

Sunday School Classes

Children's Sunday School: Our Children's Sunday School class meets in the Church Office during the morning worship service, assembling just after the Children's portion of the service. (Covenant Church Office).

Adult Sunday School Class: This held in the church basement and a series devoted to the study of the Letter of James to the churches will be led by Larry Danielson.

All Ages Sunday School Class: This class will be held in the church office and will centre on the video series entitled "When the Game is Over, It All Goes Back in the Box". Myra Danielson will lead the class.

Today

- ❖ **9:45 a.m. – Sunday School:** *Adult Class:* "Walk the Talk" – Studies in the Book of James led by Larry Danielson. *All Ages Class:* "When the Game is Over, It All Goes Back in the Box," – a video series by John Ortberg led by Myra Danielson.
- ❖ **11:00 a.m. – Worship Service:** We continue with our series on Biblical characters with our focus on Nehemiah. Kelvin Dyck is leading the service and Garry Bueckert is giving the message.

Next Sunday

- ❖ **9:45 a.m. – Sunday School – Adult Class:** Singing Workshop; *All Ages Sunday School:* Video Series "When the game is over, it all goes back in the box."
- ❖ **11:00 a.m. – Worship Service:** Next week's service welcomes Marilyn Hauser Hamm who will lead us in learning new songs and hymns.

Covenant Calendar

February 12, 3:30pm: All Ages Youth Group at Donovan and Jenn's home

February 16, 7:00pm: Planning and Steering

February 18: Worship Workshop at Morden Mennonite Church

February 19, 7:00pm: Taizé service at Covenant

February 22: Ash Wednesday

February 24, 25: MC Manitoba Delegate Session

February 26, 7:00pm: 1st Sunday of Lent. Lenten Evening Prayer

March 4, 7:00pm: 2nd Sunday of Lent. Taizé service in the evening.

This Week at Covenant

Baptism/Membership Classes:

Those interested in pursuing baptism and/or membership this spring are invited to contact me (Pastor Kelvin Dyck) at the church office at 325-4374 or by email covenant@mymts.net.

Lenten Services

This year during the Lenten season, there will be Sunday evening services each of the six Sundays of Lent. They will be meditational in nature and invite quiet, reflective prayer. Kevin and Rochelle will continue giving leadership to the Taizé services on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. Kelvin will lead the other Lenten evening services.

Upcoming Events

Peace Talk on February 17, 7:30 pm at Sam's Place (159 Henderson Highway) - MPs Alex Atamanenko and Pat Martin will speak about Bill C - 373 to establish a Federal Department of Peace. Questions such as "Why do we need a Department of Peace?" and "How will it relate to other departments such as Defense and Foreign Affairs?" and "What will such a department consist of?" and more will be addressed. Those interested in sharing a ride, contact Norman at 325-8501.

MCC Winnipeg Spring Banquet, 6:30 pm at Douglas Mennonite Church (1517 Rothesay Ave) - Join MCC for an evening of food and entertainment on Saturday, March 10 at 6:30 pm at Douglas Mennonite Church in Winnipeg. Contact Paul Friesen at (204) 261-6381 or 1-888-622-6337 for complimentary tickets.

MCI Open House on March 8th! Enjoy supper and an information evening accompanied by a tour of the school and an exclusive backstage pass to go behind the scenes of MCI's Musical production, PIRATES OF PENZANCE. Potential students will receive a FREE ticket to watch the opening night performance! Register early to book your supper and musical seats! Call MCI at 327-5891 or email tammyrempel@mciblues.net.

Kids Zone, an exciting Saturday morning children's ministry of WBC is starting again on March 3! If you're in grade 7 or up and would like to volunteer please contact Steve steve@winklerbiblecamp.com, 325-9519 or 362-4970.

The Annual CSSM Ministries Manitoba Support Raising **Concert Featuring the Freedom Singers** coming to the Winkler Mennonite Church 31 Willowdale Crescent, Winkler, Manitoba, Saturday, February 25, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. Free admission! Offering received for CSSM Ministries Manitoba For more info, call (204) 668-CSSM or visit www.cssm.ca

From CMU

Canadian Mennonite University invites high school students to attend **Peace-It-Together (PIT) 2012, March 9-11**. CMU speakers include Irma Fast Dueck, associate professor of practical theology, and lecturers Kenton Lobe and Justin Neufeld.

From Mennonite Church Canada

Our sincere thanks for your financial support in 2011! You have made it possible for Mennonite Church Canada's Resource Centre to strengthen church health by circulating hundreds of loaned items across Canada to congregations for free, increase holdings by over 750 titles, and be sending 30 displays to congregational and Area Church events. Online resources alone were viewed a record 110,000 times!

Invitation to Prayer

Pray for John Kuhl as he mourns the passing of his brother Henry. Pray for the family as they rest in the comfort of God and remember together his place in their lives.

Pray for the youth meeting at Donovan and Jenn's on Sunday evening. Pray that they have a rich and wholesome time of being together and that friendship

Pray for David and Ruth in Tlamacazapa and David and Damaris in Nuevo Casas Grandes as they continue to serve others in the name of Christ. Pray that those who have received stoves in Tlama would find them helpful in their day-to-day living.

Mennonite Church Canada is cooperating with the Burkina Mennonite Church and the Evangelical Community of Congo to develop and implement Entrepreneurship Seminars. These seminars equip youth, women's groups and others with entrepreneurial skills that will create jobs with steady incomes, allowing them to assist their churches financially. Pray that these workshops will build self-sufficiency and growth.

From the Pastor's Desk...

Feb. 12 is National Food Freedom Day. It means that by this date the average Canadian has earned enough money to pay for their yearly food supply. Approximately 12 per cent of our yearly budgets go toward food. Farmers and supply chain dynamics keep food readily available and at a low cost for the vast majority of Canadians...Just a couple of generations ago, Canadians spent around 40 per cent of their budgets on food.

Mike Schneider, *The Delta Optimist*

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Covenant Mennonite Church

11:00 am. February 12, 2012

Theme: Seeking the Welfare of the People of Israel

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Welcome/ Announcements

Call to Worship: #663 H

Song: #619 H Glorious things of thee are spoken vs. 1
Invocation

Praising and Affirming

Confession: #693 H (silence) #694 H

Scripture Reading: Psalm 126

Song: #13 SJ My soul is filled with joy

Hearing the Word

Introduction to the theme

Scripture: Nehemiah 1:1-2:10

Song: #407 H We are people of God's peace

Children's feature

Scripture: I Peter 1:13-16

Meditation: Garry Bueckert

Responding

Offering/Offertory

Prayers of the people

Sending

Song: #430H God be with you vs. 1,2

Closing prayer

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Worship Service Participants
Worship Leader – Kelvin Dyck **Speaker** – Garry Bueckert
Music – Candace Stobbe **Children's Feature** – Rochelle Drudge
Visuals – Pearl Braun-Dyck and Kayla Drudge
Greeter/Usher – Verna Dennis