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*Sourced in God's love, humankind receives and pursues the communion of reciprocity, the highest and most highly treasured human virtue. As disciples in the school of love, we continually seek to learn and live into love.*

Aug 25, 2019

Bethel  
Mennonite  
Church

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Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship (*insert*)

Hymns            *Over my head (SJ #18)*

*As I went down to the river to pray (SJ #79)*

Prayer of the Church

Offering

Children's Story (*in the Foyer*)

Scripture        Psalm 133; Acts 9:21-25

Sermon           Love Transforming Life

Hymn            *'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus (HWB #340)*

*For we are strangers no more (HWB #322)*

Announcements

Benediction (*insert*)

Sending Hymn        *Peace before us, peace behind us (SS #16)*

*HWB – Hymnal Worship book (blue)            SJ – Sing the Journey (green)*

*SS – Sing the Story (purple)*

*We affirm that the earth is the Lord's and all that is in it. Recognizing that we are all treaty people, with gratitude we acknowledge our gathering on Treaty #1 land and the traditional homeland of the Metis Nation. Imitating the inclusive welcome of Jesus, we seek to be a community marked by the love of God. Regardless of age, race, or sexual orientation, we invite you to make Bethel your spiritual home. Sharing the peace of Christ, together we strive to reveal the realm of God in the world.*

## **Please Note**

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- \* There are activity bags on the wall beside the library for the children to enjoy during worship.
- \* A nursery is available upstairs for parents with small children.
- \* Hearing assists are available by the sound booth at the back of the sanctuary.

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## **Bethel Announcements**

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**Bethel Singers** | First rehearsal for Fall is on Wed., Sept. 4, 7:15 pm.

**Men of Song** | First rehearsal for Fall is on Thurs., Sept. 5, 7:00 pm.

**Adult Education** sessions begin on Sept. 8.

**Bethel Women in Mission** | The first meeting for fall is on Mon., Sept. 9, at 1:30 pm, in the Dining Hall. The guest will speak on the theme, "God crowns you with steadfast love." All women are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.

**Sunday School** classes begin on Sept. 15.

**Library update** | Two books by Asian authors have been added to the library. A Bethel member recommended *The Girl With Seven Names*, by Hyeonseo Lee. It tells the story of a seventeen -year old girl who escapes from North Korea. | A Bethel member donated *Vi*, by Kim Thuy. It tells the story of a family of refugees from Vietnam who make a new home in Canada.

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## **This Week at Bethel**

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### **Sunday (Aug 25)**

Worship service, 10:00 am: Valerie Alipova preaching

### **Tuesday (Aug 27)**

Winnipeg Harvest, 4:30 pm

### **Next Sunday (Sept 1)**

Worship service, 10:00 am: Erwin Warkentin preaching

**Bethel Singers:** Bethel's mixed choir will be starting up again in September and is looking forward to welcoming new singers. *Please consider joining us.* Also, this year we will be preparing a special performance of Haydn's **Mass in Time of War** – a beautiful work that highlights the quest for peace – on Nov. 10. We will need an added compliment of singers for this work. See the rehearsal schedule and plan to join us for this unforgettable event: Sept. 4, 7:15-8:30; Sept. 11, 7:45-8:45; Sept. 18, 7:15-8:45; Sept. 25, 7:15-8:45; Oct. 2, 7:45-8:45; Oct. 16, 7:15-8:45; Oct. 23, 7:15-7:45; Oct. 30, 7:15-9:00; Sun., Nov. 3, 11:15-12:15; Nov. 6, 7:15-9:00.

Call the church office if you have any questions.

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Loving God, each other, and our neighbours.