

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

# **WELCOME**

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Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 6: 6-10, 17-19

Sermon: "The Life That Really is Life" - Pastor Lois Bukar

### THIS WEEK

Sun (12) 10:15am Worship, Communion & Emmanuel Kids

Mon (13) 7:00am Men's Prayer & Bible Study

Tues (14) 11am & 7pm Xplore Class

Wed (15) 10:00am Coffee & Conversation
1:00pm Service Leaders meeting

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

November 5 FOR OUR SCHOOLS COFFEE TIME (see announcement)

November 8 Enneagram Workshop (see announcement)

### **OUR CHURCH**

**EMMANUEL KIDS**— Emmanuel's version of Sunday School. Emmanuel uses a strategy for Family Ministry called Orange. Children will be dismissed to their classes in the fellowship hall during the sermon slot. A check-in person will greet you at the entrance.

**CHILD PLAYROOM**— Children are always welcome in our sanctuary during our service but if they require a separate space to play there is a playroom located through the back north door of the sanctuary and to your left.

**ADULT FORMATION**— Join us at 9am on October 19 for a personal story from Pastor Lois.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

On Sunday, October 19th, Emmanuel is launching a 5 week series called FOR our Neighbours. This will be an intentional 5 weeks of looking past ourselves to those who were called to love and serve. To make this tangible and effective, we plan to do something to show our appreciation and support to a local group of people who give back to our community in significant ways. Last year we focused on health care - this year....We're FOR OUR SCHOOLS. On Wednesday, November 5th we will be supplying coffee, muffins and cookies to every school in Winkler and

- you can help!1. Brewing Coffee and Packaging Muffins and Cookies
- 2. Baking cookies and muffins
- 3. Delivering Coffee and Muffins
- 4. Contribute monetarily to help with the purchase of coffee and supplies. A donation box will be placed in the foyer outside the office or etransfer with the memo
- "Schools" finance@winkleremmanuel.com
- 5. Reach Out to a teacher, staff, or school administration let them know you appreciate them and all they do for our community. Pray for our schools and all of those who teach and care for our children and students.

**XPLORE:** Emmanuel's Formation Committee invites you to join a group that will be viewing a zoom class from the CMU's Xplore extended education program. The course is entitled 'The Practice of Tension: An Upside-Down Look at Depolarization presented by Will Braun, editor of Canadian Mennonite magazine. The course will take place at church on Tuesdays, September 22—November 4, 2025 from 11:00am -12:00pm. There will be no cost involved, please contact the church to register for this opportunity. There is also a group that meets Tuesday evenings at 7pm for a recording of the morning session.

WE'RE EXCITED TO INVITE YOU TO A ONE-DAY ENNEAGRAM WORKSHOP happening on Saturday, November 8th, from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. The workshop will be led by Tamara Kroeker (daughter of Paul and Arlene Kroeker), who brings thoughtful guidance and insight into understanding ourselves and others through the Enneagram. Cost: \$50 (includes lunch) Registration: Spots are limited, so sign up soon! This workshop is especially designed for those who are ready to take a deeper step in applying the enneagram to faith, relationships, and everyday life. To register, please contact office@winkleremmanuel.com

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN! Vacation with a Mission 2026 to Casa Esperanza ParaTi is in the planning stages, and we'd like to extend an invitation for you to join us. We will be travelling to Queretaro, Mexico for 11 days, departing on Thursday, February 12, 2025 and returning on Sunday, February 22, 2026. Esperanza Orphanage has been in operation for about 15 years and is home to approximately 30 children. Esperanza, with the help of Children of Hope, is in the middle of a major dormitory building project and they need all the help they can get. Vacation with a Mission (VWAM) has been sending teams to Esperanza since 2015, and we are happy to be going back again. We always enjoy playing with the children as well as visiting with the couples who run the orphanage. If you are interested in joining a team please feel free to contact me and I'll send you a link to complete the online team registration form for VWAM (Vacation with a Mission) 2026. Another way to support our team is to make a charitable donation towards the orphanage construction costs (and please mention VWAM 2026 in the comment line). The total building cost is estimated to be \$400k and we are about half way there. Donate | Children of Hope To learn more about Children of Hope, a Christian based out of Abbotsford, BC, click the following link: About Us | Children of Hope As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions. Thanks, Chris Kalansky

**POTLUCK HOSTS**—We are looking for volunteers willing to host our potlucks on the last Sunday of the month. You only need to sign up for one or two. If you would like more info on what is involved. Please contact the office.

