

## April 15 2018

The Church is born!  
Worship Service

Focus Statement

Meditative music

Call to Worship

Song S&R 36 Every time I Feel the Spirit - guitar

Song BH 29 Like the Murmur of the Dove's song - piano

Welcome

Song S&R Living Stones - guitar

Offering

Confession - read and reflect on SS 71

Kids story

Scripture

Message - Kevin

"What Comes Next?" Responding and sharing

Song BH 430 God be with You - piano

Sending

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**Greeters/Ushers** – Margaret and Ben Klassen    **Music** – Pearl Braun-Dyck

**Worship Leader:** Dave Stobbe    **Speaker:** Kevin Drudge

**Visuals** - Betty Enns, Rita Wiebe, Pearl Braun-Dyck

**Monthly Cleaning: (April)** – Peter and Amanda Loewen

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### This Sunday

- ❖ **9:45 a.m.: Covenant Middle Years Children's Connection:** Classes resume.
- ❖ **The Pre-school Class and Primary Classes:** Classes resume.
- ❖ **9:45a.m: Covenant Youth Connection:** No Classes.
- ❖ **9:45 a.m.: Covenant Adult Connection:** Continuing a new video series featuring Dr. Tom Wright. Don Bergen leads the class.
- ❖ **11:00 am: Sunday Worship Service:** Speaker: Kevin Drudge

### The Covenant Calendar

**April 22:** *Power and Politics-Acts 3,4* – Kelvin Dyck

**April 26, 7:00pm:** Planning and Steering @ Covenant

**April 29:** *Many Gifts-Acts 6:1-7* – TBA

**May 4-6: Quilt Show:** *Then and Now*. See poster on the Bulletin Board.

**May 6:** *Martyrdom-Acts 6:8 -7:60* – Kelvin Dyck

**May 13:** *To Judea, Samaria, and the Ends of the Earth-Acts 8* – Kelvin Dyck

**May 20:** *Conversion (Paul)-Acts 9:1-30* – TBA

**May 27:** *Gentiles?? In the Church??-Acts 10,11* – Kelvin Dyck

### In our Community

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.

**Gateway Resources Inc.** invites you to a fundraising gala "Faces of Gateway", Dinner and Silent Auction, Thursday, May 3 @ 6:00pm at the Days Inns Conference Centre, 940 Navigator Drive, Winkler. Tickets are \$100 each and available at Gateway Resources, 1582 Pembina Avenue, West 204-325-7304.

### 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](mailto: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](http://www.mennochurch.mb.ca) Event page.

### MCC

#### **Special Event: The Bible, justice, and the Palestine-Israel conflict:**

Wednesday, April 25, 7 pm. 2299 Grant Ave, Winnipeg. Join Canadian Friends of Sabeel and Rev. Dr. Naim Ateek at Marpeck Commons, Canadian Mennonite University for the Manitoba launch of Rev. Ateek's most recent book addressing theology of land in Palestine and Israel from a non-violent and reconciliatory perspective.

#### **Special Event: Stories of relief from Syria: Tuesday, April 24, 7 pm**

*159 Henderson Hwy, Winnipeg.* Join us at Sam's Place to hear Rahaf Abdo share about her work with internally displaced people in Syria. Rahaf is a Syrian woman dedicated to providing relief to her neighbours. She will share about her role with a local MCC partner through whom she has distributed food box and cash supplements to thousands of displaced families in a country at war. For more information visit [mccmb.ca/Stories-from-Syria](http://mccmb.ca/Stories-from-Syria).

MCC Manitoba hosts a **support group for women** who have experienced sexual abuse, 7-9 pm on Tuesdays, May 1 to June 5, 2018. The support group will offer women opportunity to share, find support and healing in a caring faith-based environment. Free of cost with child care provided. For more information and to register by April 17, contact [arp@mccmb.ca](mailto:arp@mccmb.ca) or 204-925-1917.

### MC Canada

**Indigenous–Settler Relations :** Tensions are growing in Burnaby, BC—the untreated territories of the Tsleil-Waututh, Musqueam, Skwxw7mesh, and Kwikwetlem—as host peoples seek to protect the land, waters and the well-being of future generations from the attempted twinning of the Trans Mountain pipeline. The new pipeline would increase the system’s capacity from 300, 000 barrels of oil a day to 890,000. The project does not have the consent of local First Nations, and many (including the auditor general) believe that it would prevent Canada from meeting our Paris climate commitments. Please lift up prayers, asking God to speak peace into this situation. Pray as well that our church might discern how we might respond to this and like situations as we contemplate the significant commitments that we have made over the years to respect Indigenous peoples rights.

### CMU

All are welcome to upcoming **CMU Graduation** events:

- Friday, Apr. 20, 7:30 PM:** Spring Choral Concert with the CMU Singers, Men’s and Women’s Choruses at the Loewen Athletic Centre.
- Saturday Apr. 21, 2:30 PM:** CMU Graduation Service at Portage Avenue Church, 1420 Portage Ave., Winnipeg.

### Invitation to Prayer

**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 also for their caregivers and loved ones.

**Pray** for Harv, father to Derek, Laura and family, as he convalesces in the hospital.

**Pray** for our community. Pray that it would be a place of refuge and hope, of justice and forgiveness, of generosity and welcome to all. Pray that it would be a place where the love of Christ extends to all.

**Pray** for our world in which wars, rumours of wars, famine, disease, persecution, discrimination and racism still exist and flourish. Pray for peace and hope.

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**Prayer:** Lord, we long to be your people in this world where other powers claim our allegiance. You have stamped your image on us. Guide us by your light that we might see clearly who we are and what it means to give ourselves to you. Amen.

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

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Easter**