

Grace Mennonite Church

Sunday, December 30

10:00 am



... naming & proclaiming

Grace Mennonite Church

10:00 a.m. – Worship Service
 Pastors Mel Letkeman & Kyle Penner
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Welcome & Life of the Congregation

Come, thou long-expected Jesus HWB# 178 vs 1 & 2

Call to Worship

O come, all ye faithful HWB# 212

Praise, I will praise you, Lord HWB# 76

Children's Time

The Benedictus Prayer

Based on Luke 1:67-80

The Prayer

Naming and Proclaiming
(Seeing and Responding)

You are salt for the earth HWB# 226

Prayer & Offering

Sent forth by God's blessing HWB# 478

Benediction

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

Participants in today's Worship Service:

Worship Speaker:	Mel Letkeman
Worship Leader:	Alyssa Lord
Song Leader:	Elbert Toews
Worship Music:	Elbert & Lorraine Toews
Accompanist:	Margaret Boschman
Children's Time:	Mel Letkeman
Ushers:	Vi Brown, Thanh Trinh, Brenda Penner
Coffee Servers:	Kurt & Pearl Barz
Sound Tec:	Bruce Blatz
Computer Tec:	Chris Peters

Sunday, January 6
Epiphany - Matthew 2:1-12
with Kyle Penner

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.

Children's church will pause for Christmas Break (December 30th & January 6th) and resume on Sunday January 13th.

Sisters of Grace

11:15 am

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.

We Pray

We pray for those in our community who use the resources that help with their lives on a daily basis: **Agape House, Soup's On, Southeast Helping Hands, Today House, Steinbach Community Outreach.**

Prayer for this week:

Pray for faith to participate in God's work around you.

A note from Grace Council:

Save the date! The Grace AGM will be January 27th starting at 11:15 am with lunch being served.

Just a reminder that for those people with outstanding 2018 building fund pledges, if you want these funds to be included on your 2018 tax receipt the funds need to be received by December 31.

This week at Grace:

Monday: Red River winter break – classes are cancelled this week
Sandwich making cancelled this week due to HSD winter break
Tuesday: Soup's On, 5:00 pm
Grace Office will be closed for January 1st holiday
Friday: Soup's On, 5:00 pm

Please see the bulletin board for:

- December 2018 Newsletter from Damaris and Daniel Loewen-Rudgers
- Christmas letter from John and Karen Friesen
- Information on MCM, MCC, church & community events.

Grace contacts:

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O Emmanuel

O Emmanuel, our king and our lawgiver,
The hope of the nations and their saviour;
Come and save us, Our Lord...our God

O come, o come and be our God-with-us
A long sought With-ness for a world without,
O secret seed, o hidden spring of light,
Come to us Wisdom, come unspoken Name
Come Root, come Key, and King and Holy Flame.

O quickened little wick so tightly curled,
Be folded with us into time and place,
Unfold for us the mystery of grace
And make a womb of all this wounded world.

O heart of heaven beating in the earth
O tiny hope within our hopelessness
Come to be born, to bear to us our birth,
To touch a dying world with new-made hands,
And make these rags of time our swaddling bands

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