

# November 19 2017

Love in Action

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**Greeters/Ushers**– Doug and Pearl Braun-Dyck  
**Worship Leader** – Elaine Dyck **Meditation** – Kelvin Dyck  
**Visuals** – Rita Wiebe, Linda Bueckert **Music** – Rochelle Drudge  
**Monthly Cleaning** (November) – Larry and Myra Danielson

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## This Sunday

- ❖ **9:45 a.m.: Covenant Middle Years Children's Connection:** Classes continue.
- ❖ **The Pre-school Class and Primary Classes:** Class is held during the service.
- ❖ **9:45a.m.: Covenant Youth Connection:** Class as usual.
- ❖ **9:45 a.m.: Covenant Adult Connection:** *Don Bergen* leading the class.
- ❖ **11:00 a.m.:** Sunday Worship: Speaker: Kelvin Dyck

## The Covenant Calendar

**November 26:** Missions' Sunday

**December 3, 7pm:** Taize service @ Covenant 7:00pm.. First Sunday of Advent.

**December 10:** Second Sunday of Advent

## Here at Covenant

A Taize service is being planned in partnership with the Morden Mennonite Church for December 3, the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent. The service will begin at 7:pm and will take place here at Covenant. Invite your friends and neighbours to join in a special time of prayer, singing, Scripture, silence and candle-light.

The Christmas Giving Projects will begin with a Cookie Bake Sale put on by our Middle Years Connection Class. Look for more details at the Missions Bulletin Board in the foyer at the church entrance.

## In our Community

We welcome you to join us at our Douglas Kuhl School of Music's fall (okay, winter) strings/choir concert on Dec. 2, 7:00, at Emmanuel Mennonite Church, Winkler. See the bulletin at the back of the church for more details.

Boundary Trails Health Centre Palliative Care Team is looking for volunteers to be involved in various programs. (Friendly Visitors, Comfort cart, fundraising etc.) Volunteers come from all walks of life and make a difference in our communities. BTHC Volunteer Education Training Sessions will begin in January 22, 2018. Deadline for registration is Dec.1/17. If you are interested please call: Jerri-Ann Froese @ (204)331-8815 OR Eunice Suderman & Maria Nickel @ 331-8909.

**Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity with meaning? Do you have a passion for people and Fair Trade? Ten Thousand Villages work helps create life changing opportunities daily for individuals, families, and communities around the world. Please consider volunteering this November and December at the Ten Thousand Villages Seasonal store in Winkler. We love volunteers. Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Annelore White at (204) 325-5558 or email her at [arwhite@mymts.net](mailto:arwhite@mymts.net).**

**Gateway Resources Christmas Concert.** Thursday, November 23 at 7 pm  
In the Winkler Bergthaler Church, 252-6<sup>th</sup> St. Winkler.

On **November 20, 2017, 9:30-11:00am**, there will be a special event **at the Oasis Restaurant in Winkler. Canadian Foodgrains Bank** has many supporters in the area. We would like to say thank you in person to the many wonderful people who support us now, and also would love to meet people who may wish to support us if they learn a bit more about us. The event on November 20 is an **informal opportunity to meet me and others from Canadian Foodgrains Bank**. Our Executive Director, Jim Cornelius will be there, as well as Putso, a person from Africa working for CFGB projects there, and Gordon Janzen who will soon take over my position as Manitoba Representative. We welcome people to drop by for coffee and a piece of pie and chat a bit.

Harold Penner, Manitoba Representative

## MC Manitoba

**Camps with Meaning Video:** MCM produces a retrospective video for the banquets every year. It's probably too long for congregational use, but makes for entertaining and edifying viewing in other settings. A quick way to find it is [here on our Vimeo page](#). It's also on the [video page of the Camps with Meaning site](#).

