



Bulletin for the Week of March 10 – March 16, 2024

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE:

- **Scripture:** Ephesians 2: 1-10
 - **Sermon:** The Way of Mercy
 - **Worship Leader:** Deborah W
 - **Song Leaders:** Video
 - **Speaker:** George V
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CHURCH FAMILY:

John and Jennifer W are leaving for **Uganda**. They are volunteering on a medical mission and will be in there **until March 24**. Jennifer will be providing medical care, and John will be working in logistics. The aim of the mission is to provide medical care to people in the 35 plus villages who otherwise have no access to care. The mission will also work to provide support to the Boys and Girls Club in rural Uganda. Your prayers for safety and the effectiveness of the mission would be greatly appreciated.

DOUGLAS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Junior/Senior Youth: We are going to **Bethania** for the final time this year on **Tuesday, March 12**. Meet there at **6:15pm** and pick up at 7:45pm.

Teachers Needed: We are in need of some more Jr./Sr. Sunday School teachers, please talk with Dale if you are interested.

Calling all who love to worship: We are looking for some more worship leaders. If you are willing to try worship leading, to do it once in a while or on a regular basis, please talk to Dale.

New Sunday School Volunteers for 2024 and into the fall still welcome! – “4 X 1” We’d love to have four more volunteers who can come once a month! Please talk to Tobia or inquire by email: tobia@douglasmc.ca

Attention Active Agers: Come get active with us on Mondays! There is still room for more people, so if you would like to try a class please contact Eileen H by email or phone. Please join us again when we resume on **Monday March 11**. Remember, these classes are for everyone! Lots of modifications available.

DMC KIDS

Coming up...

March 10 – Sunday School – Count-down to Holy Week What's that? and Easter Choir practice **Songs, inter-active prayers, creative Bible storying, games and crafts**

March 15 – Faith n Family Night – MYSTERIES to Solve or Not: Part 1 Questions in the Bible Stories of Good Friday and Easter. Activity: Mystery Game (!) and Gym Free Time **Jokes, worship songs, devos, interactive prayers, gym/activity time, snacks! Bring along an adult family member and a friend if that's okay with the adults! **

Looking ahead....

SUNDAY SCHOOL

March 17 – Following Jesus on the Road to Jerusalem, heading for Palm Sunday!

PLUS Easter Sunday Children's Choir will practice for a bit during Sunday School time.

HOLY WEEK (Although it is Spring Break, kids who can come will participate!)

Mar. 24 – Palm Sunday – *In-service Children's Processional & Activity Wagon – No SS.*

Mar. 29 – Good Friday – *In-service Children's Participation, Activity Bag – No SS.*

Mar. 31 – Easter Sunday – *In-service *Children's Choir & Story, Activity Wagon – No SS.*

FAITH n FAMILY

March 15 & 22 – Mysteries – to solve or not to solve...

March 27– Pizza & Gym Night (during Spring Break) Watch for details and sign up!

SUMMER CAMP!

Join Tante Tobia at Camp Assiniboia Junior-Intermediate Camp for kids who are finished Grades 1-6, **July 14-19!** Check it out at <https://campswithmeaning.org/registration>

FRIENDS OF DMC

Mennonite Church Canada is urgently appealing for relief funds for Meserete Kristos Church (MKC) in Ethiopia. MKC leaders and adherents have lost their lives in the crossfire of a violent tribal conflict that began in the western region of Ethiopia in 2018. Civil war, drought and continuing violence have led to severe hardship for MKC congregations and leaders in the area. Please consider donating to help them: <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/international-witness/MKC-relief>

Pray for Peace: (1) Myanmar. There have been two days of fighting in the city of Kalay, Myanmar near the Bible Missionary Church (Mennonite) Head Office and two Mennonite congregations. People have been ordered to leave. Mennonite families including the elderly and children have been displaced amid death, grief, and food shortages. The aerial bombardment was unexpected and sudden. It is not known how long the conflict will last.

