

Grace Mennonite Church

Worship Service

Sunday, October 21

10:00 am



... we pray for mending of our world

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10:00 a.m. – Worship Service
 Pastors Mel Letkeman & Kyle Penner
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 204-326-3707

Fall Worship

God of the Bible STJ# 27

Welcome & Life of the Congregation

Call to Worship

Come, let us all unite to sing HWB# 12

Grace Mennonite's Beginnings with Elbert Toews

Time with Children

Children's Church for age 3 through grade 8 will meet in the foyer

Congregational Prayer & Offering

Invocation

Fill us with your Feast

2 Samuel 11

David, Bathsheba & #metoo

The explicit nature of the biblical text calls for an equally explicit conversation about the text and, I argue, that includes from the pulpit, Wil Gafney, Womanist Hebrew Bible Scholar

Responsive Prayer

Lord, listen to your children HWB# 353

The Lord lift you up STJ# 73

Benediction

Participants in today's Worship Service:

Worship Speaker:	Kyle Penner
Worship Leader:	Tara Klassen
Song Leaders:	Carmel Wiebe, Andrea Dick, Emily Stobbe-Wiebe, Sherril Reimer, Wes Reimer
Accompanists:	Alexandra Nikkel, Roxanne Klassen
Children's Church:	Tom Wiebe, Sarah Dyck, Joy Neufeld, Amanda Dupont
Children's Time:	Hannah Neufeldt, Lisa Desautels
Ushers:	Doug Kathler, Sarah Neufeld
Coffee Servers:	Helen Barkman, Joy Neufeld
Sound Tec:	Jessica Boese
Computer Tec:	Matt Boese

All are welcome to join us for cookies and coffee in the foyer following the worship service this morning.

We thank the grade 5 – 8 children for serving the cookies.

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Sunday, October 28

I Kings 3

'How do we feel God's justice is revealed by our Governments?'
with Mel Letkeman

Sunday's at Grace

Children's Church for ages 3 to Grade 8 is held during the worship service.

You may pick up your children following the worship service in the upper level, classrooms 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14.

Sisters of Grace – 11:15

We invite all women for a time of sharing and prayer as we read the book:

We Make the Road by Walking (Brian McLaren)

We will meet in the lounge located in the lower level.

Adult Formation – 11:15

All are welcome to meet with Kyle to continue the conversation
In the room adjacent to the sanctuary.

We Pray

We pray for those dealing with ongoing medical concerns and treatments:

**Matt Rogalsky, John Neufeld, Regon Barkman,
Laurie Kroeker, Virginia Fast, Marion Penner
Barb Dyck, Betty Koop and Elmer Joy.**

Prayer for this week:

Guide us in ways that our communities of faith may be safe places for each other.

Grace is part of the CARE program... The program provides professional counseling for any person, couple, or family in our congregation. See the poster in the foyer for information if you would like to make an appointment. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to one of the pastors.

Resources:

- To contact the 24/7 Sexual Assault Crisis Line, call 1-888-292-7565.
- To contact MCC about resources, support groups, consultations & information contact Jaymie Friesen, MCC's Abuse Response and Prevention Coordinator, at 1-204-925-1917, or visit abuseresponseandprevention.ca
- To report clergy abuse, call Rick Neufeld at Mennonite Church Manitoba, 1-204-896-1616.

Opportunities at Grace

Grace Formation Opportunities:

Join other people from Grace to watch and discuss the documentary, **Colonization Road**. The evening will be held at Dale & Monica Martens, 448 Reimer Ave., Steinbach, Saturday, November 3 at 7:00. Coffee and Tea will be provided, please bring a snack to add to our snack table. Space is limited so if you are interested sign up on the sheet on the ushers table in the foyer.

As part of Grace Formation, Dennis Hiebert will be leading a book study, on his book **Sweet Surrender**. The book considers Christian and cultural aspects of marriage. It will run Thursday's November 1 – December 6, 7:30 – 9:00pm. More information on the book is available on the usher's table in the foyer.

All who attend Grace Mennonite Church may receive a subscription to **Canadian Mennonite**. The biweekly magazine is delivered in print, by email, or both. Subscriptions are paid for collectively through Grace Mennonite. To start a new subscription, add digital delivery to an existing print subscription, or switch to digital-only, please contact the office (204-326-3707) or email cathy@gracesteinbach.ca by October 24.

Community Opportunities

Singin' in the Grain is celebrating the 35th anniversary of Canadian Foodgrains Bank and you are invited! Come enjoy two fantastic male choirs led by a father and son team, Ben Pauls with the Faith and Life Male Choir and Matt Pauls with the CMU Men's Choir. These fundraising concerts to help provide food for Syrians in refugee camp will take place on October 27th at the Springfield Heights Mennonite Church at 7 - 00 and October 28th, and at Emmanuel Mennonite in Winkler at 3. That's 'Singin' in the Grain, October 27th at 7 and 28th at 3.

Speaking Our Peace - from Israel Palestine. Come join in or listen to a conversation with Sahar Vardi, a Jerusalem based activist and military refusnik (conscientious objector) and Tarek Zoughbi, a Christian Palestinian. They are in Canada touring with MCC Manitoba and will be sharing their stories about daily life in Israel and occupied Palestine and their hopes for peace in their States. Come and hear about what is really going on in Israel Palestine on **Sunday Oct 28th and 7 p.m at Grace Mennonite Church**.

This week at Grace:

- Sunday:** **Worship at Resthaven, 2:30 pm**
Monday: **Red River English classes (Monday thru Thursday)**
 Sandwich preparation for HSD students, 9:00 am
- Tuesday:** **Soup's On, 5:00 pm**
Friday: **Soup's On, 5:00 pm**
 Grace Women's Retreat
- Sunday:** **Speaking our Peace, 7 pm**

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