## MCC Manitoba

**Relief for Rohingya refugees** - Respond to the Rohingya refugee crisis by November 28 and the government will contribute a dollar to its Myanmar Crisis Relief Fund for every dollar you donate to MCC. Give today to have your donation matched! Call us at 1(888)622-6337 or visit [mccmb.ca](http://mccmb.ca)

## CMU

**Mark your Calendars - CommonWord Bookstore and Resource Centre Christmas Open House!** A one-day sale will be held on **Nov. 25** from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM, featuring in-store specials on books and foods, fair-trade gift items from Ten Thousand Villages, raffle draw, and food samples. Location: 2299 Grant Ave., Winnipeg.

**Join us for Christmas at CMU** on Nov. 25 - Create your own concert with family, friends, and neighbours while enjoying music by a wide variety of CMU

cookies, and hot apple cider. Attend the 2:00 PM or 7:00 PM event at 500 Shaftesbury Blvd. Free admission and free parking. For more information go to [cmu.ca/christmas](http://cmu.ca/christmas).

CommonWord Bookstore and Resource Centre presents an evening with Marcus Peter Rempel, farmer, author and speaker, Thursday Dec 7, 7:00 PM at CMU's Marpeck Commons. Marcus will be launching his new book *Life at the End of Us vs Them*. Evening will also include music by Cara Luft, door prizes, and a special discount on the book. For more information go to [www.commonword.ca/go/1410](http://www.commonword.ca/go/1410).

### **Mennonite Heritage Gallery**

Exhibition openings: Carolyn Mount and Tracy Fehr, Fri. Nov. 24, 7:30, MHC Gallery, 600 Shaftesbury Blvd., CMU south campus. Nov. 24 – Jan. 20.

*Along the Road to Freedom: Mennonite women of courage and faith* BOOK now available. [www.commonword.ca](http://www.commonword.ca) or Connie Wiebe 204 487 3300, ext 344 or [cwiebe@cmu.ca](mailto:cwiebe@cmu.ca)

### **Invitation to Prayer**

**Pray** for our friends in care: Bill and Marlene at Salem.

**Pray** for John and Rita as they work on John's recovery.

**Pray** for those in our congregation carrying a heavy burden of responsibility in caring for loved ones. Pray for strength and hope in the middle of pain and sorrow.

**Pray** for our friend, David, as he recovers from knee replacement surgery. Pray for healing, patience, and full range of motion.

**Pray** for Russ and Christina as they begin a new chapter of life with the full adoption of their daughter. Pray for strength, wisdom, and blessing in the years ahead.

**Pray** for the many in our broken world who are suffering from famine, war, and earthquakes and other disasters. Pray for relief agencies like MCC and MDS which offer aid and support to people around the world.

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**Prayer:** Lord, we boldly and unabashedly declare our love for you and our faith in your precepts. You are the Lord of life, the light in the darkness, the the salvation for the world, the God who was and is and is to come. We pray to make this day one of celebration simply because you are God. Amen.

### **Common Prayer: A Liturgy for Ordinary Radicals**

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# Covenant Mennonite Church



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## Worship Service

### Welcome

### Call to Worship

In the name of God,  
who created us,  
who holds us and the whole world in his hands  
In the name of the Son  
who came into the world,  
who reconciles us with God.  
In the name of the Holy Spirit  
who fills us with eternal life,  
who links us with all Christians  
and incites us to peace,  
we come together to offer our thanks and praise.

**Gathering songs:** Come thou Almighty King H41  
Jesus stand among us H25

### Prayer of Confession:

Most merciful God,  
We confess that we have sinned against you  
In thought, word and deed,  
By what we have done  
And by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
Have mercy on us and forgive us,  
That we may delight in your will,  
And walk in your ways,  
To the glory of your name. Amen.

**Scripture: Psalm 4**

### Children's feature

**Offertory Song:** Peace before us SS16

**Scripture:** Ephesians 2:11-22

### Message

### What now?

### Sharing and Prayer

**Sending Song:** Go, my friends, in grace SS57

### Benediction