

Looking Ahead

Tues., April 3	7:30 pm	Creative Gathering with Lauren Harms - final session
Sun., April 8	10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm 1:00 - 2:30 pm	Sunday School for all ages Farewell Service for Pastor Ed Potluck Lunch Farewell Open House at First Mennonite Church
Tues., April 10	7:30 pm	Helping Hands Women in Mission **Note time**
Sun., April 15	10:00 am 11:00 am	Sunday School for all ages Worship Service with Tom and Christine Poovong
Sun., April 22	10:00 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm	Sunday School for all ages Worship Service with Brenda Dyck HHWM Fundraiser & Talent Show
Sun., April 29	10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm	Sunday School for all ages Worship Service with Jon Olfert Coffee Time - sign up sheet on bulletin board in foyer

Beyond First

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)

New Blood is a widely acclaimed production which tells the story of Chief Vincent Yellow Old Woman & his experience as a child in residential school, how he reclaimed his way of life, and became chief of his people. It blends Blackfoot music with contemporary **music by Peter Gabriel** to create an amazing piece of theatre celebrating Blackfoot history and traditions. Hosted by MCC, the show will take place at **Foothills Mennonite Church** (2115 Urbana Road NW) on **Friday, April 13 at 7:30 pm**. Tickets are \$14.00 and can be purchased by contacting: allisongoerzen@mccab.ca or at: eventbrite.ca.

Grow Hope with MCC Alberta & Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB): Sponsor an acre of land for \$300 on Richard & Esther Goerzen's farm. They will farm the land and donate the proceeds to MCC & CFGB. Learn more at: mccab.ca/grow-hope.

MCC Learning Tour to Nepal - For more information, visit: mccab.ca/lt-nepal.

MCC Relief Sale – June 1 & 2 at the Didsbury Memorial Complex – We need helpers with the “Borscht Booth” and possibly other food preparation venues. If you can help, please contact Marguerite Jack as soon as possible. To register items you wish to donate, please go to: mccreliefsale.com.

Mennonite Church Alberta (MCA)

Registration is now open for the annual **Women's Retreat** which will be held **June 8-10** at the Sunnyside Retreat Centre in **Sylvan Lake**. Our speaker is Rachel Miller Jacobs (Associate Professor of Congregational Formation at AMBS) and the theme will be "Ordinary Forgiveness". Come relax, laugh, and be strengthened in your walk with Christ and connect with other women from across the province. Register online: www.mcawomen.ca. All are welcome!

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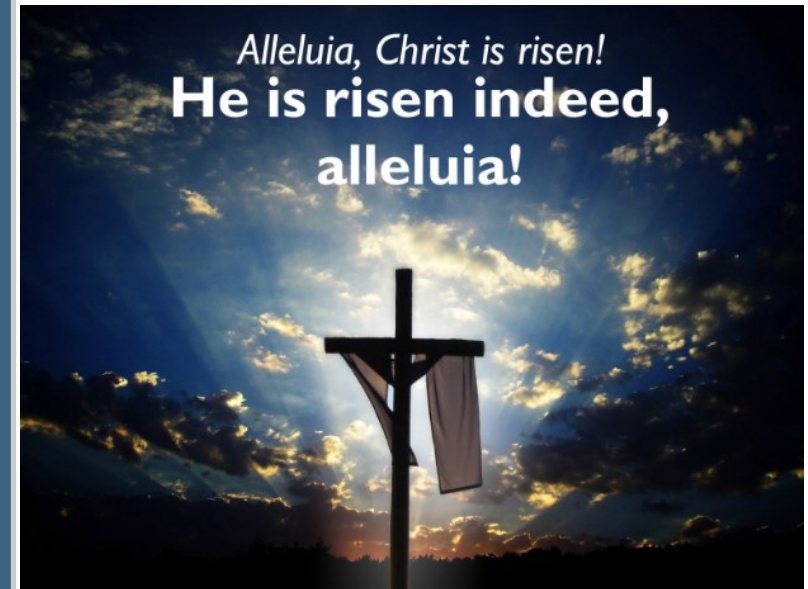
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Sunday, April 1, 2018



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April 1, 2018

Easter Worship Service ~ 11:00 am
He is Risen!

We Gather for Worship

Welcome
Call to Worship (Projected)
Songs of Gathering Lift your glad voices (HWB #275)
The strife is o'er (HWB #263)

Offering our Gifts
Sharing Church Life

We Listen for God's Word

Between Me & You (v. 7) (Projected)
Children's Feature Moni Janssen
For Me, For You (v. 7) (Projected)
Reading the Word JOHN 20: 1 - 18
I CORINTHIANS 15: 1 - 11
Message "A Day For Fools"
Pastor Ed

We Respond to God and Each Other

Song of Response This is the threefold truth (HWB #335)
Sharing Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People
Communion

We Go Out as God's Missionaries

Benediction
Song of Sending Christ is alive (STS #89)

Worship Leader: Kelly Janz
Song Leader: Gay Kauffman
Accompanist: Elsie Wiebe

Sunday School classes have been cancelled for today.

Praise & Prayer Notes

Mennonite Church Canada: Darnell & Christina Barkman (Witness workers - Philippines) After 6 years in Manila, the Barkman family is returning to Canada and asks that we carry them in our prayers as they enter this phase of transition.

Menno Simons Christian School (MSCS)
is pleased to present the production:
Seussical the Musical!
"Oh, the things you can think" when Dr. Seuss' best-loved characters collide and cavort in an unforgettable musical caper!
The show runs nightly - **April 26, 27 and 28 at 7:00 pm.**
Tickets are \$10.00/adult & \$5.00/children age under 10.
Tickets can be purchased from Eugena Lee
in the foyer after the service

Today marks Pastor Ed's last official day.
Any pastoral care needs in the coming weeks should be directed to one of the Deacons:
Paul Bartel, Robert Fiss or Ruth Griffeth.

Here at First

Tuesdays of Lent - Creative Gathering with Lauren Harms: Final session, this Tuesday, April 3 at 7:30 pm.

Next **Sunday, April 8** we will be holding a **Farewell Celebration** honouring Pastor Ed and Gay. The morning service will be followed by a **Potluck Lunch**. There will be a **Farewell Open House** at First Mennonite Church from **1:00 - 2:30 pm**. Please join us in thanking the Kauffmans for their many years at First Mennonite and wish them well on their journey back to Indiana.

Help Wanted: The **Kauffmans** are looking for some help to **load their U-Haul** truck on Tuesday, **April 10** beginning around 1:00 pm. If you can help, please let Ed know.

The Helping Hands Women in Mission (HHWM) **Fundraiser & Talent Show** is planned for **April 22 at 6:00 pm**. Anyone willing to share their gifts with us is invited to talk to Birgitt or another member of the HHWM.