# **CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### MCM:

Come to the Table. Annual Camps with Meaning Celebration Fundraising Banquets. Nov. 1, 5:30pm - The Community Exchange, Altona, MB. Nov. 2, 5:30pm - Bethel Mennonite Church, Winnipeg, MB. Proceeds help get kids to camp. Visit <a href="www.campswithmeaning.org/news">www.campswithmeaning.org/news</a> or call the camp office 204-895-2267 to reserve your free tickets.

#### MCC:

Singin' in the Grain is delighted to invite you to a live choral concert in support of Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB) and MCC. The Prairie Singers (southern Manitoba) and The Accent Singers (Steinbach) will be our featured guest choral groups presenting in Winkler October 25 7:00pm at Emmanuel Mennonite (750 15th St.) and in Steinbach October 26 3:00pm at Steinbach Evangelical Mennonite Church

**How did we get from the Bible to a genocide in Gaza?** Oct. 22, 29 and Nov. 5, join Dr. Dan Epp-Tiessen for this 3-part webinar series as he explores the historical causes and biblical interpretations that have given rise to the current conflict in Gaza. Learn more and register at mcc.org/events/webinar-series-how-did-we-get-bible-genocide-gaza.

#### CMU:

2025 J.J. Thiessen Lecture Series: A Sacred Way of Life: Theology as a Guide to Spirituality — CMU invites you to hear Dr. Kevin Hector from University of Chicago on October 21-22 at 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM on October 21 and at 11:00 AM on October 22 in the CMU Chapel. The lectures will explore spirituality through three forms of sacredness— transcendent value, beauty, and power— and examine how religion can play a crucial role in helping us hold these together. All lectures are free and open to all. More information and recordings at cmu.ca/jjt.

**CMU Discover Day** – Join us for the full day or the afternoon of October 24 to discover what it is like to be a CMU student. Tour the CMU campus, attend a sample lecture, meet professors and current students, and have lunch and treats on us! For more information and to register, visit <a href="mailto:cmu.ca/discover-days">cmu.ca/discover-days</a>.

FRIENDS OF THE MENNONITE CENTRE IN UKRAINE are holding special fundraising concerts featuring the FAITH AND LIFE MALE CHOIR and the HOOSLI UKRAINIAN MALE CHORUS on Saturday, October 18 at 7pm at the First Mennonite Church, 922 Notre Dame Ave., Winnipeg and on Sunday, October 19 at 3pm at Grace Mennonite Church, 430 3rd Street in Steinbach. The concerts will also feature Olga Rubel, the Mennonite Centre Manager from Zaporizhzhia. Come and enjoy great singing by some well known choirs and be informed of what is currently happening in Ukraine. See the poster on the bulletin board in foyer for more information.

## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE SALEM FOUNDATION PRESENTS THEIR SOUP, CHILI & PIE FUNDRAISER**, Sunday, November 9th, 2025. Everyone is invited for a 3:45 pm start, with musical entertainment by the Baker Hutterite Choir, bringing you the gospel music that you know and love. Followed by a delicious meal of soup, chili, and dessert. This is a free will offering fundraising event, where funds raised will go towards replacement of Salem's handi-van. We would love to see you at Salem Foundation's Event, Sunday, November 9th, 3:45 pm at the Winkler Bergthaler Church.

**FAITH MISSION IS HOSTING A PUBLIC PRESENTATION** where Nathan Elias will report on his recent mission trip to the Republic of Georgia. This will take place on Sunday, Oct 19, at 7:00 pm in the Zion Mennonite Church in Schanzenfeld. There will be coffee and potluck snack following the report.

**MEN'S COMMUNITY BREAKFAST**—Every Wednesday 7:00am—7:20am at Triangle Oasis. A short devotion followed by breakfast. All men are welcome!

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