

Grace
Mennonite
Church
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10:00 am – Worship Service

Pastors Mel Letkeman & Kyle Penner

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Benediction

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

Worship Speaker	Kyle Penner
Worship Leader	John Mahi
Musicians	Ron Dick, Shara Dueck, David Graham, Kristy Rempel
Accompanist	Laurie Wiens
Children's Time	Kyle Penner
Technicians	Matt Boese, Joe Dueck
Ushers	Doug Kathler, Sarah Neufeld
Coffee Servers	Marlene Hoepfner, Theresa Sawatzky

Sunday, June 26

10:00 am - Worship Service - All are welcome. The balcony is available for those of us who would like to sit physically distanced. Masks are required in this space.

Livestream will be available between 10 – 11 am.

Audio recording can be accessed on church website.

Children's Church

Quiet activities are available for your child on a table at the back of the sanctuary. Please take home any completed colouring pages or activity sheets and return all other activities/supplies to the table so that everyone can enjoy. Children's Church will resume in September with specific dates and information as we approach fall.

We Pray Together

Prayer for our congregation:

- We pray for our summer camp workers, Aria Klassen, Ava Campbell-Enns*, Lia Campbell-Enns*.

In addition to all of our support, Tamara & Mark Rempel, Jim & Bonny Peters, and James & Sarah Barkman have specifically committed to praying for and supporting these camp staff this summer.

* Ava and Lia grew up at Grace Mennonite many years ago and are currently at Home Street Mennonite. We are grateful to financially support them.

- We pray for all the staff, campers, and community members as they prepare for Pauingassi Family Camp (July 4-9). We pray for safety, unity, and the "rebuilding" of relationships after being gone for so long.

Prayer for the week: Lord, help us to build our faith, and our lives, on the solid ground of Jesus.

Prayer for our world: We pray for an end to violence everywhere, including between nations, in schools, and in our homes.

Martha Plett from our church family passed away June 8th. The funeral was held on June 16th.

Irene Rempel passed away June 14th. For many years, Irene ran the church kitchen and served food at countless funerals at Grace. And so, to honour that work, the church will be hosting a small gathering in the foyer on

Wednesday, June 29 at 10:00 am. Please bring some "finger" food to share.

Our condolences to both of these families as they remember their mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

This Week at Grace ❖ June 27 – July 1

Tuesday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm Grace Gardeners meet at 7:00 pm, weather permitting Church Yard Work Bee , 6:30 pm
Wednesday	Remembering Irene Rempel , 10:00 am in the foyer
Friday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm

Volunteers are needed to rake and do yard cleanup at Grace church on Tuesday, June 28 at 6:30 pm. Please contact Barb Dyck if you are able to volunteer.

Church Treasurer

Effectively immediately, Cindy Blatz will be serving as our church treasurer. If you have any questions, please be in touch with the church office.

office@gracesteinbach.ca

Mel Letkeman will be on holidays June 7 – June 27.

Kyle Penner will be on vacation Jul 11-31, and on Sabbatical Aug 1–Oct 31.

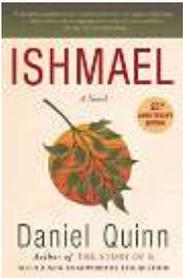
Daniel and Damaris Loewen-Rudgers work with Mission Aviation Fellowship in Kenya. Grace has a long association with them that began when Daniel worshipped with us during his flight training here in Steinbach. They will be in Canada for a six week visit and will be speaking at Grace on July 10th. We would like to invite you to bring your own lunch/drinks for a picnic lunch with them after worship on that Sunday. Also, they are still needing a forward facing car seat (not a booster seat) for one of their children. This is required immediately as they are arriving this week. So if you might be able to help, please let the office know if you have an extra one you could lend them while they are here.

We are looking for individuals who are willing to assist in the dining room at funerals. If you are willing to be on a rotational call list, please contact Jenn Kulpa at jennyjoyr@gmail.com or 204-326-6975.

A copy of the books on the **Grace Summer Reading** list are available to sign out from the church library.

- **Ishmael** by Daniel Quinn
- **Prayer: Our Deepest Longing** by Ronald Rolheiser
- **Saving Us: A Climate Scientist's Case for Hope and Healing In A Divided World** by Katharine Hayhoe
- **Indian Horse** by Richard Wagamese

Summer Reading

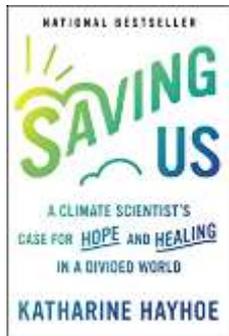
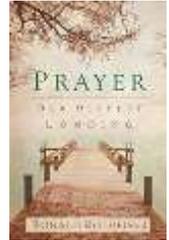


Ishmael by Daniel Quinn

How can we save the world from ourselves? As a renewing summer activity, read Daniel Quinn's classic best-selling novel *Ishmael: An Adventure of the Mind and Spirit*, available at [Ishmael: A Novel: Quinn, Daniel: 8601401253082: Books - Amazon.ca](https://www.amazon.ca/dp/0312269208) Our first Formation session in September will be an open-ended discussion of this utterly unique and compelling masterpiece.

Prayer: Our Deepest Longing by Ronald Rolheiser

With simple, down-to-earth language, Rolheiser illustrates the importance of prayer and offers techniques for how to pray, using examples from daily life, Scripture, and contemporary writers. He delves into the places that we fear to go with our issues about prayer, encouraging us with gentle kindness and words of hope and inspiration.

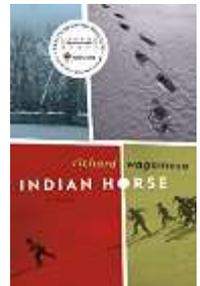


Saving Us: A Climate Scientist's Case for Hope and Healing In A Divided World by Katharine Hayhoe

In *Saving Us*, Hayhoe argues that when it comes to changing hearts and minds, facts are only one part of the equation. We need to find shared values in order to connect our unique identities to collective action. This is not another doomsday narrative about a planet on fire. It is a multilayered look at science, faith, and human psychology, from an icon in her field—recently named chief scientist at The Nature Conservancy.

Indian Horse by Richard Wagamese

With compassion and insight, author Richard Wagamese traces through his fictional characters the decline of a culture and a cultural way. For Saul, taken forcibly from the land and his family when he's sent to residential school, salvation comes for a while through his incredible gifts as a hockey player. But in the harsh realities of 1960s Canada, he battles obdurate racism and the spirit-destroying effects of cultural alienation and displacement.



As part of your summer reading, consider reading *Ishmael* in preparation for the fall Adult Formation book study or read one of the other books which address topics that we will continue to talk about and pursue in the future. If you have questions, see Kyle or Mel.