



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: Oct.18

Vivian will be leading us. The service will be a celebration of nature, autumn and the harvest season and a hands-on opportunity to express our gratitude, drawing on stories and elements from various world-wide traditions. Zoom host is Stephen N-R. Vi is leading us in worship.

NEXT SUNDAY: Oct.25

We are beginning a series on blindness and sight. Krystan P is speaking, Vivian U is worship leading, Kevin K is leading music. Gilbert D is the Zoom host. We will also be giving thanks for and blessing Aksel Friesen Thiessen and his family: Kira, Kenton and siblings Acacia and Wolfgang.

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Hope News

Because of the current Code Orange regulations, Steering has made the decision to return to Zoom-only gatherings. We are expecting to keep to this venue at least until January 2021, though we will revisit the decision in mid-November.

Wisdom Literature

Wednesday, October 21, at 1:00 pm, we will conclude our three week study on Wisdom Literature, lead by Lynell. We will aim to meet for about 45 minutes (though it is usually more like 60!). The topic for this week is the book of Ecclesiastes.

Did you know?!

Did you know that Hope applied for a grant from Mennonite Disaster Service "Spirit of MDS" fund? We applied for money on behalf of West Broadway Community Ministries, for their ongoing work to support the most vulnerable in our community. We received, and passed on, \$1000. Thanks to Mennonite Disaster Service for their generosity!

A Reminder:

Hope Mennonite welcomes full participation of people who hold a variety of beliefs and practices with regards to spirituality and theology. Our Covenant says that we desire to be "hospitable to those with differing beliefs."

MC Manitoba & MC Canada

Join us online for **The Camps with Meaning "Break the Bank-uet" Fundraising Celebration**. October 25, 7:00pm. With musical guests Steve Bell, Fred Penner, Kim Thiessen and Darryl Neustaedter Barg and our camp staff. Enjoy visual updates from Camp Assiniboia and Camp Koinonia. Donate generously to keep the camping ministry flame burning. www.campswithmeaning.org/banquet

Are you a student at the University of Manitoba? Are you looking for a place to connect with others and integrate your university experience in a Christian faith context? Check out mennooffice.ca for links to our new video and to connect with the "E Menno Office" on Discord. If you have questions, contact Mark von Kampen (mvonkampen@gmail.com).

Concordia Hospital has a 0.8FTE permanent Chaplaincy position open. Interested individuals are invited to apply through WRHA careers at <https://careers.wrha.mb.ca/job/Winnipeg-Spiritual-Health-Practitioner-MB/542005017/> For more information, please contact Kathleen Rempel Boschman, Manager of Spiritual Care, Concordia Hospital 204 661 7149

This fall, **Camp Assiniboia is open on Sundays from 2-5 pm for anyone** who would like to come and explore its trails! Admission is free, donations accepted. Please let us know you're coming ahead of time - call David Hogue at (204) 864-2159 Ext. 3.

New anthology documents Anabaptist commitments to Indigenous justice

Indigenous-Settler Relations, together with Mennonite Central Committee, has just produced a new book to help congregations reflect on the radical history of Mennonite advocacy for Indigenous justice. Be It Resolved gathers more than five decades of church resolutions, official statements and public letters to help nurture education and solidarity action for today. Complete with a study guide, this is a great resource to spark group discussion. Visit www.commonword.ca/go/2142 to pre-order your copies.



Canadian Mennonite University

CMU's first **In-Person Campus Visit Day** of the fall is on **Friday, October 23** and will include a campus tour, conversations with faculty and current students, along with a presentation on financial aid opportunities. This is an invaluable opportunity for students and parents to explore what CMU has to offer. Maximum six individuals, all masked, per group. Sign up for one of 5 two-hour slots through the day at cmu.ca/campus-visit-day-oct23. For those not able to be present in person, a **Virtual Campus Open House** will take place 4:00 PM on **Friday, October 30**.

Check out inspiring stories on a new on-campus **composting project**; a CMU partnership with REES (Respect, Educate, Empower Survivors) - a new online platform for reporting sexual violence on university campuses; the **10th anniversary of the CMU farm** and how it has impacted the CMU community; and learn how a **summer practicum placement** for two Peace and Conflict Transformation students, focussed on a new opera called, *Li Keur: Riel's Heart of the North*, is shaping their CMU experience. <https://media.cmu.ca/>

Mennonite Central Committee

MCC staff look forward to seeing you from a safe distance this season. At this time, visitors are welcome by appointment only at our offices located at 134 Plaza Drive, 159 Henderson Highway and Material Resource Centres in Winnipeg and Plum Coulee. To make an appointment with staff about a donation or to schedule a meeting, please contact reception at 204-261-6381 (Plaza) or 204-925-1910 (Henderson) or email manitoba@mccmb.ca.

New webinar following the journey of a relief kit on Oct 23 at 12pm. When disaster strikes, our supporters provide much needed emergency supplies like relief kits, comforters and canned meat. Find out how the items you generously donate are sent across the globe to touch the lives of those in need. Learn more at mccmb.ca/Webinars.

Discover a century of relief, development and peace at the *MCC 100 Years* exhibit at the Mennonite Heritage Museum. To view museum hours or social distancing guidelines for a safe experience, visit mccmb.ca/Events.

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible: Join [Safwat Marzouk](#), Ph.D., and [Drew Strait](#), Ph.D., to study pertinent biblical passages and reflect on how these texts form practices of peace and justice today.

A Worship Leader's Introduction to *Voices Together*: Join [Katie Graber](#), Ph.D., and [Anneli Loep Thiessen](#), M.M., to explore how your worship can grow in vitality through understanding the new *Voices Together* worship and song collection within the unique culture of your church community.

Other Opportunities

Winnipeg Mennonite Elementary and Middle Schools invites applications for the position of: **Director of Community Relations & Marketing**. For more information please visit our website at www.wmems.ca and click employment. Winnipeg Mennonite Elementary and Middle Schools invites applications for the position of: **Bus Driver - Bedson Campus**. For more information please visit our website at www.wmems.ca and click employment.

Free, confidential service launches to help people impacted by COVID-19 navigate available community and government supports

Everyone in Manitoba now has access to 211 phone service and mb.211.ca, a free, confidential information navigation service that connects people to critical government and community-based health and social services in their community thanks to funding from the Government of Canada. 211 Manitoba is led by United Way Winnipeg in collaboration with Volunteer Manitoba and includes a multisector Advisory Committee.

Whether a parent worried about their child's mental health, a senior feeling isolated or anxious about getting necessities, a family struggling to put food on the table, or an individual looking for help to better understand what financial support is available to them, 211 is the front door to support.

211 helps people navigate the complex network of government and community programs and services quickly and easily and promises access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in over 150 languages. Across Manitoba, the service is offered through phone and website. In all cases, 211 confidentially connects people who are seeking support to the right information and services.