

Grace Mennonite Church October 29, 2023

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Come, Christians, Join to Sing VT #28

Call to Worship

The Lord's My Shepherd VT #660

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Remembering

Nothing Is Lost on the Breath of God VT #653 vs 1,2

Lighting of Candles (Children ages 3 through grade 8 may leave for Children's Church)

Nothing Is Lost on the Breath of God VT #653 vs 3

Hebrews 11-12:2 (selected verses)

By Faith

For All the Saints VT #672 vs 1,2,3 & 6

Congregational Prayer & Offertory

The Hand of God Shall Hold You VT #671

Benediction

Sunday, October 29, 2023

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

10:00 am – Eternity Sunday is a time for remembering those who have passed away in our congregation, families and community this past year. This is a service where we are given an opportunity to light a candle of remembrance. Today we will remember:

Virginia Fast Shirley Joy Roxanne Klassen Florence Pankratz Earl Toews

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 8 will be held during the service. You may pick up your children following the worship service, from the upper level classrooms.



All are welcome to join us for coffee.

11:00 am - **Rice Drive** – Take advantage of Ken's offer to tour the facilities at SEHH between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm today.

Worship Leader	John Mahi
Ushers	Audrey Brandt, Bernie Brandt
Musicians	Ron Dick, Emmy Friesen, Jen Rogalsky
	Gerry Sapinsky, Annalee Schellenberg
Children's Church	Garth Allan, Audrey Brandt, Ange Neufeld
	Sheldon Peters, Melvin Toews, Tom Wiebe
Technicians	Joe Dueck, Chris Peters
Coffee Servers	Ed Neufeld, Jacqueline Neufeld

We Pray Together

Prayer for our community: Pray for South East Helping Hands, those who go there for food, and the volunteers who make it all work.

Prayer for our world: Pray for those needing the basics of food and water in the Israel/Palestine conflict.

We wholeheartedly thank the many Gracers who have expressed interest in and offered prayers for our newborn identical twin granddaughters in NYC. Eden and Haven are doing well, and will be going home soon. Judy and Dennis Hiebert

This Week at Grace 🔹 Oct 30 – Nov 3

Monday	Soup's On - Lunch Program preparation @ 9 am
Tuesday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5-6:15 pm
Wednesday	Little Bits of Grace – 10: 00 am – noon in the foyer.
	Private event - Sanctuary is reserved from 6 – 10 pm
Thursday	High School Youth - Prophets & Prayers 7:30-9 pm at church
Friday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5-6:15 pm

Upcoming Events



We are providing the worship service at Cedarwood on **November 5th**, 9:30-10 am.

If you are available to sing with the group, or can play an instrument, your presence is warmly welcomed.

November 9th – Grace Fundraising Auction

Many of you are familiar with our annual church auction, but for some it may be new. It's a time of fun, fellowship, and laughter for the whole family! We've even got childcare covered. The evening starts with supper at 5:30 pm,

followed by the auction at 6:30 pm.

We have seen some very creative ideas from people over the years. The evening always proves to be a lot of fun and we are hoping for a full house.

Most importantly, whether you are donating an item or not, please save the date and plan to attend.

If you have any items you wish to donate, please contact Bruce Blatz @ <u>bruceblatz@gmail.com</u>

November 11th – Men's Breakfast Group

We are having our next Men's Breakfast meeting on Nov.11th, 9am in the basement of the church. Come and enjoy some good food and fellowship. Harv Lane and his cooking crew is going to surprise us with a great meal. 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.



Reserve Sunday, **November 26th** for a *Retirement and Farewell* celebration for our beloved pastor, Mel Letkeman.



A Pre Advent Invite! Advent is coming. And, along with many other aspects of Advent Worship, we'll be doing some preaching. This year, we'd like to invite you to participate in our sermons by talking together about the passages we'll be using. It will be '**Bible Study With a Purpose**', that being to have your voices as part of our Advent Sermons. We'll be meeting three times, November 7th, 15th and 21st at 7pm to enjoy this time together. If you'd be interested, just let me know... Mel

December 14th – Steve Bell Concert at Grace Mennonite at 7:30 pm.

Tickets are available:

- Online at https://stevebell.com/event/steinbach-mb-solo-concert-2/

- Or by phone 1 (800) 854-3499
- at the Grace Church office. Please make cheque payable to Signpost Music.

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

Are you interested in dedicating your child on November 12, 2023?

If so, let the us know by October 31st. We'll be glad to talk with you about it. \mathcal{Mel}

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, Giant Tiger, & Sobeys will be accepted.

If you would like to **receive** gift cards, please talk to one of the pastors. Participation in the gift card exchange is entirely voluntary. We will assess this program during formation on Nov. 12, 2023.

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