

## PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

### WMC FAMILY:

\*... **Anne & Jake Neufeld**

\*... Health, healing, comfort: **Betty & Don Engbrecht**, **Carvette Keeper** (*Marg Kroeker*) **Will Voth** (Hedy & Edith's bro) **Nicole & Kyle Reimer**

\*... Condolences to **Anne & Jake Neufeld** on the passing of Anne's sister **Hilda**.

\*... Condolences to the families on the passing of **Peter Fast**.

\*... **P Wes & Heather**: upcoming immigration interview in Winnipeg for permanent residency status

**Our Community... Prairie Partners** are looking to expand the volunteer program.

Visiting with supported persons at the Sawmill or taking them to a sporting event are ways of helping out.

### Wider Church....

... **Voices Together** – new denominational hymnal project committee is meeting this week in Kitchener-Waterloo with the goal of singing through 780 songs.

### ... Climate strikes and Indigenous Rights

Youth across Canada went on strike September 27, joining thousands of students around the world crying out for a "new creation" and a "Green New Deal" ([www.climatestrikecanada.org](http://www.climatestrikecanada.org)). One of the seven key demands Canadian youth have put forth is the "full adoption and implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples," echoing Call to Action 43 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. <https://climatestrikecanada.org/september>.

### WMC's Identity Statement:

'With our feet firmly planted in our Anabaptist and Mennonite beginnings, 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!**

#### Whitewater Mennonite Church

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Church Booking? Contact Matt or Herman

# Whitewater Mennonite Church



Message:

Herb Franz

Music:

Peter G Dyck

October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 10:45 a.m.

## 1 Kings 19:1-13 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

*Thoughts:*

Boissevain Youth: Stuart Burnett 557-7486 [stuart\\_burnett@live.com](mailto:stuart_burnett@live.com)  
Bible Studies Tuesdays: 3:30-5pm Jr, 7-9pm- Sr

*"It's one thing to personally accept Christ's boundless grace, and another to avoid hoarding it for ourselves"* — John Pavlovitz, *A Bigger Table*



Enneagram Five "Investigators" are hounded by greed and the lie: "I am what I have." Not generally bound by the typical accumulating of material things they hoard time, energy, emotion, connection, knowledge creating barriers against outside intrusion. "I am safe if I have answers." Black holes for knowledge, outwardly many Fives are quiet sponges but inwardly they are anything but. Only with diligent repentance and work do they offer up what they know and who they are for the benefit of others. Fives are invited to Consent to Silence. To stop their thinking and learning and rest in the present with the God who knows. Mature Fives see clearly and act decisively on behalf of others.



### TODAY

Oct 8  
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Nov 1  
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- ~ **Welcome!**  
~ **Camp Koino Launch Party** #2, B Board  
~ Eden Lectures: Mental Health - **'Addictions'**  
~ Westview & Evergreen devotions & singing  
~ Thanksgiving  
~ BHC Ladies Auxiliary Luncheon, Legion Hall, 11am -1pm  
~ Wood cutters @ Koinoina  
~ Youth for Christ, *Gala of Hope, Fundraising Event* **B Board**  
~ SW Prolife Banquet, 6pm, Boissevain Community Ctr  
~ 'Infuse', MCMb Fall Sessions, *'Mission and Vulnerability'*  
~ Prairie Partners Community Fall Supper

### Activities & Interests ...

#### WMC:

- Sunday School Class art project:** Asking for each WMC member/family to contribute a piece of *'fabric'* towards this project. For more details - **Laura Dyck**
- Check out the **book display** from the Common Word bookstore on the desk inside Admin office.

#### Community....

- MCC Brandon Relief Sale:** Thanks to all who participated and supported this effort. Sausages still available- contact Rita Engbrecht **\$80,000+** collected  
Many options for continued support throughout the year include hygiene/school kits.
- Camp Koinonia Inc Launch Party: TODAY!** 3:30pm @ Camp Koinonia.  
Celebration of Koino's newly incorporated status and its management group.  
All welcome