(2) Ukraine. Church and Christian leaders of Canada call for peace as war in Ukraine enters its third year. Please join the Canadian Council of Churches in united prayer and action for peace in Ukraine. More info: <https://councilofchurches.ca/news/church-and-christian-leaders-of-canada-call-for-peace-as-war-in-ukraine-enters-its-second-year/>

Westgate Mennonite Collegiate is now accepting applications (Grades 6-12) for the 2024-2025 school year. Applications are available on the Westgate website (www.westgatemennonite.ca). If your family would like a one-on-one tour or if your student would like to come for a morning or a full day to see what life at Westgate is like, please call the school and speak to Lori (204) 775-7111.

Camps with Meaning. Summer Bible camp for kids finished Gr. 1 - Gr. 12. Two locations: Camp Assiniboia; Camp Koinonia. www.campswithmeaning.org

In this season of Lent, walk with pilgrims in Winnipeg and 125 other cities, in prayerful solidarity with the people of Gaza. Join Winnipeg's walk on **Saturday, March 16.** beginnings in the Medicine Garden at St. John's Park, 1 Fowler St., at 7:30 a.m. The 42-kilometer pilgrimage consists of seven segments; walk the entire length, or one or more of the segments. For more on the global movement: www.gazaceasefirepilgrimage.com. For local info: facebook.com/profile.php?id=61556589191835. Contact: Michael at michael.b.yung@gmail.com (204-771-0684). This event is supported by Mennonite Church Manitoba Palestine-Israel Network, MCC Manitoba, and Mennonite Action.

MCM Mondays. Mar 11, 7:30pm on Zoom. These sessions are meant for everyone in the congregation who is interested in the topic. "What community really looks like at Camps with Meaning". Join Nadya Langelotz to talk about this year's Bible curriculum, and how this theme might intersect with your church. www.mennochurch.mb.ca/mcmmondays for more info and the Zoom link.

The Mennonite Community Orchestra - a concert for the young at heart on **Sunday, March 17** at **3 PM** at Lutheran Church of the Cross, 560 Arlington St. The "Power of Imagination" concert will inspire all ages to use the human gift of seeing differently for the benefit of all. Andrea Bell will lead the orchestra in "Peter and the Wolf" by Prokofiev as well as Mozart's "The Magic Flute Overture". Children 16 and under free. For more information see <http://www.mennonitecommunityorchestra.ca/>

The Mennonite Community Orchestra presents a concert for children and the young at heart on Sunday, **March 17** at **3:00pm** at Lutheran Church of the Cross, 560 Arlington St. Hear the orchestra perform "Peter and the Wolf" and "The Magic Flute Overture." Free tickets for children. Visit www.mennonitecommunityorchestra.ca.

What's BVOR? Is it right for you and your church? Join us on **March 21** to find out! Through the Blended Visa Office-Referred program (BVOR), your church or community group can sponsor pre-screened refugees to quickly find refuge in Canada, with cost sharing between the settlement group and the federal government! Attend this information session to learn more about the BVOR program and how you can get involved. Refreshments will be provided. Limited seating available, so **register** at welcomethestranger.rsvpify.com **by March 15.**

The Verna Mae Music Competition, an annual event that showcases the work of CMU music students, is being held this year on Thursday, **March 21 at 7:00pm** in the Laudamus Auditorium. The concert will feature competition finalists Arielle Beaupré, Ava Campbell Enns, Carolynne Bracken, Emily Myers, Jacob Kenny, Vina Dimayuga, and Will Harder. Visit cmu.ca/events.

Light the Fire Launch Party. Your Camps with Meaning Capital Campaign is launching **April 14, 2024, 7:00pm**, at Alloway Hall at the Manitoba Museum. Music by Steve Bell, Bucky Driedger and Alisa Wiebe, and more. Food, drink, news, and of course an invitation to think about how you will light the fire (support the campaign). Sign up for free tickets and more info on the project at www.lightthefire.ca

Let's Get Dirty: The Lowdown on Earth's Fabric in your own Yard – a Face2Face conversation on Tuesday, **April 16 at 7:00pm** at CMU. Hear from scientists, researchers, and farmers about the untapped potential that's in your very own yard. Visit cmu.ca/face2face.

