort:

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

Smokey air invites us to pray...Days of smokey air remind us that people are suffering and dying this summer due to an unprecedented wildfire season in Canada and in other parts of the world. We pray for those that have been directly impacted by these fires, and those that are fighting the fires—for safety, for provision, for strength and endurance. We also pray for governments to act to reduce these and other effects of climate change and to help people and industry adapt to a changing climate.

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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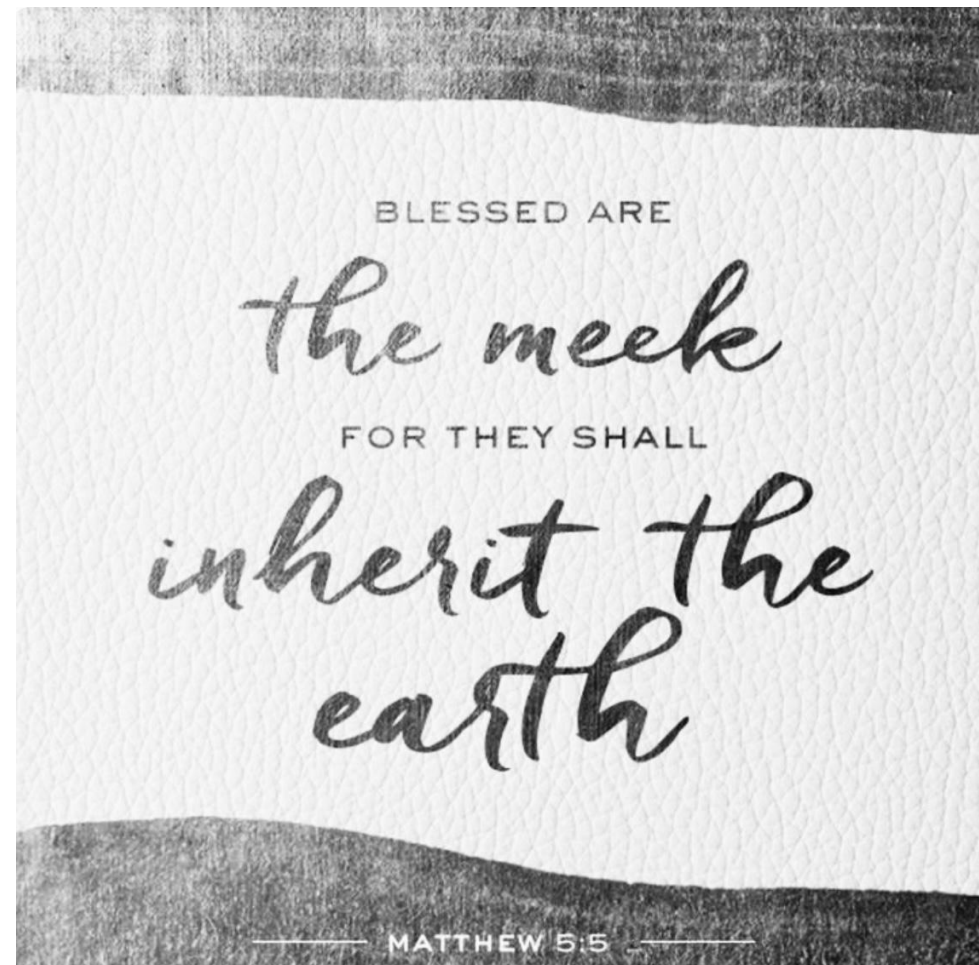
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We acknowledge our presence on the traditional lands of the Cree, Ojibway, Dakota and Metis nations. We recognize that we are all guests on this land and will be mindful of our impact as we critically look at colonial histories and present-day implications. We acknowledge this as a first step in fulfilling our responsibility and commitment to truth and reconciliation.

Whitewater Mennonite Church



August 20th, 2023

Worship Leader: Clarice Martens

Sermon: Pastor Wes Goertzen

Love and do what you will.
- **Augustine of Hippo on 1 John 4**



Psalm 37: 1-11

- Do not fret because of the wicked;
do not be envious of wrongdoers,
2 for they will soon fade like the grass
and wither like the green herb.
3 Trust in the LORD and do good;
live in the land and enjoy security.
4 Take delight in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
5 Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.
6 He will make your vindication shine like the light
and the justice of your cause like the noonday.
7 Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him;
do not fret over those who prosper in their way,
over those who carry out evil devices.
8 Refrain from anger and forsake wrath.
Do not fret—it leads only to evil.
9 For the wicked shall be cut off,
but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.
10 Yet a little while, and the wicked will be no more;
though you look diligently for their place, they will not be there.
11 But the meek shall inherit the land
and delight themselves in abundant prosperity.

Supporting Texts: Matthew 5:5, Luke 23:32-34

Announcements and Upcoming Events

August 21-25 - DVBS at the Boissevain MB Church

August 25-September 5 - P. Wes & family away on vacation

August 27 - Koinonia camp staff will be leading our worship service

August 29 - Whitewater leading devotions at Evergreen, Westview, and Cherry Creek Place

September 3 - Ed Voth (Aviation Mission Network) at WMC sharing during our worship service

September 10 - Communion & Back to School blessing service

September 16 - Kay Stow's funeral at WMC 2pm

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.

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](http://www.MCCcanada.ca) (www.MCCcanada.ca)

Save the Date - MCIS Returning Wealth Event

Saturday, November 11, 2023. 8:45am-4:00pm

Fort Garry Mennonite Fellowship

Join in for a day of conversations around relationship healing, land repair, and land return. Special keynote by Sarah Augustine, Executive Director of The Coalition to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery.

www.mennochurch.mb.ca/events