



# Grace Mennonite Church

September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Welcome, Life of the Congregation & Land Acknowledgement

*As We Gather*

Call to Worship

*God of the Bible* VT 420

*Mountain of God* VT 11

[Mark 4:9](#)

Caring (Enid, Arianna, Olivia, Simon)

***Children's Feature***

(Children ages 3 through grade 6 may leave for Children's Church)

[Ezekiel 40:4](#)

Community (Curtis, Zach)

*I Will Stand In the Congregation*

[1 Peter 4:11](#)

Christ's Church (Rod, Brenda, Kyle)

Congregational Prayer & Offertory

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing* VT 812

Benediction

11:15 am – Formation: Bring your questions, share the excitement that is our partnership with Pauingassi First Nation.

**9:00 am - Sisters of Grace** – All women are invited to a time of reading, sharing and prayer together.

**10:00 am – Worship Service All are welcome!**

Livestream will be available between 10 – 11 am.

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

**Children’s Church for ages 3 to Grade 6** will be held during the service.

You may pick up your children following the worship service from the upper level classrooms.

Worship Leader	Judy Hiebert
Worship Speaker	Kyle Penner
Technicians	Lloyd Funk, Tim Schmitt
Ushers	Audrey Brandt, Bernie Brandt
Coffee Servers	Joy Neufeld, Peter Neufeld
Musicians	Emmy Friesen, Barb Lane, Harv Lane, Julia Lane, Karla Lane, Wes Reimer, Gerry Sapinsky

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

## 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.**

**Prayer for the week:** We pray for the church in Pauingassi, that they may continue to be a blessing to their community.

**Prayer for our world:** We continue to pray for good relationships between settler and indigenous communities, both in Canada and around the world.

We will be gathering for prayer 4 Tuesdays during the month of October. Join us at church for the first one on October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30 – 7:00 pm.

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**SAVE THE DATE: November 9<sup>th</sup>** – Grace Fundraising Auction

We are excited to announce that after a multi-year hiatus, the “annual” Grace Auction is back!

## This Week at Grace ❖ Sept 25 - 30

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Soup's On</b> - Lunch Program @ 9 am
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Soup's On</b> - Dine in lower auditorium, 5–6:15 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Middle School Youth</b> – Food Drive Paper Delivery 7-8:30 pm Dress for the weather please!
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Private Event</b> - 9-11:00 am – foyer is reserved. <b>Stories with Seniors</b> – 2:30 pm in the foyer. <b>High School Youth</b> – 7:30-9 pm – Meet a church for a bonfire! Dress for the weather please!
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Soup's On</b> - Dine in lower auditorium, 5–6:15 pm
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Ladies Breakfast</b> - 9 am – Join us for laughter and sharing. <b>Young Adults</b> - Young Adults meet in the foyer from 7-9 pm.

We're still looking for board/card games for our middle school kids. If you have one that you'd be willing to share with some great kids, please contact Kyle.

**Men's Breakfast** group had its largest turn-out in 4 events, 34 in attendance! Thanks to everyone who attended. We collected an extra \$160.00 above the food costs. The kitchen crew chose "Safe Families, Steinbach Chapter" to donate this extra money to. This was also our largest donation so far. Thanks again to everyone that came out, and especially the team that helped with the breakfast. The next Men's Breakfast will be held on Sat Nov 11<sup>th</sup>. Watch for details in the bulletin.

*Kurt Barz*

## Baptism & Membership Transfer

Might you be interested in baptism, or knowing more about it?  
Perhaps becoming a member at Grace?

If so, let me know. I'd be glad to talk with you about it ... *Mel*

**Ladies Breakfast** is happening once again.

Please join us on September 30, 2023 @ 9 am.

The cost will be \$5. All women are welcome!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Kiran Mahi.



We will be at **Woodhaven** from 9:30-10:00 on October 1<sup>st</sup> to bring the worship service there.

If you are willing and able to come and sing as part of that morning, your presence shall be warmly welcomed.

**Sunday, October 1**  
**World Communion Sunday**

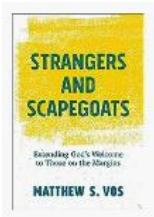
[Exodus 17:1-7](#)

[1 Corinthians 10:1-5](#)

We'll be joined this morning by Doug Klassen,  
Executive Director of Mennonite Church Canada.

**On October 8<sup>th</sup>** we would like to create a display at the front of the church, so bring any produce, preserving, canning etc that has come from your gardens this summer.

After worship, those who brought something may take something.



**Adult Formation Book Discussion**

[Strangers and Scapegoats: Extending God's Welcome to Those on the Margins : Vos, Matthew: Amazon.ca: Books](#)



The first of five discussions will be held Oct. 22.

**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.

If you would like to **receive** gift cards, please talk to one of the pastors.

We will assess this program during formation on Nov. 12, 2023.

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