

PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

WMC FAMILY...West, Joan

Health, healing, comfort:

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

...Praise - Randy Sawatzky has improved without needing additional surgery! And is now home and recovering. Randy and Chris are very thankful for the prayers. - Catherine

Praying for our congregations -

Morden Mennonite Church is a group of ordinary people on an extraordinary journey with Jesus. It's a journey of faith and love on the path toward greater peace and justice. They welcome into their fellowship people of any race, age, ability, income, family status, gender identity, and sexual orientation, and invite full participation in their congregational life including baptism, church membership, marriage, and church leadership. After another surplus year, they are trying to prepare a new budget in line with their current realities and they are also undergoing a pastoral review process. They would appreciate prayers for wisdom and discernment.

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.

Whitewater Mennonite Church



February 11th, 2024

Music: George & Catherine Heide

Worship Leader: Heather Goertzen

Sermon: Ron Goertzen
Jonah: A Reluctant Prophet

Jonah 1:1-4 NRSV

1 Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah son of Amittai, saying, 2 "Go at once to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it, for their wickedness has come up before me." 3 But Jonah set out to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid his fare and went on board, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the LORD.

4 But the LORD hurled a great wind upon the sea, and such a mighty storm came upon the sea that the ship threatened to break up.

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MCM Mondays - Feb 12 - "Food security and food production"

Farmer Sandra Dyck will share about a recent trip to Africa, where she visited Project Canaan, and saw first-hand the impact of a hunger initiative and global partnerships. How are we impacting food security locally and around the world through our efforts? Hosted by Melanie Neufeld.

www.mennochurch.mb.ca/mcmmondays for more info and the Zoom link.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

February 13 - St. Matthew's Shrove Tuesday pancake supper

February 14 - Ash Wednesday

February 18 - 2024 Budget Meeting

February 25 - Whitewater Bowls! Details below.

February 27-28 - Festival of the Arts at WMC

February 28 - Boissevain Food Pantry annual meeting

March 4-7 - Festival of the Arts at WMC

March 17 - Festival of the Arts awards ceremony

If you are planning to attend the **MCM Gathering on March 1 & 2**, at Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Winkler, please let Laura D know asap! Registration is due by February 14th. Billets are available.

2024 Budget Meeting All members are invited to a short meeting following the service on Sunday, February 18th to review revisions made to the budget per feedback from the January 28th meeting. See mailbox for proposed budget.

Whitewater Bowls! Join us at the Boissevain bowling alley @ 3pm on Sunday, February 25. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Pizza supper to follow at the church.

Boissevain Food Pantry will be holding their Annual Meeting at the Family Worship Center on February 28th, 2024 at 2:30pm.

February 13 - St. Matthew's is hosting a pancake supper for Shrove Tuesday. It's from 5-7pm, rides are being offered by the handivan free of charge.

A great summer of camp is coming! All registrations are open: campers, staff, volunteers. www.campswithmeaning.org