



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: Sept.20

We will meet again in neighbourhood groups.

You should be contacted in the next day or so by the appropriate leader – if you are not, contact Lynell if you want to know more.

River Heights/Corydon/Fort Rouge (Matt P) – Bill B is leading

South Osborne/East of the Red (Dori ZC) – Dori ZC is leading

West End/Westwood (Krystan P) – Krystan Pawlikowski
Wolseley (Emily L) – Matt and Laura Pauls

West Broadway/Downtown (Lynell B) – will meet with the West End group, hosted by Krystan Pawlikowski

We miss you!

New opportunities for connecting, learning and growing together will be announced in the coming weeks. We are putting together a list of resources and events hosted, planned, or lead by Hope folks, as well as others, for you to connect in to.

Adult Ed

Starting Wednesday, October 7, at 1:00 pm via Zoom, we will begin a three week study on Wisdom Literature, lead by Lynell. We will aim to meet for about 45 minutes.

Children's Circle & Youth

Children's Circle & Youth in Munson Park at 11:45 am (snack/lunch) and then we will start the story at noon.

NEXT SUNDAY: Sept.27

We will be meeting via Zoom.

Selenna Wolfe is speaking, Lynell is worship leading.

Hope News

Sunday worship will be on a four week rotation. See schedule below.

We will continue this four week rotation until Christmas. The Adult Ed and BRiC committees will also be offering connecting points. Watch your emails, and the website, for future events.

Worship Schedule Coming Up

Date	Venue
Oct. 4	Neighbourhood Parks
Oct. 11	Thomson Funeral Home/ Live Stream Zoom
Oct. 18	All Outdoors at Westgate
Oct. 25	Zoom

Update: Meeting in Person

We are excited to share that we are planning our first **Indoor Gathering at Thomson on October 11, 2020**. We will also have live-streaming via Zoom of the service for those who cannot come in-person. In the following weeks we will send out emails about the health & safety protocols for a service indoors.

Lynell's Office Hours

Lynell is back in the office at Crossways. She is generally in the office Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, though it might be good to call ahead to confirm that she is there if you want to stop by: 204-786-5077 is the office number.

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."

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MC Manitoba & MC Canada

Camp Assiniboia facilities are available for rental to families and small groups. View the brochure and rates at <http://www.campswithmeaning.org/rentals>. Please contact Linda at (204) 895-2267 or carentals@campswithmeaning.org.

Canada at a Crossroads online bookclub Oct 8-Nov. 26, 2020

Register at mennonitechurch.ca/crossroads-bookclub

What are the things that separate and unite Indigenous and settler peoples? What can we do to challenge structural racism and repair broken relationship? Join Steve Heinrichs for an online book club this fall, exploring the new book *Canada at a Crossroads* by sociologist Jeff Denis. Beginning Oct. 8, we'll gather by Zoom each Thursday at 7 p.m. (CST) for 8 weeks for a circle conversation, sharing our questions, learnings, hearts and hopes together.

Camp Koinonia is planning on fixing basement issues in the lodge. We are in need of excavating the dirt around the basement, straightening the walls, adding weeping tile, insulating, adding a heated cement floor and more. We are starting on Sept 14th and we could use some volunteers throughout the project. If you are interested in helping please let Matt Heide know your interests at 204-534-8268 or campkoinoniamatt@gmail.com

MCEC TRC Working Group launches online storytelling series (2020-2021)

Kickoff: Sept. 23, 7 p.m. EDT

The Mennonite Church Eastern Canada Truth and Reconciliation Working Group has launched a year-long online story-telling series centred on covenants made, broken and renewed. This series includes Indigenous and Mennonite Settler voices, shining light on the history of broken covenants – and illuminating pathways of hope to a more just future for all nations on this land. Myeengun Henry is the first guest speaker. Register at <https://mcec.ca/programs/truth-and-reconciliation>.

Canadian Mennonite University

Face2Face | *Seeing through the Pandemic: The Art of Noticing*: The impact and uncertainty of COVID-19 can leave all of us feeling anxious about the present and future. An upcoming Face2Face conversation—featuring a panel of four CMU faculty including a Biologist, Philosopher-Theologian, Sociologist, and Music Therapist—will open insights and new perspectives in this time of global pandemic. **Join us on Thursday, September 24, 7:00 – 8:30 PM, via livestream** (given COVID, *no* public access to Marpeck Commons at this time). For more information go to cmu.ca/face2face

Xplore has moved online! Because of COVID-19, the Xplore +55 courses in 20-21 are moving online via Zoom, thus making all courses available widely across the country. Eight stimulating courses, all exploring aspects of faith and life, are offered every Wednesday and Thursday morning over a six-week period, beginning September 30. View course, tuition, and registration information here cmu.ca/explore.

Mennonite Central Committee

Join us for our latest webinar “Advocacy for Peace and Justice: Conversations from the field” on September 24. Hear stories of how advocacy can make a difference in the lives of marginalized and displaced peoples - from Latin America to Palestine and Israel. To register visit mccmb.ca/mcc-webinar-series.

This fall, give the gift of relief. Gather essential hygiene supplies, drop them off between October 15-17, and give hope to those who need it most. Find out which hygiene items are needed most by visiting mccmb.ca/Buckets-Thanks or contact us if you or your church group would like to get involved at 204-261-6381 or events@mccmb.ca.

Looking for a speaker for your next online bible study or group meeting? MCC Manitoba staff members are eager to share their expertise and passions with you through a virtual presentation. To book a speaker for your next online meeting contact us at 204.261.6381 or email events@mccmb.ca.

We Are All Treaty People Celebration takes to the radio waves. Tune into UMFM's radio station in the afternoon of Sept 27 to hear a variety of speakers, including emcee Michael Redhead Champagne, share about what Being Treaty means to them. Find out more at mccmb.ca/Events.