



Hope Mennonite Church acknowledges our presence on the lands of the Cree, Ojibway, Dakota, and Metis nations, on Treaty lands, covenanted between Indigenous and settler peoples in 1871. We are grateful to our host nations.

THIS SUNDAY: Nov.15

10:00 am Clare S will be leading the service. Laura P is leading music, Stephen NR is the Zoom host. Barry S and Harold D will be providing personal reflections on the theme, "How does Jesus invite us to see ourselves, our world, and God?"

There will be break out groups after the service – stick around to visit! People have been talking about how much they miss seeing you!

NEXT SUNDAY: Nov.22

10 am Eternity Sunday. Traditionally, we use this Sunday to remember people we have lost in the past year, plus other losses. This has been a year full of losses: loss of community and connection, loss of health, loss of jobs and/or income, loss of supports and routine. To name a few. Jason H is leading music, Brian D is the Zoom host.

Please also note the **grief retreat that Laura Funk** and others are leading, two days earlier. Laura sent out the information to the list serve.

A Reminder:

Hope provides a variety of resources for people in need of support, including subsidized counseling sessions at Recovery of Hope. We also have a variety of gifted resource people available to help you access the resources you might need. Speak to Lynell or Lisa for more information.

Hope News

The second floor office at Crossways, which is typically the Associate Pastor office, and for awhile was a Children's Circle class, is now being rented by Wolseley Family Place. Since Lisa is working from home, and since we no longer need it for a gathering space (even when we actually gather), and since Wolseley Family Place is short on space, we made an arrangement with them to use the space.

Lynell has returned to her home office. She can be reached via email, or on her cell phone at 204-797-0328.

After Church: Nov.22

After the service, around 11:10, we will begin a congregational meeting, one of two meetings (with the same agenda – we are just offering two different times. Second meeting is below.) to discuss the outside giving part of our budget. See materials sent out by Ruth and Sandy. Come prepared to hear various perspectives and discuss our values as they are expressed in our budget. Everyone is welcome!

Budget Meeting:

Budget meeting alternative time. If you can't make the first meeting on Sunday, Nov 22, or haven't had your fill of budget meetings, or just want to see the lovely faces of the people of Hope...you are welcome.

MC Manitoba & MC Canada

MCM Youth Peace Witness Event 2020 Edition is happening on Nov. 11 7pm. Gathering in on Zoom we will engage in: worship, storytelling, snack showcasing and signage creation. Entitled 'Rememberingour Resolves', we will hear Esther Epp Tiessen, Matthew Veith and Steve Heinrichs reflect upon their work with the newly released Anthology 'Be it Resolved'. Contact Kathy Giesbrecht, kgiesbrecht@mennochurch.mb.ca for the Zoom link.

The Government of Canada promised to introduce legislation to implement the **UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples by the end of 2020**. With only one month to go before the House of Commons breaks for the year, we are still waiting and praying! Please send the Minister of Justice and key politicians an urgent message—using [MCC's Take Action Letter](#)—to support this “framework for reconciliation” (Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada).

Due to the latest provincial restrictions on COVID 19, **Camp Assiniboia will be closed until further notice**. Sunday afternoon trail walks will resume when these restrictions are lifted. Thank you everyone and stay safe!

Canadian Mennonite University

Face2Face | From Violence to Peace: Stories can change the world – CMU's next Face2Face conversation draws upon a CMU Peace and Conflict Transformation Studies class, 'Cultures of Violence, Cultures of Peace'. This class of 27 includes 11 students from the Mindanao Peacebuilding Institute (MPI) in the Philippines. The weekly learning, relationships, and stories shared by these students and peace practitioners have been transformative. **Wednesday, November 18 from 8:00–9:30 PM (CST) Online**, somewhat later than normal in order to accommodate participants in the Philippines, given a 13-hour time difference. The livestream feed will be available here www.cmu.ca/face2face.

During the pandemic CMU remains **VIRTUALLY OPEN** to all prospective students. Any student who applies by November 30 will have the \$80.00 application fee waived! Sign up for an **Individual Virtual Visit** and a one-on-one conversation with an Admissions Counselor at enrolment.cmu.ca/portal/virtual_visits or choose to be part of CMU's next **Virtual Campus Visit Day** on Friday, November 27 from 4:00–5:00 PM (CST). Register for this and other dates at www.cmu.ca/virtualopenhouse.

CMU is seeking your help! Students presently living on campus, whose homes are east of Terrace Bay, Ontario, will be returning to spend time with their families over the Christmas break. On their return in January they must each quarantine for 14 days. CMU faces space limits for this purpose on their return and we are looking to secure vacant basement suites, apartments, heated trailers, hotel suites... for students from Ontario facing this reality. Accommodations must include a private bedroom, private bathroom, and a good internet connection – and ideally a space for the student to cook for her/himself. Should you be aware of any possibilities, or want to know more, please contact Charlie Peronto, CMU Director of Student Life, at cperonto@cmu.ca. Thank you!

Mennonite Central Committee

Don't miss the Centennial Celebration on Saturday, Nov 21 at 7pm! This exciting event will feature stories of MCC's work, music, prayer and a time of thanksgiving. We hope to see you there, virtually! Visit mccmb.ca/Events to register.

The Christmas Craft and Bake Sale has been cancelled due to COVID-19 limitations. If you have any questions about how you can support MCC's Material Resources work contact us at 204-261-6381 or MaterialResources@mccmb.ca.

University students, curious about how MCC advocates to the Canadian government? Learn about MCC Ottawa and how we are reshaping Canadian aid policy to create lasting change. Learn more and apply at mccmb.ca/Student-Seminar

Give the perfect Christmas gift this season. Choose a goat, solar lanterns or a brood of chicks. Chickens provide eggs, meat and can boost income for families around the world. Purchase your Christmas Giving gift at mccmb.ca/Christmas or call 204-261-6381.

Other Opportunities

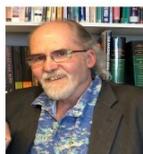
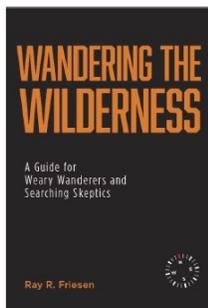
CommonWord

Bookstore and Resource Centre

Virtual Book Launch

An Evening with **Ray Friesen**

Thursday, November 12, 7:00 PM (Central)



Join Ray, former pastor and lifelong "believing skeptic," as he reflects on his own wilderness experiences alongside Dr. Brené Brown's Wholehearted living research and offers an ancient biblical pathway for our own desert pilgrimage.

Register

commonword.ca/go/2159

Westgate Mennonite Collegiate

As members of Westgate's community you are invited to join us at Westgate Mennonite Collegiate's **virtual** Annual General Meeting on Monday, November 30th, 7:00 pm. If you would like a copy of the AGM booklet or would like the link to attend the Zoom meeting please contact the school at 204-775-7111 or westgate@westgatemennonite.org.