

Grace Mennonite Church

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10:00 am – Worship Service

Pastors Mel Letkeman & Kyle Penner

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Order of Worship

Welcome and Life of the Congregation

Fill Us with Your Feast VT 309

[Psalm 29:1-4, 11](#)

Call to Worship

Jesus Christ Is Waiting VT 287

Prayer of Confession

See Whose Glory Fills the Skies VT 274

[Isaiah 43:1-3a](#)

Prayer of Thanks

Time with the Children

[John 2:1-11](#)

Good Fruit Under the Peel

God, Whose Giving VT 745

Prayer of Intercession and Offering VT 996

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me VT 429

Benediction

Worship Speaker	Mel Letkeman
Worship Leader	John Mahi
Musicians	Barb Lane, Judy Neufeld, Patrick Friesen, Gerry Sapinsky
Accompanists	Roxanne Klassen, Harv Lane
Technicians	Matthew Boese, Joe Dueck
Ushers	Doug & Elsie Kathler
Greeters	Kiran Mahi, Kyle Penner

Sunday – January 9

10:00 am - Worship Service Attendance OPTION B (*proof of vaccination required, capacity limit 50%*) The worship service will also be livestreamed from 10 – 11 am. Please go to the YouTube website and search for Grace Mennonite Steinbach channel. You will be able to access an **audio recording** on the church website following the morning worship service.

Sisters of Grace will meet in the downstairs lounge every **Sunday at 9:00 am**. We will gather before the worship service for a time of sharing and encouragement as we read the book, **Forgotten Among the Lilies** (by Ronald Rolheiser). It is not necessary to have the book to attend. All are welcome following the worship attendance schedule.

Sunday, January 16th

Speaker: Kyle Penner

Children's Church

[John 2:13-22](#)

What would you do if Jesus came and flipped over YOUR table?

We Pray Together

Pray for our congregation:

Marie Dyck as she recovers from a broken hip.

Doris Friesen recovering at home from a stay in the hospital.

Leona Rempel who is in the hospital.

We Pray for our International Workers:

- **John & Karen Friesen** (Middle East)
- **Daniel & Damaris Loewen Rudgers** (Kenya)
- **Emma Martens** (Rwanda)

Prayer for the week: Lord, show us your good news in times which don't seem to be as good as we would like them to be.

Prayer for the community: With the cold weather, we pray for those who are experiencing homelessness, and the people working to help them.

Prayer for the world: We pray for our health care workers and public health leaders, as they again lead us through another wave of this pandemic. We pray for their safety, strength, and wisdom.

We would like to thank you very much for the gifts we received from the congregation this Christmas. *Mel, Kyle, Cathy, Michael*

This Week at Grace ❖ January 10 – 14

Tuesday	Soup's On Take Out only, 4:30 pm Adult Formation ZOOM , 7:30 pm See information below.
Wednesday	Council Meeting , 7:00 pm in the foyer
Thursday	Stories with Seniors , 10:00 am – ZOOM https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8984736540 High School Youth , 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm Meet at church.
Friday	Soup's On Take Out only, 4:30 pm

Grace Adult Formation on The Harmful Effects of Social Media

Social media have been severely criticized recently for their harmful effects on both individuals and societies. We will watch and then discuss the docudrama *The Social Dilemma* (2020), which gave voice to industry insiders who left because of their alarm upon realizing how what they created was producing anger, depression, polarization, and chaos, while undermining democracy and truth. To join this Zoom session, click the following link on Tuesday, January 11 at 7:30pm:

<https://prov.zoom.us/j/82098972334>

If you have any questions or want to request a recording of this session, contact Dennis Hiebert at dennis.hiebert@prov.ca



Children's Church for ages 3 to Grade 8 will be held during the worship service in the traditional classrooms on alternating Sundays. You may pick up your children following the worship service in the upper level - classrooms 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14. **The next dates for children's church are January 16 & 30.**



Grace Mennonite 2021 AGM will be held Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 7:00 pm. This will be a virtual Zoom meeting. If you are new to Grace and would like to receive the AGM Reports prior to the meeting, please email Cathy at cathy@gracesteinbach.ca.

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An Important Note From Gift Discernment

Congregational life at Grace is that which we do together. One important aspect of that is having those who take leadership positions in the various areas of our life together. Those who take on that leadership begin their two year terms at the end of January.

This year there are a number of those positions that we are currently looking to fill. We are hoping that we will find people interested in taking on that leadership before we meet for our AGM on Jan 26th. If we don't have those roles filled at that time, we'll be discussing it there together.

So, if you are interested in leadership at Grace let us know. Or if you think someone you know would enjoy one of these roles, tap them on the shoulder to see if they'd be interested. If they are, you can recommend them to the Gifts Discernment Commission.

Thanks -

Gifts Discernment Commission:

Cindy Blatz and Ron Dick

While we are in the process of contacting people, the positions still needing to be filled are:

- Church Council Chair
- Community Life (Chair person, 2 members)
- Personnel (2 members)
- Worship Music Coordinator
- Worship Committee (1 member)
- Spiritual Guidance (1 member)
- Gifts Discernment (1 member)