

## LOOKING AHEAD

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| Aug. 21 - 25   | 1:00-3:30 | Vacation Bible School (VBS) at First Mennonite Church   |
| Sun., Aug. 27  | 11:00 am  | FMC Picnic at Camp Valaqua - no Service in FMC building |
| Sun., Sept. 3  | 11:00 am  | Worship Service with Pastor Caleb                       |
| Sun., Sept. 10 | 11:00 am  | Unraveled Series begins with Pastor Caleb               |

## MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA

Urgent prayer request from our sister church in Burkina Faso: With the recent coup in Niger, there is threat of war in the Sahel region of Africa. Please join us in praying that this escalation will stop, that peaceful forms of resolution will be found to the crisis in Niger and the other Sahel countries, and that peace will return to this region.

Iglesia Cristiana Menonita de Colombia celebrated its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2023. Pray that God will continue to lead them into pathways of peace and service for their communities and their country.

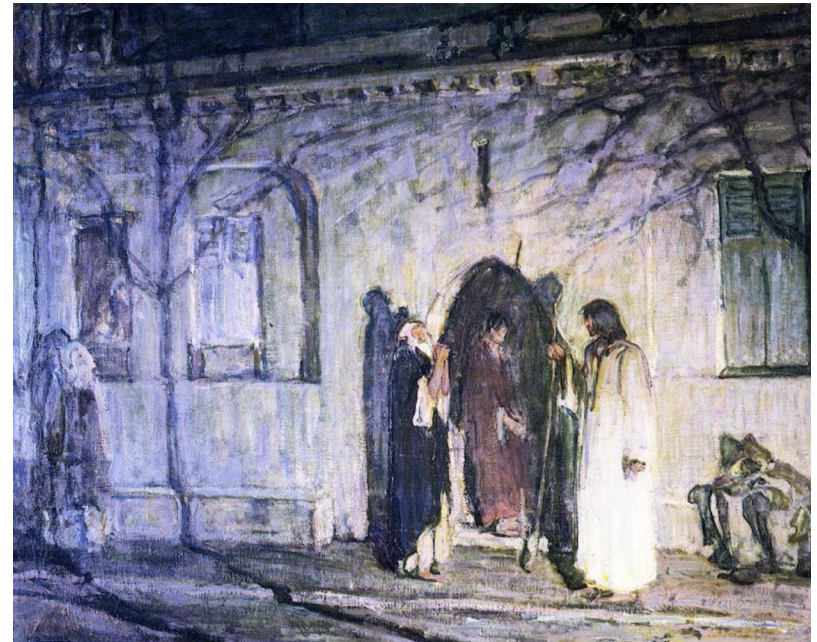
## CAMP VALAQUA

"We in the kitchen are so so grateful to have amazing help all summer from volunteers. I feel quite confident in saying that we couldn't do it without our volunteers!! Thank you so much for everything from sending cookies to mopping to cleaning the grill and everything in between. So many kids are saying that the food is their favourite part of camp and no one would last a day, much less a whole week, without food out here, so thank you for making camp possible."

~ Louisa (Head Cook)

# CALGARY FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023



"Christ with the Canaanite Woman and her Daughter"  
by Henry Ossawa Tanner

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AUGUST 20, 2023

WORSHIP SERVICE ~ 11:00 AM

**Gathering**

Hymn of Gathering                      Oh, for a Thousand Tongues (VT #764)  
Welcome & Announcements  
Opening Words  
Call to Worship  
Invocation Prayer  
Scripture Reading                      Isaiah 56: 1, 6 - 8

**Praising**

Hymn of Praise                      Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song (VT #581)  
Psalm of Praise                      Psalm 133: 1 - 3  
Hymn of Praise                      Open My Eyes That I May See (VT #738)

**Proclaiming**

Scripture Reading                      Matthew 15: 21 - 28  
Message                      Pastor Caleb

**Responding**

Time of Reflection  
Congregational Response  
Sharing Our Joys & Concerns  
Prayers of the People

**Sending**

Benediction  
Hymn of Sending                      May God Grant You a Blessing (VT #845)

Worship Leader: Erv Thiessen  
Accompanist: Elsie Wiebe

Please place your offering into the collection box, located on the sound desk at the back of sanctuary. Or, send your donations to Calgary First Mennonite Church through Interac e-Transfer to:  
**treasurer@calgaryfirstmennonite.ca**

PRAISE & PRAYER NOTES

**Contact the church office  
for the redacted notes**

HERE AT FIRST MENNONITE

On Sunday, August 27, join us at Camp Valaqua for our First Mennonite Church Annual Picnic beginning at 11:00 am. Lunch will be potluck style, followed by outdoor games for all ages. Please note that there will not be a Worship Service in the First Mennonite Church building. Directions to Camp Valaqua can be found at the bottom of their home page on their website:

**campvalaqua.ca**

Fellowship Groups: Everyone interested in being a part of fellowship groups is reminded to mark their calendar for the evening of Monday, September 18, when we will have the first meeting. More details to come about time and locations.



THIS SEPTEMBER GET READY TO EXPLORE  
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