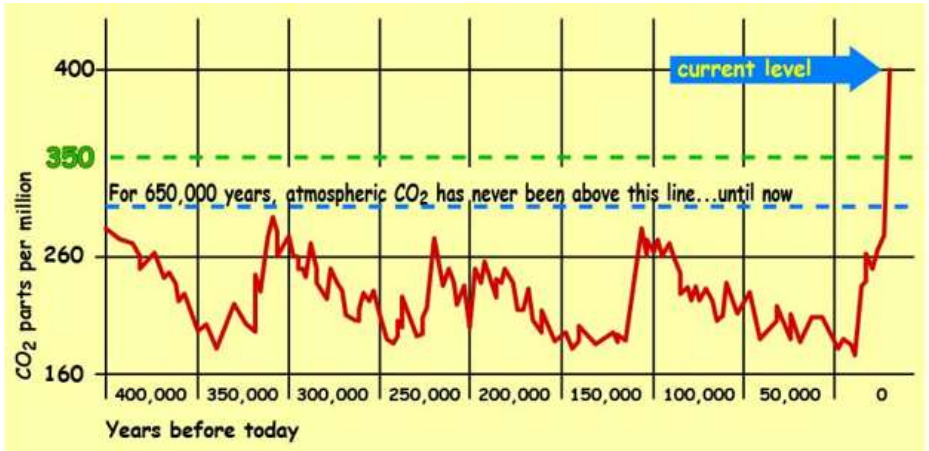
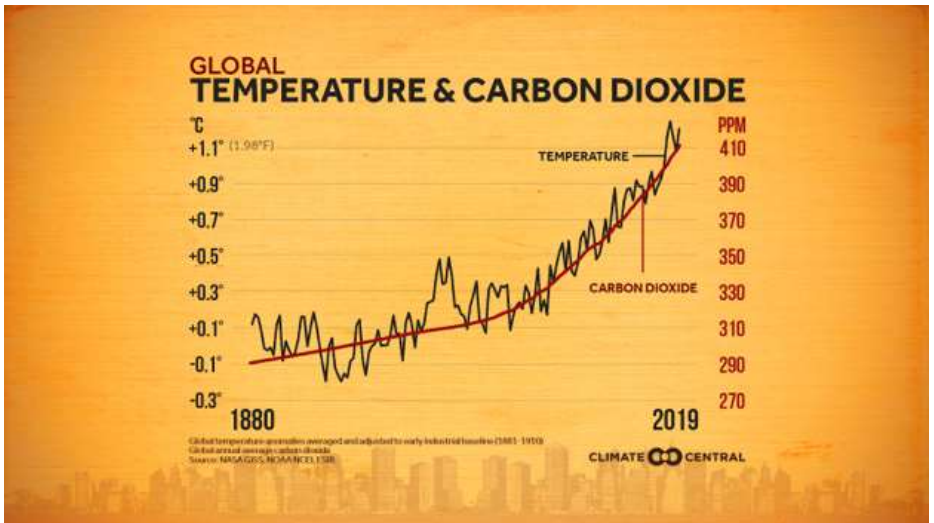


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Source: Nasa Climate Kids  
<https://climatekids.nasa.gov/health-report-air/>



<https://www.climatecentral.org/gallery/graphics/global-temperatures-and-co2-concentrations-2020>

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**10:00 am – Worship Service**

Pastors Mel Letkeman & Kyle Penner

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## Order of Worship

***For the Beauty of the Earth*** VT 120

Welcome and Life of the Congregation

Call to Worship

***Planets Humming as They Wander*** VT 175

Congregational Prayer

Children's Feature

Coins count

***It was Good*** (Genesis 1:6-19) *(Original music by Scott Jodoin)*

Contemplative Prayer

Be Still

***Hands Open*** *(Original music by Rebeka Schroeder)*

[Isaiah 56:6-12](#)

An Admonishment, Tanks, & Guilt

***This Is God's Wondrous World*** VT 180

Benediction

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Worship Speaker

Worship Leader

Musicians

Accompanists

Children's Time

Technicians

Ushers

Kyle Penner

Patrick Friesen

Gary Bergman, Adrielle Jodoin, Scott Jodoin

Karen Toews, Rebeka Schroeder

Mel Letkeman

Lloyd Funk, Tim Schmitt

Vi Brown, Brenda Penner

# Sunday, April 24

## 10:00 am - Worship Service

All are welcome. The balcony is available for those of us who would like to sit physically distanced. Livestream will be available between 10 – 11 am.

9:00 am - Sisters of Grace - 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.

