

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun., June 18 <i>Father's Day</i>	10:00 am 11:00 am	Kids' Club Event Worship Service - Pastor Caleb
Sun., June 25	11:00 am 12:00 pm 2:30 pm	Worship Service - Pastor Caleb Congregational Meeting during Coffee Time Youth Amazing Race
Sun., July 2	11:00 am	Worship Service - Jenn Ratzlaff
Sun., July 9	11:00 am	Worship Service - Pastor Caleb
Sun., July 16	TBA	Stampede Breakfast

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE (MCC)

Support the work of MCC by donating a handcraft, gift basket, certificate, or antique to the MCC Alberta Online Relief Auction before June 23. The Auction will run July 7-16. To learn more and register your donation, visit:

mcccanada.ca/get-involved/events/mcc-alberta-online-relief-auction

GO!100 with MCC Alberta this summer to support relief, development, and peace work around the world and at home! We have two individuals from First Mennonite Church who are seeking your sponsorship:

- Nathan Burgess will be "Running rain or shine, snow or wind to raise \$1,000 for MCC's GO!100." Help Nathan reach his goal by clicking on his link to donate:
canadahelps.org/en/charities/mennonite-central-committee-alberta/p2p/go-100-2023/page/100km-of-trail-running/
- Elsie Wiebe is devoting 100 hours to sewing quilts and school kit bags to be shipped overseas. Elsie invites you to sponsor her in this worthy cause. You can phone the MCC office at: 403-275-6935 to sponsor Elsie Wiebe, or you can click on her link:
www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/mennonite-central-committee-alberta/p2p/go-100-2023/page/elsies-passion-is-sewing-for-mcc/

Children and families across East Africa are facing hunger and conflict, as well as extreme weather events. For a limited time, the Government of Canada will match every eligible dollar from individuals up to \$5 million to help MCC – and other organizations to provide emergency food. Please give as generously as you can by clicking on this link:

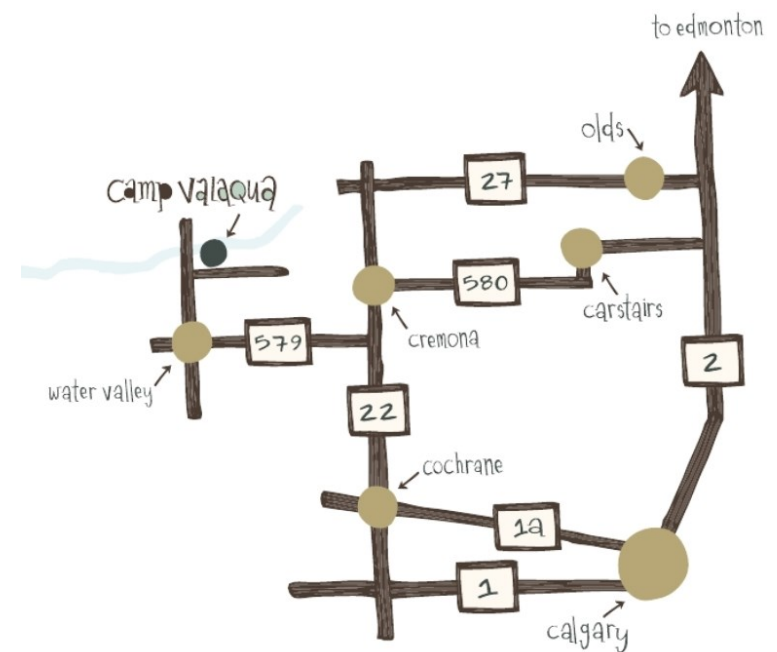
donate.mcccanada.ca/cause/crisis-east-africa

We're looking for a Community Engagement Coordinator. Visit our website to learn more about the position and apply:

mennonitecentralcommittee.cmail20.com/t/i-lalhuth-tigeihyu-i/



SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023 CAMP VALAQUA GARDEN PARTY



**Join us at the Camp Valaqua Garden Party
starting at 11:00 am.
There will not be a Worship Service
in the First Mennonite Church building.**

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JUNE 11, 2023

CAMP VALAQUA GARDEN PARTY

11:00 AM

The Camp Valaqua Worship Service will begin at 11:00 am
with Ruth Bergen Braun speaking.

You are invited to stay for a meal together
as we celebrate Camp Valaqua's little corner of God's Garden.

After lunch, linger under the tall, tall trees
and participate in camp activities
like the climbing wall and archery.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY, JUNE 25 AT 12:00 PM AGENDA

Opening

Procedural Items

- Appoint Returning Officers
- Attendance and Quorum
- Acceptance of Agenda

Meeting Items

- Election of Deacons
 - Susanne Feddema
 - Marlene Pytyck

Further Refugee Sponsorship

- Our current sponsorship ends this June
 - Does FMC want to pursue another sponsorship?

Other Church Information Items

- Use of FMC facilities for moms & tots group
- Window replacement plans
- Current library space in foyer converted to seating area

Acceptance of Minutes

Closing

PRAISE & PRAYER NOTES

Contact the church office for this redacted Praise & Prayer Note.

The Third Global Mennonite Peacebuilding Conference is taking place in Harrisonburg, June 15-17. Pray that God's message of peace on earth will take on flesh in the people attending and in the networks that are formed. Mennonite Church Canada Witness partners from Ethiopia, Philippines, and others, as well as Witness Worker Bock Ki Kim will be attending.

Bethel International (Oromo) Church in Edmonton invites us to pray for them:

- We are in need of different worship space. We currently gather on the south side of Edmonton. We are looking for space in the middle of the city.
- Many Ethiopian people are scattered in neighbouring countries (Kenya, Egypt, Uganda, and Sudan) because of war in Ethiopia. Pray for our people, for God's providence, and for sponsors to get people to safe places in Canada, USA & Australia.
- Pray for peace for Ethiopia.
- Pray for Pastor Mezgebu's ministry in Ethiopia, Egypt, and Dubai. He needs financial support for travel and requests prayers that God may prepare the way.

BEYOND FIRST MENNONITE

Camp Valaqua

Camp Valaqua is seeking an assistant cook for this summer's camp season from June 30 to August 25 (week of July 29-August 6 off). Salary and room & board provided. For more details, contact Jeff:

manager@campvalaqua.com
403-637-2510

In case you missed sponsoring a hiker for the Camp Valaqua Hike-a-thon, you can still give to Camp Valaqua by going to:

mcab.ca/valaqua

Mennonite Church Canada 2023 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Join our nationwide community of faith for Mennonite Church Canada's virtual AGM (Zoom only) on Saturday, June 24, 1:00 - 2:30 pm EDT. Along with our business agenda, we will hear updates from our program directors, enjoy worship, and reflect together as joint council members share what God has showed them over the past year. All are welcome. For more information, go to:

www.mennonitechurch.ca/nationwide-events

Did You Know?

Mennonite Church Alberta publishes a weekly newsletter with updates and stories from Mennonite Church Canada and Mennonite Church Alberta. Sign up today to receive the MCA Communique in your inbox. Details are available at:

www.mcab.ca