

Grace Mennonite Church
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10:00 am – Worship Service

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Order of Worship

Mountain of God VT 11

Welcome and Life of the Congregation

Call to Worship

God of the Bible VT 420 (verses 1, 2, 5)

Contemplative & Congregational Prayer

Time with the Children

Coins Count

(Children ages 3 to Grade 8 may leave for Children's Church.)

Will You Come and Follow Me VT 540 (verses 1, 2, 4, 5)

[Acts 9:1-19](#)

The Same...Yet Different

Here I Am, Lord VT 545

Benediction

*All are welcome to join us for coffee in the foyer
following the worship service.*

Worship Speaker

Worship Leader

Musicians

Accompanists

Technicians

Ushers

Coffee Servers

Mel Letkeman

John Mahi

Shaun & Donna Neufeldt, Jodi Unger

Kim & Rob Sidorchuk

Lloyd Funk, Tim Schmitt

Doug Kathler

Al & Judy Neufeld

Sunday, May 1

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 #2: Today from 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 workshop on April 24th focused on active listening tools such as paraphrasing, asking open questions, and exploring underlying motivations. The workshop today will identify ways that stress manifests in our bodies during these conversations, and tools that help us manage our triggers.



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.**



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 8

with Mel Letkeman

Scripture: [Acts 16:16-34](#)

What kind of stories do you think that family told about the happenings of that day?

We Pray Together

Pray for Lorna Penner as she recovers from surgery at home.

Pray for Kyle and the Middle School Youth as they return from the retreat they were on this weekend.

We pray for those in Care Homes: **Marie Dyck, Abe Friesen, Shirley Joy, Linda Martens, Martha Plett, Christina Putz, Irene Rempel.**

Prayer for the week: Lord, continue to show us your hopes for the world and teach us how Jesus fulfills those hopes.

Prayer for the community: Pray for our community as we consider bringing Ukrainian refugees to Steinbach.

Prayer for our world: Pray for peace in Ukraine. Pray for the people of Ukraine as they live through the ongoing violence.

Our condolences go out to **Tom Wiebe and Loretta Friesen** and their family on the passing of Tom's sister **Jessica Dyck** on April 21. The funeral service was held on April 27 in Winnipeg. Pray for the family as they begin life without her presence among them.

Congratulations to **Heidi Martens and Joel Coursey** on the birth of their daughter, **Anna Rey** born on April 23rd. She was born pre-maturely and a little time was spent in the neonatal unit in Winnipeg. She is now home and they're all doing well.

This Week at Grace ❖ May 2 - 6

Monday	Soup's On - Lunch Program, 9:00 am
Tuesday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm Sanctuary reserved, 7-8:30 pm
Wednesday	Foyer reserved, 9 am – 12 noon Little Bit's of Grace, 10 am – 12 pm, see announcement Middle School Youth, 7 – 8:30 pm, a bonfire at church
Thursday	Stories with Seniors, 10:00 am – ZOOM https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8984736540 Private Event, 5-10 pm, sanctuary & foyer High School Youth, 7:30 – 9 pm, meet at Kyle's house
Friday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm

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

Thank You

The Community Life Committee and Southeast Helping Hands would like to thank-you for your generous donations towards the rice drive. The rice and money donated resulted in close to 3,000 lbs. of rice. This will supply the food hampers for an entire year.

Thank-you on behalf of the Community Life Committee - Cindi Blatz, Enid Letkeman, Erin Unger and Barb Guenther and SEHH - Ken Dyck

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 30th to August 10th for a 6 week visit this summer. They'll be here at Grace on July 10th 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

Saturday, May 7th - Community Pick Up and Walk

Please add your name to the signup 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.

Paungassi Family Camp

After a 2 year break, we're planning on heading back to Paungassi 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!

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