

LOOKING AHEAD

Thurs., Feb. 2	7:30 pm	Council of Church Ministries Meeting over Zoom
Sun., Feb. 5	10:00 am 11:00 am	Sunday School for ages - preschool to adult Worship Service - Pastor Caleb
Sat., Feb. 11	9:00 am	First Mennonite Church Annual General Meeting
Sun., Feb. 12	10:00 am 11:00 am	Sunday School for ages - preschool to adult Worship Service - Suzanne Gross
Sun., Feb. 19 <i>Family Day Weekend</i>	——— 11:00 am	No Sunday School today Worship Service - Pastor Caleb
Wed., Feb. 22 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	TBA	Ash Wednesday Service - details to be announced
Feb. 24 - 26	———	Snow Camp at Camp Valaqua for youth (grades 7 - 12)
Sun., Feb. 26	10:00 am 11:00 am	Teacher Appreciation Sunday Worship Service - Jenn Ratzlaff

BEYOND FIRST MENNONITE

Join the (MCC) Mennonite Central Committee's "The Great Winter Warm-up" by making a comforter — on your own or create a group to do this together. Once you're finished, call MCC at 403-275-6935 to coordinate a pick-up or drop-off. Your time and creative talents share a tangible message of God's love with those in need. People affected by disaster or conflict often must leave without warning—and without necessary supplies like warm blankets. If you don't sew, but would like to help, you can cover the cost to make a comforter. It takes about \$54.00 of fabric and supplies for volunteers to make each comforter. To learn more, get inspiration, or to donate, please visit:

mcccanada.ca/great-winter-warm-up

Canadian Mennonite University (CMU) invites you to a Public Lecture with Dr. Francis Su: Mathematics for Human Flourishing. How can mathematics connect to our deepest human longings, such as for beauty, truth, or justice? Math is a deeply human enterprise that, when properly engaged, builds virtues like persistence, creativity, and an expectation of enchantment. Thursday, February 2 at 7:00 pm at CMU. For livestream details, visit:

cmu.ca/sir

The MCC Peace and Justice Student Seminar for Canadian University and College students is happening from March 9 - 11 in Ottawa. For more information or to apply, visit:

mcccanada.ca/get-involved/events

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CALGARY FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2023



"Light from Above" by Vladislav Zaborsky

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EVENING VESPER SERVICE ~ 5:00 PM

Hymn	Come Away from Rush and Hurry (VT #9)
Opening Scripture	Genesis 1: 1 - 5 Tessa Burgess
Welcome	
Reading of the Psalm	Psalm 46 Lisa Burgess
Hymn	The Day You Gave Us (VT #506)
Prayer of Praise	
Focus Refrain	Be Still and Know (VT #37)
Reading the Gospel	Mark 4: 35 - 39 Natalie Ratzlaff
Hymn	Calm Me, Lord (VT #680)
Prayer of Confession	
Reading of the Old Testament	1 Kings 19: 9b - 13 Erv Thiessen
Prayer of Redemption	
Hymn	Abide with Me (VT #502)
Prayers of the People	Pastor Caleb
Hymn	Longing for Light (VT #715)
Prayer of Renewal	

Worship Leader: Worship Ministry
Accompanist: Elsie Wiebe

PRAISE & PRAYER NOTES

Please contact the
church office
for the redacted Notes

Thank you to each and every one who gave the gift of money, time, and energy to Mennonite Church Canada programs and ministries in 2022. Know that your gifts are welcomed and treasured by all who receive them. May God's blessing of grace and peace be with you. ~ Doug Klassen, Executive Minister, Mennonite Church Canada.

HERE AT FIRST MENNONITE

Two ushers are needed for the first Sunday of each month, starting in February. If you would like to help serve our church in this way, please let Karen Janz know as soon as possible.

Do you have questions about Baptism or membership? Have you sensed an urging to enter more fully into Christian discipleship or congregational life? Please reach out to Pastor Caleb or one of the Deacons to have a conversation about Baptism, membership, or ways to get more involved here at First Mennonite Church. Your Deacons are: Ruth Griffeth, Bernie Feddema, Richard Gorecki, Nathan Burgess, and Kelly Janz.

The Worship Ministry is looking to add more projectionist volunteers for our Sunday services. If you would like to learn how to run our projection software and join a rotation of projectionists for Sunday worship, please reach out to Pastor Caleb, Jenn Ratzlaff, Lisa Burgess, or Karen Janz.

The First Mennonite Church Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on Saturday, February 11, 2023 at 9:00 am. Printed copies of the Annual Report Book are now available in the church foyer. One book per household, if possible, please.

The 2023 Mennonite Church Alberta (MCA) Annual Delegate Session is being hosted by Springridge Mennonite Church in Pincher Creek on March 17-18. There will be an in-person church service at their church on March 19. If you are interested in attending as a delegate or guest, please let the church office or Karen Janz know. Our current delegate list: Marguerite Jack, Ellie Janz, Karen Janz, Wayne Janz, and Caleb Kowalko. Although billeting is encouraged, hotel rooms in Pincher Creek have been reserved until February 14. For more information and to register, go to:

www.mcab.ca