



Grace Mennonite Church

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Sunday August 20, 2023

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.

Worship Leader	John Mahi
Worship Speaker	Ed Neufeld
Musicians	Cindy Blatz, Loretta Friesen David Graham, Karen Pries
Technicians	Joe Dueck, Tim Schmitt
Ushers	Audrey Brandt, Bernie Brandt
Coffee Servers	Werner Pries, Mark Reimer
Children's Feature	Kyle Penner, Paxton Wiebe

During our services this summer, your children are welcome to visit the children's activities table at the back of the sanctuary to gather some quiet entertainment.

The library also has a wonderful selection of children's books to help both educate and entertain your wee ones.



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



Gift Card Exchange - Grace Mennonite has set up a gift card exchange.

If you would like to **donate** gift cards please drop them off at the church office. Gift cards in denominations of \$100 or less from Walmart, Superstore, Shoppers Drug Mart, Giant Tiger, & Sobeys will be accepted.

No tax receipts will be given.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office.



Fall Fellowship Fun! At Fall Fellowship last year, we enjoyed a morning of music, food and fun. We're looking forward to doing the same again this year on **Sept 10th**. So, if you would like to add a musical number or two (depending on how many are wanting to do so) please let Cindy Blatz know.

The deadline for being in touch is today!

We're looking forward to a good morning together, hope you'll be part of it.

We Pray Together

We pray for those dealing with ongoing medical concerns – **Regon Barkman, Gord Bartel, Vi Brown, Raelyn Dick, Laurie Kroeker, Matt Rogalsky and Mary Doerksen.** Mary suffered from a heart attack last week and is currently recovering in the Bethesda Hospital.

Prayer for the week: Help us to be peacemakers everywhere we are.

Prayer for our world: We pray for all the people whose lives are negatively affected by forest fires.

Congratulations to Rebeka Schroeder & Arthur Lecias on their wedding yesterday, August 19, 2023!

This Week at Grace ❖ Aug 21-25

Tuesday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm Soup's On Gardening – 7:00 pm – weather permitting
Thursday	Private Event: the foyer is reserved from 2:00 – 4:00 pm
Friday	Private Event: Sanctuary has been reserved from 9:00 am – 12:00pm Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5:00 – 6:15 pm

The **Refugee Committee** is looking for a bicycle for a young man. Please call or text Ed Neufeld @ (204) 392-9650.



For those wondering about **tithing**, we have several donation options:

- mailing your cheque to the church
- through automatic withdrawal
- e-transfer at donate@gracesteinbach.ca
- dropping your donation off at the church during regular office hours (Tuesday – Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm)

If you have any questions, please email the church office.



Did you lose a set of keys? It might be the set we found.
Call or email the office and perhaps we can reunite you and those keys.

For the ***Blessing of the Backpacks*** this year, we're also going to be supporting MCC's [The School Kit Challenge](#) to help 10,000 students around the world go to school.

Please bring any of the following new items to Fall Fellowship:

- 4 spiral or perforated-pages notebooks (8.5 in x 10.5 in and 70 sheets)
- 8 pack of new, unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings optional)
- 12 pack of colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large eraser
- 4 new black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 small **all metal** pencil sharpener, one or two holes.



Notes from the office:

We are grateful to share the nursery space with Red River's Literacy Training Program. The overflow/Green Room, however, is not a shared space. Parents and caregivers, if you could talk to your children about this, and supervise the littler ones when cleaning up, that would be much appreciated. Thank you so much!

We ask that you please consider refraining from wearing strongly scented personal products while attending at Grace. There are some people who suffer with a sensitivity to these products and would appreciate this. Thank you!

Kyle Penner will be at Camp Koinonia from August 20 – 25. He will be serving as the Bible teacher for their youth camp.

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