

Grace Mennonite Church

March 26, 2023

Shaped by Jesus ... in our thinking and doing

Welcome

Mountain of God VT 11

Call to Worship

I Sing the Mighty Power of God ∨⊤ 182

Psalm 98

Selected verses

Jesus, Be the Center VT 584

Prayer of Confession

Jesus, Be the Center VT 584

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

Grounded where?

Will You Come and Follow Me VT 540

Benediction

Sunday, March 26, 2023

Pastors Mel Letkeman & Kyle Penner www.gracesteinbach.ca 204 326 3707 Vol 62. No. 13

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. Middle School kids can walk to James Barkman's (199 Kroeker) for breakfast, they'll be back at church around 11:30am.

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.



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.

Retreat at Grace April 28, 29. All who identify as female, non binary, transgender, or gender diverse are invited. Suggested price \$30; pay what you can. Registration deadline April 16. To register, contact Tamara Rempel, p_tamara@hotmail.com/204-371-9872 or Jenn Kulpa, jennyjoyr@gmail.com/204-326-6975.

Worship Speaker	Mel Letkeman
Worship Leader	Brenda Penner
Musicians	Cathy Barkman, James Barkman, Pearl Barz, Annalee Schellenberg
Children's Time	Mel Letkeman
Faith Story	Bethany Visser
Scripture Reading	Avery Rempel
Technicians	Lloyd Funk, Tim Schmitt
Ushers	Doug Kathler, Sarah Neufeld
Coffee Servers	Bruce Blatz, Cindy Blatz

Sunday, April 2, 2023 Palm Sunday

Matthew 21:1-17

What does Jesus being King mean to you?

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, Soup's On, Southeast Helping Hands, Today House, Steinbach Community Outreach, and Steinbach Family Resource Centre.

Our condolences to **Ken Klassen**, **David and Stefan Klassen** on the passing of their wife and mother, **Roxanne Klassen** on Friday March 17, 2023. Roxanne was also a sister-in-law to **Glen and Betty Klassen**, and an aunt to **Neil and Jennifer Klassen**, **Darren and Andrea Reimer** as well as **Kim and Rob Sidorchuk**. The memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 15, 2023. Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with them.

Prayer for the week: Lord, ground my thinking and doing in Jesus.

Pray for our world: Pray for those living with the upheaval created by the war in Ukraine.



Prayer by Macrina Wiederkehr from the book Seven Sacred Pauses (as shared by Mark Rempel last Sunday)

Anointed by your morning light, I lift up my spirit to receive the gift of this new day. Open my eyes to the beauty that surrounds me that I may walk through this day with the kind of awareness that calls forth grateful living. In all of creation let me see the brightness of your face. Shine in my heart and on my life, filling me with joy, creativity, hope and laughter. Draw me into the radiant glory of your presence and into the small lights of those with whom I live and work. Inspire me to take time for those who are discouraged. May I live with the kind of presence that enables others to feel at home. Great Dawn of God, hear my prayer. -

♦ March 27 – 31 This Week at Grace

English Classes (middle level, lower level classrooms) and Childcare (nursery		
& overflow) are in session various mornings and evenings Monday - Thursday.		
Monday	Soup's On – No Lunch Program (Spring Break)	
	Memorial Service for Virginia Fast @ 2:00 pm	
Tuesday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm	
	Private Event, sanctuary 6:30-9:30pm	
Wednesday	Middle School Youth: Cancelled (Spring Break)	
Thursday	High School Youth: Cancelled (Spring Break)	
Friday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm	

A note from the office: We share the nursery space with Red River's Literacy Training Program. They've kindly let us know that over the past few Sundays that some of their posters have been taken down, and that some of their craft supplies have been used. Parents and caregivers, if you could talk to your children about this, and supervise the littler ones, that would be much appreciated. Thanks!

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

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 fover bulletin board for additional information.

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Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday ❖ 9:00 am - 1:00 pm



Palm Sunday April 2 @ 10:00 am

Join us for a service of preparation for Holy Week.

Maundy Thursday Worship and Communion Thursday April 6 @ 7:30 pm

Join us for communion and the telling of The Holy Week Story as told in the Gospel of Matthew

Good Friday Service April 7 @ 8:00 pm

Steinbach Mennonite Church
All are welcome to SMC for Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Service.

Communion will be served.

Easter Sunrise Service April 9 @ 7:00 am

Eastman Choral Association with conductor Millie Hildebrand accompanied by Annalee Schellenberg

Easter Morning Service April 9 @ 10:00 am

Our Easter Sunday morning worship service. We look forward to paska and coffee following the service.

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April 28, 29, 2023

Speaker: Kathy Giesbrecht

Friday - 6:30PM start Saturday - 9:30AM - 4:30PM (8:30AM optional yoga)

Lunch will be provided

What to bring:

- Appetizer/dessert for Friday evening
- Your favourite muq; be ready to share its story
 - Board game for Friday night

Cost: suggested price \$30, pay what you can

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