

PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

WMC FAMILY...Neufeld, Jake

Health, healing, comfort:

...Dave Reimer & family, Esther (Betty A's sister), Randy Sawatzky,
Joan West

Pray for the Vietnamese Mennonite Church...

With a membership of 40-50, the majority Vietnamese, the Vietnamese Mennonite Church in Winnipeg focuses on spiritual growth within the congregation and spreading God's message to the local Vietnamese community. Led by Pastor Hoa Van Chau, in addition to their Sunday worship services they hold weekly music practice, children's Bible classes, and Saturday night Bible studies, as well as providing support visits to those in need. After each worship service, they share a meal prepared by rotating families, building a strong communal bond. Pray for unity among church members, as well as the strengthening of core members enthusiastic about God's teachings and outreach to the Vietnamese community. Pray also for plans to establish cell groups following a Vietnamese and Southeast Asian model.

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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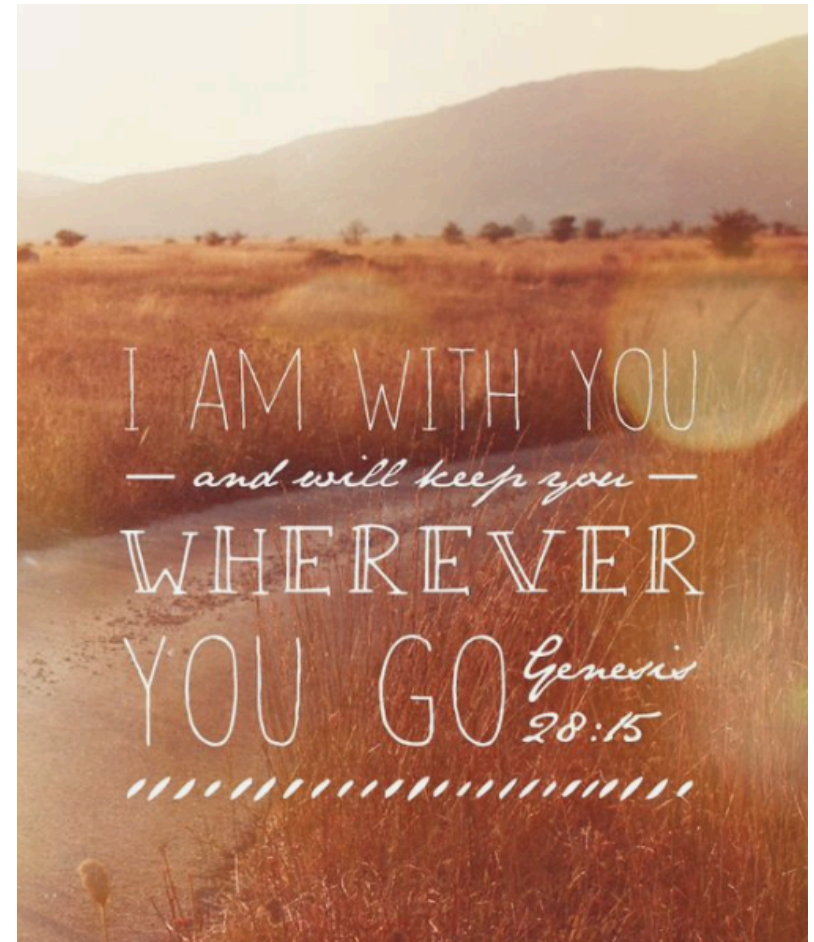
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Whitewater Mennonite Church



January 14th, 2024

Music: Sheldon Dyck

Worship Leader: Heather Heide

Sermon: Pastor Wes Goertzen

John 1:43-51 NRSV

43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." 49 Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." 51 And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."



Supporting Texts: 1 Cor 6:12-20, Psalm 139:1-6, 13-24. Gen 28:10-17

Announcements and Upcoming Events

January 21 - Soup & Pie Fundraiser for Boissevain Youth Group

January 28 - WMC Annual Congregational Meeting

February 27-28 - Festival of the Arts at WMC

March 4-7 - Festival of the Arts at WMC

March 17 - Festival of the Arts awards ceremony

Leadership & Members of Church-related boards - Please send your 2023 End of Year reports to Laura as soon as possible.

The Boissevain Youth Mission Team will be hosting a Soup & Pie Fundraiser after church on Sunday, January 21st at Boissevain MB Church. We will start to serve lunch around 12:15pm. You are invited to join us for delicious homemade soup and dessert to support a great cause. This will be our final fundraiser for our upcoming Mission Trip. There will be a gluten-free option for soup and dessert! All Funds raised will be allocated to our Spring Break Mission Trip to Florida!

Camp Koinonia invites applications for the Camp Manager and Food Services Coordinator positions. Visit www.campkoino.ca/opportunities for more info.

MCM Mondays. Jan 15, 7:30pm on Zoom. These sessions are meant for everyone in the congregation who is interested in the topic. "Children's Ministry: experiments that seem to be working" Join a panel discussion exploring what congregations are discovering about children's ministry, with panelists: Angela Hildebrand, Mark Tiessen Dyck and Tobia Veith. Hosted by Kathy Giesbrecht. www.mennochurch.mb.ca/mcmmondays for more info and the Zoom link.