



www.winkleremmanuel.com

*Striving to be "an inviting, Christ centred community
in which people are being transformed to live like Jesus"*

WELCOME

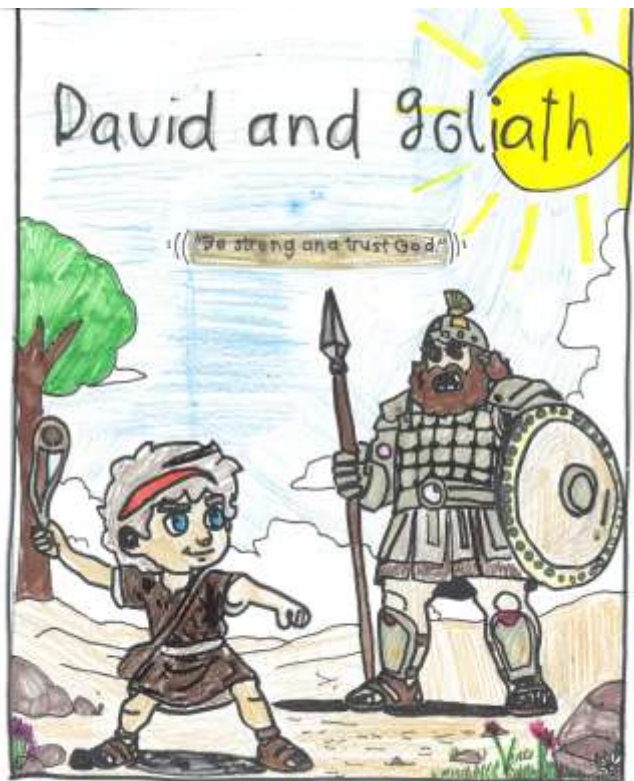
Vol. 41

August 30, 2026

No. 32

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 17

Message: "David & Goliath" - Howard Fawcett



Picture by Madeline Klassen

THIS WEEK

Sun (30)	10:15am	Worship Service
Mon (31)	7:00am	Men's Prayer & Bible Study
Wed (1)	10:00am	Coffee & Conversation
	1:00pm	Formation Committee meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 6
September 13

NO SERVICE AT EMMANUEL
Fall Kick Off

OUR CHURCH

THIS IS US...SEASON 40

In Scripture, forty is never just a number — it's the length of time it takes for something to be formed, not just finished. Forty days of rain before a new world. Forty years in the wilderness before a promised land. Forty days in the desert before Jesus began His ministry. Forty is the shape God gives to seasons of becoming.

This year, Emmanuel marks forty years — not as a finish line, but as a threshold. This Is Us: Season 40 isn't a nostalgia tour through who we've been. It's an honest, hopeful look at who we're becoming, told across a year of stories that all ask us to own it: this is who God has shaped us to be, and we're stepping forward unapologetically as Emmanuel - God with us.

Every series this year is a chapter in that same story -

This Is Us walks through 1 Corinthians where Paul reminds us that our lives are shaped by Jesus, grounded in Scripture, formed through discipleship, and expressed in worship.

The Wonder We Missed in advent asks whether we've gone numb to the story we thought we already knew.

Room at the Table asks who gets welcomed, valued, who gets made room for and how we live together.

Fieldnotes in the Wilderness during lent asks what forty days — and forty years — can form in us when we stop rushing through them.

A Church Every Community Needs asks what all of that formation is actually for — not an institution protecting itself, but a church loose in the neighbourhood.

Bottom Line: *Forty years isn't something just to look back on. It's the shape of something God isn't finished with yet.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FALL KICK OFF—September 13th. You can look forward to bouncy house, games, a taco bar, desserts and drinks! Hope to be outside, weather permitting. Bring lawn chairs.

WE ARE EXCITED TO SHARE THAT EMMANUEL HAS OFFICIALLY SIGNED UP TO PARTNER WITH THE PEMBINA VALLEY CARE COLLAB, a network of local churches working together to support individuals and families in our community through practical acts of care and service.

We are also pleased to announce that **Art and Linda Wiebe** and **Bruce and Phyllis Kroeker** have agreed to serve as Emmanuel's Care Collab Coordinators. We are grateful for their willingness to help lead and coordinate our involvement in this important ministry.

