
Scripture Reading

John 20 and 21

This passage will be used in the sermon, but won't be read separately.

Education

Adult Ed | April 11: Witness Committee presentation, Neill and Edith Von Gunten will speak about the 35 year ministry at Riverton. April 18: Randy Sawatzky will give a presentation on MEDA (Mennonite Economic Development Associates). For more details on these and upcoming sessions, please consult the Adult Ed link on the Bethel website.

Bethel Announcements

In-person worship gatherings | The Bethel Emergency Response Team has decided to continue the suspension of in-person worship gatherings. The rationale for this decision includes 1) the reality that we are still in the code red danger zone as a province, 2) that a goodly portion of the congregation has not yet received the coronavirus vaccine. Both the worship committee and BERT are continually evaluating and assessing our situation. It seems prudent to postpone the shift to at least the code orange category.

Usage of masks in the building | Masks will continue to be mandatory and required of all persons entering the church building. However, beginning on Good Friday and Easter, as comfort levels allow, the preacher (and perhaps the worship leader as well) will remove the mask when preaching/leading from the pulpit. All musicians and song leaders would continue wearing the mask.

Bethel Women in Mission will not be able to meet in April. However, let's join together this month to reflect on the theme "My Cup Overflows with God's Goodness in Times of Pain". Consider keeping a record of your thoughts and prayers and put them in a cup for possible sharing when we can gather again. As you are able, continue to mail or bring your offerings to the church office - clearly designated for Bethel Women in Mission.

Our Maundy Thursday communion service, held on Zoom on April 1, is now available for viewing. Please contact the church office for details.

Library Update | Jenny Hiejun Wills is a professor at the University of Winnipeg. Her book, *Older Sister Not Necessarily Related*, tells the true story of her being adopted as an infant by a family in southern Ontario and her experience as an adult meeting her birth family in Korea for the first time. Other memoirs by Asian authors in our library are: *First They Killed My Father*, by Loung Ung, and *Forgiveness*, by Mark Sakamoto. *Please call the church office to make an appointment to access the library.*

The **2021 Virtual Walk with L'Arche** happens on May 1 and you are asked to consider sponsoring the Winnipeg L'Arche Community. To donate online, go to www.larchewinnipeg.org, click on "Community Life/Walk with L'Arche" & then click the "CanadaHelps.org" link. In the message box, indicate that you are sponsoring a Bethel member. Contact the church office for details.

Partners in Ministry

Mennonite Church Canada

mennonitechurch.ca

MC Canada has issued a statement in response to La Iglesia Menonita de Colombia's (IMCOL) own statement against ongoing violence in its country, and has written a letter to the Colombian government in support of IMCOL and its non-violent witness. [Read the whole story here.](#)

Prayer requests | In the midst of the worst-yet coronavirus outbreak in Palestine, [Bethlehem Bible College](#) (BBC) invites us to pray with them for students, staff, faculty, families and all Palestinians. | Continue to pray for people in Myanmar who experience ongoing violence. Pray also for our nationwide siblings in our community of faith who are unable to reach their family members in Myanmar: Calgary Chin Church, AB; Chin Christian Church, Kitchener ON; Grace Christian Church, Ottawa ON; Kitchener Emmanuel Church, ON; Living Hope Christian Fellowship, Surrey BC.

Mennonite Church Manitoba

mennochurch.mb.ca

MCM invites applications for the position of Director of Church Engagement, 0.5 FTE. Information at: mennochurch.mb.ca/news.

Campers are registering for summer camps; this means we also need staff and volunteers! Kitchen and maintenance help, camp pastors and health officers are needed for one-day pop-up camps in various locations and week-long day camps at both camps: campswithmeaning.org Summer.

University students | *Emmaus House* has openings for summer/fall 2021. It is a place that immediately feels like home and where you'll find good food, friends, and lots of laughter. See: www.emmaushousewinnipeg.ca or call 204-272-9191 and ask for Rod or Susan.

Canadian Mennonite University

cmu.ca

Spring at CMU | April 13, 7:00 pm, at cmu.ca/springatcmu. Hear stories from students, faculty and alumni; CMU Singers' premiere of *Breathe* by Leonard Enns; and more. Be inspired and drawn into the CMU's mission and vision in this 45 minutes, online program.

Athletics and Student Life webinar | Alongside athletics, students get involved in many leadership roles and opportunities with committees, clubs, and projects across campus. Wed., April 14, 4:00 pm. Register at www.cmu.ca/webinar.

Westgate Mennonite Collegiate

westgatemennonite.ca

Virtual Spring Bursary Fundraiser is on May 18. Every year we rely on donations from our generous community to raise funds for the bursaries. We have a number of events planned this year including a virtual program, an online prize raffle, torte raffle, and gourmet pick-up meal. Go to westgatemennonite.ca to learn more about how to make a donation and help support our students and their families!

Mennonite Central Committee

mccmb.ca

Sam's Place is looking for a Volunteer and Youth Engagement Coordinator Assistant, a 23-week term position. Applications are due April 19. Learn more at www.mccmb.ca/Opening.

MCC Golf Yard Sale | May 14 & 15th, at 7 Mercury Bay. Please donate golf clubs or other golf related items, and bring them to the Selkirk Ave MCC Thrift Shop or Sargent MCC Thrift Shop or at 7 Mercury Bay. For details, call Ron or Connie Loepky at 204-261-4949 or 204-296-4949. All proceeds go to support the work of MCC.

MCC Manitoba Event Dates | Please note that event details are subject to change depending on COVID-19 restrictions at the time of the event. Details at: www.mccmb.ca/Events. | [Spring Fest](#) - May 28-29 - Cancelled. Support MCC's relief efforts with our new [Dignity Kit](#). | [GO! 100](#) - July and August. | [Cycle Clear Lake](#) - July 2. [Golf Tournament](#) - Sept 9. | [Brandon MCC Relief Sale](#) - Sept 25.

Other

Lindenwood Estates | Suite available. Church member open house Sun., Apr. 11, 1:00-2:00. Public open house Sun., Apr. 11 & 18, 2:00-4:00. Please contact D'Anne Hansen 204-979-0432.

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