## Grace Adult Formation - How to Have Difficult Conversations”

- ♦ **Workshop #1: Sunday, April 24, 11:00 – 12:30** in the sanctuary after the service. Marta Bunnett Wiebe, Peace & Advocacy Program Coordinator, MCC Manitoba
- ♦ **Workshop #2: Sunday, May 1, 11:00 – 12:30** in the sanctuary after the service. Joanna Hiebert Bergen, Program Director, MCC Manitoba



The Covid pandemic has caused many painful exchanges between associates, friends, and even family members, but so have many other issues. The first workshop will focus on active listening tools such as paraphrasing, asking open questions, and exploring underlying motivations. The second workshop will identify ways that stress manifests in our bodies during these conversations, and tools that help us manage our triggers.

## April 24 is the last Sunday to have pictorial photos taken in the foyer.

If you would like Jackie Koop to take your photo for the pictorial directory, she will be in the foyer at 9:40 am and after the service on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

*Jason & Irene Plett will serve coffee following the service.*

**Grace goes swimming again!** Sunday, April 24, 6:00 – 7:30pm.

**Our Coins Count money** will be going to MCC's Grow Hope Campaign, where \$350 “sponsors” one acre of farmland here in Manitoba. After harvest, the Grow Hope farmer will sell the crop and donate the proceeds to MCC's account at the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, which is matched 4:1 by the Canadian government. That means that every dollar we give can become up to 5 dollars to provide emergency food aid. If you'd like to give extra money besides your coins, you can designate some extra giving to church as Grow Hope and we'll add it to the coins.

**Sunday, May 1**

with Mel Letkeman

Children's Church

Scripture: [Acts 9:1-19](#)

*Reflect on your introduction to Jesus.*

## We Pray Together

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

**Prayer for the week:** When it comes to climate change, help us live in embodied hope.

### Prayers for our world:

- ♦ We pray for vulnerable people around the world as they live with the effects of climate change.
- ♦ Pray for peace in Ukraine. Pray for the people of Ukraine as they live through the ongoing violence.

Our condolences go out to **Werner & Karen Pries** and family on the passing of Werner's father, **Jakob Pries**, on April 19<sup>th</sup>. A private funeral will be held on April 30<sup>th</sup>. We trust you'll know God's love and ours as you say goodbye and begin life without him.

## This Week at Grace ❖ April 25 - 29

<b>Monday</b>	Soup's On - Lunch Program, 9:00 am
<b>Tuesday</b>	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Church Council</b> , 7:00 pm in the foyer
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Foyer reserved</b> , 9 am – 12 noon <b>Stories with Seniors</b> , 10:00 am – <b>ZOOM</b> <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8984736540">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8984736540</a> <b>High School Youth</b> , Activate laser games! RSVP with Kyle. Meet at church at 6 pm (leaving at 6:15 pm). Cost: \$25 Dress to get sweaty.
<b>Friday</b>	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm <b>Middle School Youth Retreat!</b> We're leaving at 6 pm on Friday, and back on Sunday around 1:30 pm.

**Children's Church for ages 3 to Grade 8** will be 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. **The next dates for children's church are May 1, May 15, May 29.**

**Daniel and Damaris Loewen-Rudgers** work with Mission Aviation Fellowship in Kenya. Daniel worshipped here while he was taking flight training. We've come to know them and their family during their regular visits to Canada. They will be in Canada from June 30<sup>th</sup> to August 10<sup>th</sup> for a 6 week visit this summer. They'll be here at Grace on July 10<sup>th</sup> when they'll be sharing with us. As in the past, we'd like to ask if anyone would have a vehicle that they could use during their 6 week stay. They would also need two car seats. They've very much appreciated this help in the past. So, if you might be interested in helping in this way, please be in touch with me. I'd be able to answer any questions you have and also let you know about how they will be using the vehicle, what trips they'll be making, while they are here.

*Thanks...Mel*

**Little Bits of Grace will be resuming our morning coffee** gatherings outdoors at the Jake Epp Library Park! Join us for donuts, juice and coffee. Bring a lawn chair! We'll be there from 10am -12pm, join us at whatever time suits you! Here are the dates: (1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month): May 4, May 18, June 1, June 15. Looking forward to seeing you!

Annalee, Elsie Kroeker, Elsie Kathler, Tam and Mark

### **Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> - Community Pick Up and Walk**

Please add your name to the sign up sheet at the back of the church if you would like to participate. Check the appropriate box indicating whether you are willing to serve, BBQ, drive truck or pick up. If you have questions, you may call Ron Friesen at 204-299-9200.

### **Pauingassi Family Camp**

After a 2 year break, we're planning on heading back to Pauingassi First Nation for camp July 4-9! And we need people of ALL ages to come and help! If you're interested in coming, please talk to Kyle!

**Outdoor Candlelit Vigil for Peace in Steinbach** at the Steinbach United Church on Sundays at 7 pm. This is a weekly event.

**See the foyer bulletin board** for a recent newsletter from Daniel and Damaris Loewen-Rudgers as well as other information from MCC, MCM, CMU, AMBS, Camps with Meaning and other organizations.

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