

Grace Mennonite Church

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Order of Worship

Welcome and Life of the Congregation

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song VT #581

Call to Worship

Gravity of Love VT #494

Build My Life VT #92

Offering

Children's Time & Coins Count

(Children ages 3 to grade 8 may leave for Children's Church)

Acts 17:1-9

Ministry Leadership Inquiry Form, The Tortured Poets Department, & Coins Count as an Existential Exercise

Jesus, Be the Centre VT #584

Congregational Prayer

Lord, Listen to Your Children VT #682

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant VT #778

Benediction

Sunday April 21, 2024

9:00 am - Sisters of Grace

All women are invited to a time of reading, sharing, and prayer together. 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.

10:00 am - Worship Service

Children's Church for ages 3 to Grade 8 will be held during the service. You may pick up your children ages 3 to Grade 4 following the worship service from the upper level classrooms.

Livestream will be available between 10 – 11 am.

Audio recording can be accessed on church website 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 at least 1:1 or up to 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.

PLUS: We have already received our first anonymous donor who has offered to match our total donations collected!

Worship Speaker	Kyle Penner
Worship Leader	Marigold Peters
Musicians	Shara Dueck, Rachel Dyck, David Graham
	Adrielle Jodoin, Darren Reimer, Jen Rogalsky
Children's Time	Kyle Penner
Children's	Garth Allan, Audrey Brandt, Ange Neufeld
Church	Jeremy Plett, Mark Rempel, Melvin Toews
Technicians	Matt Boese, Curtis Kulpa
Ushers	Kurt Barz, Shannon Gerbrandt
Coffee Servers	Kurt Barz, Pearl Barz

Sunday, April 28

Acts 11:1-18

Pure and impure, clean and unclean, us and them. Societies are born from these distinctions. We've been taught to think this way from the beginning.

Can we change the rules?

<u>Church Visioning and Discernment Process</u>: As of Friday morning, we're on track to have 144 people participate in focus groups! If you would like to join, the last time slot is Sunday, April 28th at 11:15am. Please click here to sign up by Wednesday April 24th, (https://forms.gle/UZpzTQxm7mgbEEzJ8) or contact the office.

We Pray Together

We pray for those dealing with ongoing medical concerns – Regon Barkman, Gord Bartel, Raelyn Dick, Laurie Kroeker, Sarah Neufeld, Dorothy Reimer, Matt Rogalsky and Laurie Wiens.

Prayer for our Congregation: As we continue our Visioning and Discernment Process, we pray for non-anxious hearts as we listen to each other, and to God, about who God is calling us to be.

Prayer for Our World: We pray for the Mennonite church in Ethiopia, the victims of violence both there and everywhere. Help them to heal, and to return hate with love. As the world celebrated Earth Day on April 20, help us to care for your Earth with wisdom, and to act for the good of present and future generations.

Raelyn Dick and her family just received the exciting news that Raelyn's kidney transplant is scheduled for June 13th!

Thank you all for your continued thoughts and prayers.

This Week at Grace * April 22 - 27

Monday	Soup's On - Lunch Program @ 9 am
Tuesday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5–6:15 pm
Wednesday	Middle School Youth – 7-8:30 pm
	There are no English classes this week, so let's play Gargon!
	High School Youth - Wanna play Gargon with the middle
	school kids? Let's do it. Join us from 7-8:30pm!
Thursday	Stories with Seniors – 2:30 pm in the foyer.
	High School Youth -7:30-9 pm Yard cleanup and bonfire at
	church! Dress for the weather and wear closed toed shoes.
	Private Rental - Sanctuary is reserved from 8-9 pm.
Friday	Soup's On - Dine in lower auditorium, 5–6:15 pm

Upcoming Events

Just a reminder, our next **Men's Breakfast** get-together will be on May 4th, 9am in the basement of the church. This will be our last one till the Fall. Cost will be \$5.00 to cover the cost of groceries. There is a sign-up sheet on the coffee bar counter. Any questions, contact Kurt Barz.

JAMBOREE JAM on MAY 11th, starting at 6:30 pm in the church foyer.

We've got rhythm, we've got the beat, good for the heart and good for the soul And it'll get you off your seat.

... plus food and beverage both hot and cold, maybe vegetarian and a little meat.

Mark your calendar .. don't have a ticket? .. check at the church wicket ... maybe you can still get it.

Dress code ... check the forecast. Talk to Don Hoeppner for more info.

Retreat at Grace May 31, June 1.

All who identify as female, non binary, transgender, or gender diverse are invited. Suggested price \$25; pay what you can.

Registration deadline is May 19. To register, contact

Tamara Rempel, p_tamara@hotmail.com/204-371-9872 or

Jenn Kulpa, jennyjoyr@gmail.com/204-326-6975

Might you be interested in baptism, or knowing more about it?

Might you be interested in being a member at Grace?

If so, we'd be glad to talk with you about it.

Kathy & Kyle

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