Recovery of Hope is hosting an event called **“Ready to Grow: Providing Support for Thriving Development”**, with presenters Andrea Dyck and Bree Jordan, Recovery of Hope Counsellors and Neufeld Institute trained. Andrea and Bree will lead us in exploring what children need most to grow and thrive in their development. This event is for anyone who lives with, works with, or has children in their lives! Join us on **April 23, 2024, at 7:00pm**, at our Recovery of Hope offices: 102 – 900 Harrow Street East. **Tickets are \$20** and can be purchased Eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/ready-to-grow-providing-support-for-thriving-development-winnipeg-tickets-836410334827?aff=ebdssbdestsearch> or call 204-477-3673.

WMS - You're invited to our inaugural WMS Gala for an evening of curiosity, joy, and gratitude. Join us **May 2, 2024** as we honour our first-ever WMS Builder Award recipient and to support our Foundations for a Lifetime Capital Campaign. Tickets \$100 (A portion of every ticket is eligible for a charitable tax receipt). Register online: [WMS Gala | WMS \(mennoniteschool.ca\)](http://WMS Gala | WMS (mennoniteschool.ca))

Voices Together in Worship - Save the Date - May 10 and 11, 2024. A gathering to resource worship planners, leaders, pastors and musicians. Hosted by MCM, sponsored by CMU. www.mennochurch.mb.ca/events for more info.

Westgate Bursary Banquet-- Save the date: Come enjoy an evening of fine food, fellowship, and inspiring entertainment on **Monday, May 13th, 5:30 pm Reception, 6:30 pm Dinner ~ Canad Inns – Polo Park**. More details to follow.

Annual Birding Retreat. May 24-26. Camp Koinonia. No experience required. Visit the webpage for more information and to register. www.campswithmeaning.org/birding-retreat.

VOLUNTEER & JOB OPPORTUNITIES:

Westgate Mennonite Collegiate invites applications for the position of **Choral Music Director**. Westgate has a strong tradition of choral music at the heart of its music program. Interested applicants should direct their cover letter and CV **by March 22** to Westgate's office, care of James Friesen, principal: jfriesen@westgatemennonite.org

Camp Koinonia invites applications for the Camp Manager and Food Services Coordinator positions. Visit www.campkoino.ca/opportunities for more info.

Winnipeg Mennonite School is searching for caring and capable individuals to fill important positions within our school. If you or someone you know would thrive in this position, learn more and apply online at mennoniteschool.ca/jobs.

- K-8 Physical Education Teacher (Bedson)
- K-5 Music / 6-8 Band Teacher (Bedson)

Full-Time Term Employment Opportunity – CMU invites inquiries and applications for a full-time term **Student Life Program Assistant, Special Projects**. Please direct applications and inquiries to hrdirector@cmu.ca. Closing date for applications is **March 20**. Visit cmu.ca/employment.

Join us and serve with MCC! MCC Canada is hiring a **Learning and Evaluation Systems Coordinator** and **research intern**. Check out mcc.org/careers for more details and to apply.

4 WAYS TO DONATE DIRECTLY:

- **E-TRANSFER (*our preference*):** Please record designation (by default all donations will go to the General Fund) and **your mailing address** in the message & send to: donations@douglasmc.ca
- **CHEQUE:** Please make cheques payable to Douglas Mennonite Church and mail to/drop off at 1517 Rothesay, Wpg, MB R2G 3G5
- **CREDIT CARD:** Click [here](#) to donate by credit card
- **GIFT OF SECURITIES:** Contact Brooks Hanson, Treasurer, brookshanson14@gmail.com or (204) 330-2312

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