



Grace Mennonite Church

March 12, 2023

Shaped by Jesus ... to be thirsty

Welcome

How Great Thou Art VT 436

Call to Worship

In Christ Alone VT 332

[Isaiah 25](#)

Selected verses

All Who Are Thirsty VT 49

Prayer of Confession

All Who Are Thirsty VT 49

Time with the Children & Coins Count

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

Life of the Congregation

Congregational Prayer and Offertory

Faith Stories

Fill Us with Your Feast VT 309

[Matthew 22: 1-14](#)

Lament & Invitation

God Loves All His Many People VT 767

Benediction

Sunday, March 12, 2023

Pastors Mel Letkeman & Kyle Penner
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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.

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.

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
3-Part Book Discussion on Brian McLaren’s *Do I Stay Christian?*
Part II: “Yes” (rescheduled)



Sunday, Mar 12, in the basement, room 26 (previously Women in Mission room) after the service

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

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.

Worship Speaker	Mel Letkeman
Worship Leader	Enid Letkeman
Musicians	Cathy Barkman, James Barkman, Cindy Blatz, Karen Pries
Children’s Time	Mel Letkeman
Scripture Reader	Mel Letkeman
Faith Story	Barb Dyck
Technicians	Bruce Blatz, Tim Schmitt
Ushers	Reid Gerbrandt, Shannon Gerbrandt
Coffee Servers	John Mahi, Kiran Mahi

Sunday, March 19
Fourth Sunday of Lent

[Matthew 25:1-13](#)

Would you consider yourself foolish or wise? Why?

We Pray Together

Pray for our congregation:

Pray for **Virginia Fast**. She is receiving palliative care at home.

Pray for **Roxanne Klassen**. She is receiving palliative care at Bethesda.

We pray for our International Workers: **Daniel & Damaris Loewen-Rudgers**
(Kenya)

Prayer for the week: God, give me a thirst for real life and reveal to me where it's found.

Pray for our world: We pray for those in the middle of the violence in Israel/Palestine.



From the Library: The book *The Quest of the Fair Unknown* by Gerald Morris, property of Kleefeld School was put into the Grace Church book return bin. If this book was dropped off by one of your children it can be found on the back desk by the library computer. Thanks, Vi and Patty

Grace Church Council: We ask that you please consider refraining from wearing strongly scented personal products at Grace. There are some people who suffer with a sensitivity to scented products around them and would appreciate this. Thank you.

Pauingassi Family Camp – Save the date! July 24 – 29. More info coming, but if you're interested or want more info, talk to Kyle.

See the church foyer bulletin board for additional information.

This Week at Grace ❖ March 13 -18

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 Meeting 8:00 pm
Wednesday	
Thursday	High School Youth – Poets, Parables & Prayer 7:30 – 9:00pm
Friday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm
Saturday	Men's Breakfast @ 9:00am

Anabaptist Bible Project: Anabaptism began 500 years ago when bold young Christians challenged authorities with the radical idea that Scripture spoke clearly to ordinary people who studied the Bible together. To celebrate the 500th anniversary of Anabaptism a project is planned to create an Anabaptism Bible. It will be a “people’s Bible” that, if recruiting is successful, will draw on the work of 500 small groups of laypeople who will write marginal notes and commentary. 500 study groups will get a “3-4-5” assignment: read three passages of Scripture (the entire Bible will be divided into 500 sets of three passages and assignments given), meet four times and respond to five discussion questions. Would you like to be part of a study of scripture with others here at Grace as part of this project? Let me know... Mel

Mennonite Church Manitoba (MCM). This past week-end Brenda Penner, Ed Neufeld and Mel participated in the Annual MCM sessions. It was good to be together with folks from our many MCM Congregations. If you'd like to know what all happened, talk with one of us. And, a Formation session will be planned in the future when they'll be sharing with us.

Men's Breakfast group - We are having our next Men's Breakfast meeting on March 18th, 9am in the basement of the church. Cost will be approx. \$5.00 to cover the cost of groceries. There is a sign-up sheet on the coffee bar counter. Any questions, contact Kurt Barz.

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