

## Looking Way Ahead

Tues., Nov. 20	10:30 am	Joining Over Java - come and join the fun
Thurs., Nov. 22	TBA 7:30 pm	Deacons' Meeting Hand Bell Rehearsal
Sun., Nov. 25 <i>Memorial Sunday</i>	10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm	Sunday School for all ages Worship Service Coffee Time - please use sign up sheet in foyer
Tues., Nov. 27	10:30 am	Joining Over Java
Thurs., Nov. 29	7:30 pm	Hand Bell Rehearsal
Sun., Dec. 2 <i>First Advent</i>	10:00 am 11:00 am 6:30 pm	Sunday School Christmas Rehearsals Begin Worship Service Inter-Mennonite Advent Hymn Sing here at FMC
Sat., Dec. 8	5:30 pm	Christmas Banquet & Silent Auction
Sun., Dec. 9	2:00 - 5:00 pm	Open House at Caleb & Triana's home
Sun., Dec. 23	12:00 - 2:00 pm	Dress Rehearsal following lunch (provided)
Mon., Dec. 24	5:30 pm	Christmas Eve Program
Sun., Dec. 30	11:00 am	Hymn Sing Sunday - NO Sunday School today
Mon., Jan 14, 2019		DEADLINE - Annual Reports to the church office
Sun., Feb. 3, 2019	afternoon	Annual General Meeting - First Mennonite Church

## Beyond First

**Mennonite Historical Society of Alberta Fall Conference:** Saturday November 24 at Lendrum Mennonite Church in Edmonton. For more information, see the poster in the foyer or call: 780-218-7411 or email: dmtoews@gmail.com

**Canadian Mennonite is hiring an Online Media Manager**, a full-time position that can be worked remotely. Multi-media journalists with a passion for the Mennonite church are welcome to apply at: [canadianmennonite.org/employment](http://canadianmennonite.org/employment).

### **Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)**

**Steve Bell: A benefit concert for MCC's Restorative Justice Program - TONIGHT** at 6:00 pm at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury. Come hear Steve Bell and learn about MCC's Restorative Justice Program. Tickets are \$20.00 and available online at: [stevebell.com](http://stevebell.com).

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## Sunday, November 18, 2018



*"Figura de Velorio" (1955) by Eduardo Kingman*



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Worship Service ~ 11:00 am

**We Gather for Worship**

Welcome

Call to Worship

Songs of Gathering Here in this place (HWB #6)

What a friend we have in Jesus (HWB #573)

Sharing Church Life

Sharing our Gifts

**We Listen for God's Word**

Children's Feature Moni Janssen

Hymn of Praise I need thee every hour (HWB #555)

Reading the Word 1 SAMUEL 1:4 - 20

Message "A Barren Beginning"  
Pastor Caleb

**We Respond to God and Each Other**

Song of Response I will come to you in the silence (STS #49)  
vv. 1, 2 & 3

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

**We Go Out as God's Missionaries**

Benediction

Song of Sending Move in our midst (HWB #418)  
vv. 1 & 2

**Worship Leader:** Erv Thiessen

**Song Leader:** Lisa Burgess

**Accompanist:** Elsie Wiebe

Sunday School Classes ~ 10:00 am

Ages 3 - Grade 1

Grades 2 - 6

Grades 7 - 12

Adult - Uniform Series

**Galilee** (Lower Sunday School Wing; left side)

**Egypt** (Upper Sunday School Wing; right side)

**Jericho** (Upper Sunday School Wing; left side)

Main floor Sunday School Wing, end of hall

**Praise & Prayer Notes**

Edmonton First Mennonite Church has asked us to pray for them as they meet with Pastoral Candidate Craig Neufeld this weekend.

*Please contact the church office for this redacted prayer concern.*

**Here at First**

**Memorial Sunday - November 25**

The Sunday before First Advent is when we remember those who have died in the past year. If you would like a photograph projected during the service, please email your (jpg) photo to the church office: [info@calgaryfirstmennonite.ca](mailto:info@calgaryfirstmennonite.ca). Please include the birth and death dates, full name, and relationship to you. Rita must receive your photos **no later than THIS Tuesday, November 20**.

**Coffee Time - Sunday, November 25**

You are encouraged to indicate your willingness to help with Coffee Time. Please let us know (by printing your name on the sign-up sheet located in the foyer) that you will be setting up, cleaning up, or bringing goodies for Coffee Time.

**Annual Inter-Mennonite Advent Hymn Sing - Sunday, December 2 at 6:30 pm**

You are invited to begin the Advent season with an evening of music, here at **First Mennonite Church**. Please **bring finger-food snacks** to share during the fellowship time following the service. An offering for MCC will be taken.

**Our Annual Christmas Banquet & Silent Auction**

will be held on

**Saturday, December 8 at 5:30 pm**

**Tickets are now on sale.**

**Kowalko's Open House - Sunday, December 9 from 2:00-5:00 pm**

Caleb and Triana warmly invite you to their open house. More details to come.

**Hymn Sing Sunday - December 30**

This year we began a tradition of having a Hymn Sing Sunday in the months with five Sundays. December 30 is the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. We'll feature the beloved Christmas hymns/songs of our congregation. Do you have a Christmas Hymn that you would like us to sing? Would you be willing to share why it is special to your family? Please contact Jenn Ratzlaff at: [jmratzlaff@yahoo.ca](mailto:jmratzlaff@yahoo.ca) or: 403-640-4605. Jenn asks that if you do not receive a response email within a few days, please contact her by phone as she is currently experiencing issues with her email account.