As a church, we look forward to partnering with others in our community for the benefit of our neighbours. We believe this is a meaningful opportunity to live out Christ's call to love and serve those around us in tangible ways.

More information will be coming in the weeks ahead, including specific opportunities for members of Emmanuel to get involved. For now, we simply wanted to share our excitement about this new partnership and invite you to begin praying for how God might use our church to be a blessing in our community through the Care Collab.

WINKLER FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE'S September Program registration begins on Tuesday, September 1st at 9am, and ends Wednesday, September 2nd at 12noon. Check out their website: <https://www.winklerfamilyresourcecentre.com/>

BURSARIES FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION—Are you attending a post-secondary Christian education institution in Fall? Did you know Emmanuel offers a bursary for up to \$750. Check out the application on our website.

CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

MCM:

Fall Cleanup at Camp Assiniboia! Join us on September 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for a camp workday. Bring your friends, family, or church group and help with property cleanup and preventative maintenance projects. Lunch and snacks are included. Sign up today by emailing assiniboia@campswithmeaning.org

First Mennonite Church of Winnipeg is turning 100! From September 2026 to May 2027, we're celebrating with games, food, music, special guests, and more, culminating in a commissioned choral work and Fasma Gala. Whether you're a former member, friend, neighbour, relative, or simply curious, please join us in celebration! All are welcome. Learn more at <https://firstmennonitechurch.ca/100-years-of-fmc/>, or contact office@firstmennonitechurch.ca.

CMU:

Face2Face at CMU: Beyond Boundaries: Science, Space, and the Art of Discovery – CMU invites you to the CMU Chapel (600 Shaftesbury Blvd.) on September 11 at 7:00 PM for an inspiring conversation with Dr. Roberta Bondar, Canada's first female astronaut, acclaimed scientist, neurologist, photographer, and environmental advocate. Discover how curiosity, observation, and creativity shape the way we understand our world and the universe. Exhibition opening reception to follow at the MHC Gallery. Visit cmu.ca/face2face for more information.

Face2Face at CMU: Money and the Cost of Living: Building Financial Confidence Together – You are invited to Marpeck Commons on September 18 at 7:00 PM for an evening of honest conversations about money. Explore open conversations can reduce shame, build confidence, and help people make informed financial decisions. Hosted by CMU Vice-President Academic and Professor of Economics, Dr. Jerry Buckland. Panelists include Jesse Dollimont, Venaika Jean, and Joel Schlesinger. Visit cmu.ca/face2face for more information.

Fall at CMU – CMU's annual alumni and community gathering takes place Saturday, September 19 from 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Highlights include craft and food vendors, food trucks, activities and the Bubbleman for children, artist workshops, live music, reunions, an evening Song Feast and the MennoCross cyclocross race. Visit cmu.ca/fall for more information.

MCC:

You are invited to hear about MCC's work at MCC Manitoba's Annual General Meeting on Thursday, September 24 from 7-8:30pm on Zoom. Please join us for stories about local and international programs, and how MCC's mission has been enacted this past year. Everyone is welcome! Learn more and register at mcc.org/Manitoba/AGM.

We invite you to pray for everyone impacted by the 7.4-magnitude earthquake in Colombia. MCC has responded to emergency humanitarian needs in Colombia for decades and our partner on the ground, Mennonite Brethren Church of Colombia, is preparing to provide emergency support to families who have lost so much. Help them provide this relief by giving today.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE EDEN FOUNDATION'S HEAD FOR THE HILLS CYCLING FUNDRAISER takes place Saturday, September 12, in support of local mental health services. Riders of all ages and abilities are invited to enjoy a beautiful morning of cycling while fundraising to support counselling, housing for those with disabilities, employment services, and other vital programs for people in our community. Learn more or register at edenhealthcare.ca/h4h-2026

750 15th Street, Winkler MB, R6W 1M1 P: 204-325-4710
E: office@winkleremmanuel.com W: www.winkleremmanuel.com
OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 am-12:00 pm, 12:30 pm-4:00 pm
Pastor Corey Hildebrand corey@winkleremmanuel.com
Administrative Assistant: Connie Driedger office@winkleremmanuel.com
Children & Family Ministry Coordinator: Kaitlyn Dyck kaitlyn@winkleremmanuel.com
Treasurer: Chad Harder finance@winkleremmanuel.com
Building Manager: Ron Wiebe
Custodial Staff: Larry Harder