



*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:** Matthew 14: 13-21

**Sermon:** “Feeding of the 5000” - Dale Friesen (Canadian Foodgrains Bank)

### THIS WEEK

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| Sun (26)  | 10:15am    | Worship & Emmanuel Kids    |
| Mon (27)  | 7:00am     | Men’s Prayer & Bible Study |
| Tues (28) | 11am & 7pm | Xplore Class               |
| Wed (29)  | 10:00am    | Coffee & Conversation      |
|           | 7:00pm     | Church Council meeting     |

### UPCOMING EVENTS

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| 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 November 2—Zurich 500

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**EMMANUEL IS CURRENTLY IN A 5 WEEK SERIES CALLED FOR OUR NEIGHBOURS.** This is an intentional 5 weeks of looking past ourselves to those who we’re 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! Thanks to everyone who signed up for a spot, gave monetarily, or prayed and continue to pray for our schools, students and staff!

**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 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](mailto:office@winkleremmanuel.com)

**WINKLER FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE NOVEMBER / DECEMBER PROGRAM REGISTRATION STARTS OCTOBER 27.** Go to the [website to register](#)

**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**

## 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 [www.campswithmeaning.org/news](http://www.campswithmeaning.org/news) or call the camp office 204-895-2267 to reserve your free tickets.

**Want to discuss the proposed new MCM Vision and Mission statement with others across MCM?** Join Executive Minister Michael Pahl for a Zoom conversation about the draft statement being proposed, on Thursday, November 6, at 7:30pm. See the Hope and Courage web page [\[mennochurch.mb.ca/hopeandcourage\]](http://mennochurch.mb.ca/hopeandcourage) for the Zoom link, and links to the summary report and the draft Vision and Mission statement. Please read through these ahead of the meeting!

### MDS:

**There are multiple ways to support Mennonite Disaster Service during the Canada Post strike.** Visit [mds.org/donate-canada/](http://mds.org/donate-canada/) for information about online donations, e-transfers, and other ways to give. Thank you for your ongoing partnership!

**Serve close to home with MDS!** The Manitoba Unit is rebuilding for a family of four, who lost their home to water damage in Libau. Volunteers are needed beginning August 25 through to December. Please contact the MDS Canada office at [mdscanada@mds.org](mailto:mdscanada@mds.org) or 1(866) 261-1274 for more information and to sign up.

### MCC:

**Join us for a dignity kit-packing event at MCC Manitoba** (100-140 Bannatyne Ave., Winnipeg) on Friday, Nov. 14 or 21. MCC's dignity kits provide essential hygiene items like reusable menstrual pads to support women and keep girls in school across the world. Help us reach our goal of packing 400 kits! Spots are limited. Learn more and register yourself by calling Shabnam at 204-261-6381.

**This November, MCC invites you to wear the peace button to remember all people who are affected by the atrocities of war.** Bearing the simple message "to remember is to work for peace", MCC's peace button can be worn in addition to a poppy pin. Pick up your free peace button at MCC Manitoba (100-140 Bannatyne Ave., Winnipeg).

**Celebrate Fair Trade artisans by shopping for ethically made Christmas gifts!** Browse a stunning collection of hand-knotted Bunyaad rugs at Ten Thousand Villages' Winnipeg Global Gift Festival at Bethel Mennonite Church (465 Stafford St., Winnipeg) on Friday, Nov. 14, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 15, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Entrance is free.

**Explore these exciting opportunities to join MCC's team today!** Visit [mcc.org/careers](http://mcc.org/careers) for the full descriptions and to apply online.

Senior Communications Coordinator (14-month term; mat leave) (Oct. 30)

Assistant Manager, Portage MCC Thrift Shop (Nov. 23)

### CMU:

**CMU Discover Day** – Join us for the full day or the afternoon of November 21 to discover what it is like to be a CMU student. Tour the CMU campus, attend sample lectures, meet professors and current students, and have lunch and treats on us! For more information and to register, visit [cmu.ca/discover-days](http://cmu.ca/discover-days).

**CommonWord/CMU Press Book Launch: Wearing a Broken Indigene Heart on the Sleeve of Christian Mission** – Join us on November 5 at 7:00 PM for an evening with author and former Moderator of the United Church of Canada, Carmen Lansdowne. Together, we explore the question, "If Indigenous hearts are broken by Christianity, what is it in Christian theology that is life giving at all?" More information and livestream at [com-monword.ca/go/4284](http://commonword.ca/go/4284).

**CMU Employment Opportunities** – CMU invites inquiries and applications for a Practicum Coordinator and Program Support position as well as a Mini U Coordinator role in the Athletics Department. Visit [cmu.ca/employment](http://cmu.ca/employment) for information on these opportunities.

## 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 Berghaler Church.

**MEN'S COMMUNITY BREAKFAST**—Every Wednesday 7:30am—8:00am at Triangle Oasis. A short devotion followed by breakfast. All men are welcome!

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