

March 25 2018

Palm Sunday
Worship Service

Scripture passages: Is. 50:4-9a; Ps. 31:9-16; Phil.2:5-11; Mark 14:1-15

Thoughts to ponder:

The events of Holy Week reveal the complexity of human nature of how loyalty and treachery, callousness and tenderness can live side by side in people's hearts. All the characters of Holy Week reside within our hearts and are never more dangerous than when they are not acknowledged.

Palm Sunday - a new attitude to power.

There is a Palm Sunday and a Good Friday in each of us, the desire to praise and the desire to destroy.

Procession

Welcome/Call to worship

Song – HWB #237 – All Glory, Laud and Honor

Prayer

Offertory

Song for confession: SS#58 – O God, how we have wandered

Children's feature - Rox Enns

Song – HWB#252 - O Sacred Head, now wounded

Reflection: 'Man of Sorrows' – Rita Wiebe

What now? Sharing/congregational prayer

Sending song – HWB #433 – Go my Children (ONLY vs. 3 & 4)

Sending prayer

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Greeter/Usher – Marlene Wiebe **Music** – Rochelle Drudge

Worship Leader: Pearl Braun-Dyck **Speaker:** Rita Wiebe

Visuals - Betty Enns, Rita Wiebe

Monthly Cleaning: (March) – Garry and Linda Bueckert

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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:** Classes continue.
- ❖ **9:45a.m.: Covenant Youth Connection:** Classes continue.
- ❖ **9:45 a.m.: Covenant Adult Connection:** Classes continue.
- ❖ **11:00 am: Sunday Worship Service:** Speaker: Rita Wiebe.

The Covenant Calendar

March 25: Palm Sunday: Speaker – Rita Wiebe

March 29: Maundy Thursday @ Morden Mennonite Church

March 30, 10:30am: Good Friday. Leader – Kevin Drudge

April 1: Easter Sunday: Easter breakfast – 9:30am. Speaker – Kelvin Dyck

April 19, 7:00pm: Planning and Steering @ Covenant

In our Community

All are welcome to a screening of **Birth of a Family**, a deeply moving NFB documentary concerning the children of Canada's infamous Sixties Scoop. Betty Anne, Esther, Rosalie and Ben were four of the 20,000 Indigenous children removed from their birth homes and adopted into white families or placed in foster care. These four Dene siblings grew up separately across North America, until in middle age they found each other. **Birth of a Family** tells their story. **Sunday April 8, 7pm at Kenmore Theatre, Morden. (Free)**

"We invite you to our Dessert Fundraiser for Pembina Counselling Centre on April 12th at 7pm featuring Tyler Pelke. As a teenager from Altona, Tyler was left for dead in a burning house, but God had different plans. The event is being hosted at the Winkler Mennonite Church (Hwy 32). Tickets are \$25. For information call the PCC office at 822-6622."

Salem Foundation invites you to enjoy an afternoon of "Faspa, Fellowship and Song" on Sunday, April 15th at the Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church. The Program, featuring the male voice harmony of the **WINKLER COMMUNITY MALE CHOIR** begins at **3:30 pm** in the sanctuary; Faspa will be served from **4:30 to 5:15 pm** in the fellowship hall. Proceeds from the freewill offering are for Salem Home Resident Room Blinds – All Care Areas.

MC Manitoba

Faith and Life Choirs Spring Concert: "Send Forth Thy Spirit" on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at 7 p.m. at Bethel Mennonite Church in Winnipeg and on Sunday, April 29, 2018 at 3 p.m. at Steinbach Mennonite Church in Steinbach, Manitoba.

Mennonite Women Manitoba invite you to Resilience Road: struggles, steps and strategies, a day for women. April 28, 9:30-3:00 at the Charleswood Mennonite Church. Resource person; Dr. Moira Somers Ph.D Clinical Neuropsychologist. To register email or call Kathy Giesbrecht kgiesbrecht@mennochurch.mb.ca 204-896-1616 ext; 268 by April 20th. Registration fee; \$50.00 (includes lunch) More information at www.mennochurch.mb.ca Event page.

Camps with Meaning online registration is open! This is our ministry together as Mennonite Church Manitoba. Please visit www.campswithmeaning.org to register for summer camp. We want all families to afford camp. Note our new Campership Fund, which assists families at a much higher level than before.

MCC

Prospective students and their parents are invited to **CMU Open House** on Mar. 27. Meet faculty, student council, athletics staff, student life staff, and current students. Attend a class or chapel, enjoy free gelato, and learn about the printing press with students from Spy Tower Press. For more information see cmu.ca/campusvisit.

Film Screening: *Seven Points on Earth*. Thursday, March 29, 7 PM. @ 159 Henderson Hwy, Winnipeg. Join us at Sam's Place as MCC Low German Mennonite Services hosts a screening of Royden Loewen and Paul Plett's film *Seven Points on Earth*, a documentary about 7 Mennonite farmers around the world.

CMU

"**Spring at CMU**," an evening of celebration in support of CMU. Featured: CMU PAX Award to Steve Bell; music by Steve Bell and CMU Singers; short reflections from faculty, alumni, and students. Contact Joyce Friesen at jfriesen@cmu.ca to reserve a seat or cmu.ca/springatcmu for more information

Invitation to Prayer

Pray for Bill as he nears the end of his earthly journey and Betty and the rest of Bill's family as they keep vigil.

Pray for Marlene, resident at Salem.

Pray for those with chronic or long-term health issues: Bev, Peter, John, Colin, Susie, and others known to us.

Pray for Derek, Laura and family as they wait on God for the continued recovery of Derek's father, Harv. Pray for the skill of the physicians and for the strength and stamina of the family as they support Harv's wife, Helene, in these difficult times.

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Prayer: Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews, may your reign become real through the works of our hands and your love become alive in our hearts. Amen.

Common Prayer: A Liturgy for Ordinary Radicals

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