

Grace Mennonite Church
Sunday,
November 22, 2020



Be Still

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10:00 a.m. – Worship Service

Pastors Mel Letkeman & Kyle Penner

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This Sunday morning you'll be receiving a Constant Contact email with a link to Zoom Worship starting at 10:00 a.m. It will be live, not recorded, so you'll need to join at 10:00 in order to be part of it.

Here is the link for those who would like to set it up earlier

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8984736540>.

Zoom Worship Order

Welcome & Life of the Congregation

Break-Out Rooms *

Introduce yourself, and High/Lowligh of the week

Call to Worship

Come and See

Prayer

Children of the Heavenly father

Hebrews 4:9, Matthew 11:29-30

Reflecting with Tara

Break-out Groups *

Have you been able to find moments of rest for your mind and soul these past months?

If so, when and how?

What practices help you to be still?

What do you find most difficult about this time of wilderness?

You shall go out with joy

Benediction

*During the zoom worship there will be a time for break out groups - It will give you an option to join a group or stay with the original group until the smaller groups return (approx. 10 minutes).

Feel free to join a group or opt out, at the designated time.

Kyle will guide you through this.

Worship Leader:

Worship Speaker:

Worship Music:

Kyle Penner

Tara Klassen

Leroy Penner

Sunday, November 29

We are working/planning for what our Sundays will look like for the next while and will let you know when we do.

Per public health guidelines, our Church is closed.
If you need to get into the building for something,
please contact the office via email.

Grace Office Staff will be working from home until further notice.

We Pray Together

Prayer for our Congregation:

We pray for all those in our congregation who are sick and ill.

Prayer for our Community: For healing of all the events from the past 2 weeks. For rest. That we can encourage and support each other.

We pray for all well-being of all the health care workers, hospital patients, and their families.

Community Resources: Agape House, Soups On, Southeast Helping Hands, & Steinbach Community Outreach as they continue to work and support those in need, during these difficult days.

Prayer for this Week: Lord, give me rest.

Prayer for the World: We pray for those who in Central America who are working at rebuilding their lives after living through Hurricanes Eta and Iota.

Our Condolences go out to the family of **Margaret Boschman** and her dear friends at Grace. Margaret passed away on Monday, November 16 at her residence. A celebration of her life will be held at a later date. "The joy of the LORD is my Strength".



Opportunities at Grace

Wanting to connect with your friends from Grace? You are welcome to join our Facebook group @ Connecting Community – Grace Mennonite.

Advent Reverse Calendar: Not just for kids! We will be emailing you later this week about an Advent Giving Project in support of Steinbach Community Outreach.

Wednesday Morning and Evening Zoom Prayers

Wednesday before work in the morning at 7:15 am and at the end of the day at 9:15 pm. You will receive a Zoom invite the evening previous with the link to the prayer time. **Here is the link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8984736540> .



The link for prayers will be sent to you again on Tuesday.

COVID Information Zoom Presentation available for our congregation.

Given the anxiety over COVID, how it is passed and caught, we might be very unsure as to what we can and cannot do during these times. Public Health has given us guidelines and we need to be following their recommendations. While we know what we shouldn't be doing, we are not always clear as to why. And, subsequently, we are not always sure what we can do. So, we've asked a couple of our medical people at Grace, **Carmel Wiebe and Curtis Krahn, to join us for a Zoom gathering** to inform us more thoroughly in regards to this. They shared among other things, an overview how viruses work and how they don't, the rationale behind why masks, and physical distancing work. If interested, **contact Kyle Penner for the link for this zoom conversation held this past week.**

If you like to financially support MCC's work in supporting those who have lived through Hurricanes Eta and Iota, you can do so

here: <https://donate.mcc.org/cause/hurricanes-eta-and-iota-relief>

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cathy@gracesteinbach.ca to add your name to the subscription list.

Grace ZOOM Adult Formation on Naming God: Missing Mother Metaphors

The biblical text contains many metaphorical references to God as our Father, but it also contains many metaphors of God as our mother, doing what only mothers can. However, these metaphors have been historically ignored by the church, thereby deeply shaping both our conscious and subconscious understandings and experiences of God in ways that are profoundly limiting. To broaden and enrich our understandings of God, we will explore the many missing metaphors of God as mother.

In this two-part series, **Val Hiebert**,
Assistant Professor of Sociology at Providence University College,
will first lead us in an anthropological exploration
of the power and influence of language on
Tuesday, November 24.



She will then immerse us in the biblical metaphors
for God as mother on **Tuesday, December 1.**

To join these sessions, click here at 7:30pm on those
dates: <https://prov.zoom.us/j/95794383226>

If you have any questions, contact Dennis Hiebert at
dennis.hiebert@prov.ca .

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- through automatic withdrawal
- e-transfer at donate@gracesteinbach.ca
- emailing the office to arrange a time to drop off a donation

This week at Grace: November 22-29

Sunday: Virtual Worship Service, 10 am

Monday: Soup's On lunch program for HSD, 9:00 am

Tuesday: Soup's On Take out only, 5:00 pm
Zoom Formation, 7:30 pm

Wednesday: Zoom Prayers with Mel: 7:15 am; 9:15pm

Friday: Soup's On, Take Out only, 5:00 pm

Worship service songs for November 22:

Come and See

Come and see,
Come and see,
I am the way and the truth, said he.
Follow me,
Follow me,
come as a child,
O come and see.
Christe, Christe, adoramus te.
Alleluia, Kyrie eleison.

Marilyn Houser Hamm

HWB#20

Children of the Heavenly father

Verse 1

Children of the Heavenly Father
Safely in His bosom gather
Nestling bird nor star in Heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given

Verse 2

God his own doth tend and nourish,
In his holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things he spares them,
In his mighty arms he bears them.

Verse 3

Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever
Unto them His grace He showeth
And their sorrows all He knoweth

Verse 4

Though He giveth or He taketh
God His children ne'er forsaketh
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy

CCLI Song # 7053369

CCLI License # 1259579

HWB#616

You shall go out with joy

Verse

You shall go out with joy
And be led forth with peace
The mountains and the hills
Will break forth before you
There'll be shouts of joy
And all the trees of the field
Will clap will clap their hands

Chorus

And all the trees of the field
Will clap their hands
The trees of the field
Will clap their hands
The trees of the field
Will clap their hands
While you go out with joy

CCLI Song # 20546

CCLI License # 1259579

HWB# 427

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