

Grace Mennonite Church

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10:00 am – Worship Service

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Let's Walk Together VT 6

Welcome

Life of the Congregation

Call to Worship

You Are Salt for the Earth VT 297

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Time with the Children

Heart with Loving Heart United VT 813

Congregational Prayer & Offertory

Lectio Divina – [Matthew 3:13-17](#)

Authenticity, Axe-Throwing, &
Kyle's best take on why the cultural waters we swim in means
faith barely stands a chance.

Will You Come and Follow Me VT 540

Benediction



Worship Speaker	Kyle Penner
Worship Leader	John Mahi
Musicians	Jen Rogalsky, Kayla Hiebert, Rose Dupuis
Accompanists	Darren Reimer, David Graham
Children's Time	Kyle Penner
Technicians	Lloyd Funk, Tim Schmitt
Ushers	Mary Doerksen, Doug Kathler
Coffee Servers	Jason & Irene Plett

Sunday, January 8

10:00 am – Worship Service All are welcome!

Livestream will be available between 10 – 11 am.

Audio recording can be accessed on church website after the service.

9:00 am - Sisters of Grace meet each Sunday before the Worship Service in the downstairs lounge. Whether you're able to come once in a while or regularly, we hope to grow in our relationships with each other and with God.

11:15 am - Adult Formation - After January 8th worship, grab a cup of coffee and come back to the sanctuary to tell Kyle why he's wrong AND a hypocrite (aka: a discussion of the sermon). Sounds like fun for everyone.



Please join us for coffee in the foyer following the worship service.

Sunday, January 15

Children's Church

[Matthew 5:1-20](#)

By Jesus' definition of the blessed, how blest are you?

Adult Formation at 11:15 am - "Can we do something about wealth inequality in our church?" What does it mean for us to share a pew, a hymn book, and a faith, when some of us book vacations a year in advance while others of us worry about buying groceries next month? Come join a panel discussion of Gracers who asked these questions and did their best to come up with a plan. Hosted by Kyle Penner and others.

We Pray Together

We Pray for our International Workers:

Daniel & Damaris Loewen-Rudgers (Kenya)

Prayer for the week: Help us to follow the path of Jesus.

Prayer for the world: We pray for an end to war and all its victims.

Congratulations to Alyssa & Jayce Van Alstyne on the birth of their beautiful baby girl **Abigail Rose Van Alstyne**, born January 2. **Abigail** is a little sister to **Elias** and **Isabelle**. Grandparents are **Ken & Carmel Wiebe** and great grandparents are **Elbert & Lorraine Toews**.

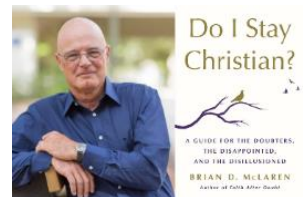
This Week at Grace ❖ January 9 - 13

English Classes (middle level, lower level classrooms) and Childcare (nursery & overflow) are in session various mornings and evenings Monday - Thursday.	
Monday	Soup's On - Lunch Program, 9:00 am
Tuesday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm Church Council , 7:00 pm in the foyer
Wednesday	Middle School Youth , 7:00 – 8:30 pm, meet at church
Thursday	High School Youth , 7:30 – 9:00 pm, meet at church
Friday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm

The donations you made to our School and Family Lunch Programs during Advent resulted in 2,301 individual snack items we can include in our lunches. Plus you contributed 31 jars of jam and peanut butter, 22 tins of ham and tuna, 25 boxes of cereal and multiple items we can include in our supper program. Thanks so much. On behalf of all the students we support & the Soup's On team, **Norma** (Lunch Program Coordinator)

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. **The next dates for Children's Church are:** January 15 & 29, February 12 & 26, March 12 & 26

Adult Formation - 3-Part Book Discussion on Brian McLaren's ***Do I Stay Christian?*** Obtain a copy of the book and read it to prepare for our discussions of it in February.



Young Adult retreat on Jan 14th for young adults aged 18-28. Please RSVP with Kyle.

See the foyer bulletin board for information regarding:

- ♦ Steinbach Community Vespers Choir dates for 2022/2023
- ♦ MCM, MCC, MDS, CMU, AMBS
- ♦ Other organizations

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