

LOOKING AHEAD

Wed., Nov. 29	9:30 - 11:00 am	Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup
Thurs., Nov. 30	6:30 pm	Hand Bell Rehearsal
Sun., Dec. 3 <i>First Advent</i>	10:00 am 11:00 am 6:30 pm	Sunday School Classes - Pre-Kindergarten to Adults Worship Service - Pastor Caleb Advent Hymn Sing
Tues., Dec. 5	7:30 pm	Council of Church Ministries' Meeting
Wed., Dec. 6	9:30 - 11:00 am	Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup
Thurs., Dec. 7	6:30 pm	Hand Bell Rehearsal
Fri., Dec. 8	All Day	Set up and preparations for the Banquet
Sat., Dec. 9	5:00 pm	Christmas Banquet
Sun., Dec. 10 <i>Second Advent</i>	10:00 am 11:00 am	Sunday School Classes - Pre-Kindergarten to Adults Worship Service - Jenn Ratzlaff
Sun., Dec. 24	9:15 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal (breakfast provided) Worship Service - Pastor Caleb Christmas Play Program
Mon., Dec. 25	—	No Service at First Mennonite Church

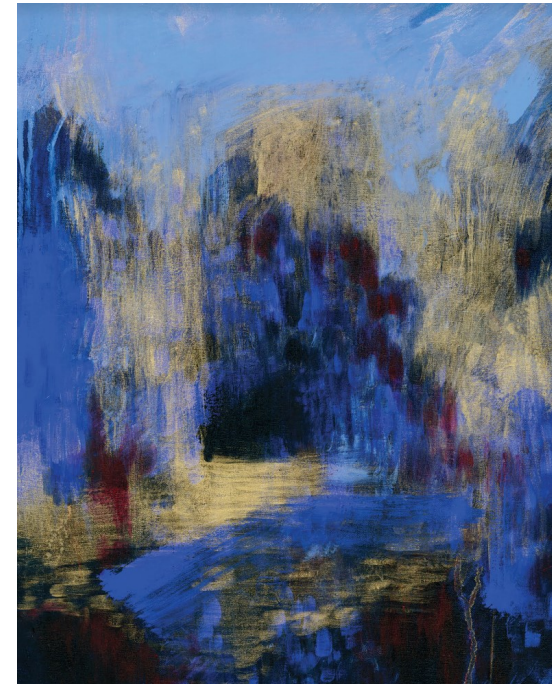
HERE AT FIRST MENNONITE

Our Christmas Banquet will be held on Saturday, December 9 here at First Mennonite Church, starting at 5:00 pm. Trinity Mennonite Church will be joining us this year. Tickets are available today in the foyer: \$15.00 (adults & children over 10), \$5.00 (ages 5-10), free (under 5 years). Ticket sale proceeds cover the cost of the meal. Remaining proceeds plus the Silent Auction proceeds will help support Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Relief Kits. Let Karen Janz know if you have an item to donate to the Silent Auction.

Next Sunday, December 3, there will be a special collection taken to support the First Mennonite Church Compassion Fund. The Compassion Fund is used at the discretion of our Deacons to support individuals or families in difficult situations.

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023



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NOVEMBER 26, 2023

MEMORIAL SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE ~ 11:00 AM

Gathering

Hymn God, Be the Love (VT #43)
vv. 1, 3 & 4

Passing the Peace

Opening Words

Call to Worship (Projected)

Prayer of Illumination

Proclaiming

Hymn Nothing Is Lost on the Breath of God (VT #653)

Scripture Reading Job 28: 12 - 28

Prayer of Confession

Children's Weaving Time

Hymn Eternal Light, Shine in My Heart (VT #554)

Message Pastor Caleb

Responding

Ceremony of Remembrance

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Sending

Benediction

Hymn In the Bulb There Is a Flower (VT #670)

Worship Leader: Lisa Burgess
Accompanist: Elsie Wiebe

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



Following the service, please join us downstairs for a brief Congregational Meeting during Coffee Time.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ~ 10:00 AM

Pre-kindergarten - Grade 2
Grades 3 - 6
Grades 7 - 12
Adults
Adult Visio Divina

Pre-K - Grade 12 meet in the
basement on the 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays

Pastor Caleb's Office (Main Floor Sunday School Wing)
Boardroom (Main Floor Sunday School Wing)

Lower Sunday School Wing
Upper Sunday School Wing
Upper Sunday School Wing



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THAT REPRESENTS HOW GOD WEAVES US BACK TOGETHER
WHEN LIFE BECOMES UNRAVELED.

PRAISE & PRAYER NOTES

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FOR DETAILS

On the cover: "The Way to Wonder" inspired by Job 28: 12 - 28
by Lisle Gwynn Garrity

When I first began this painting, I hoped to render Job's hymn to wisdom visually. I imagined being stuck in the deep, as if my body was anchored underwater and I was looking up to the surface. I imagined textures and symbols emerging in the swirl of the dark to portray Job's search for meaning, his grasping to find a way out. But as the painting came together, it was all wrong. The strokes and symbols were too literal, too formulaic. I almost scrapped the canvas altogether, but decided to keep going, to add more layers, more depth, more gold. A window, doorway, or portal emerged in the middle of the painting. I felt a release and realized that, while I started with lament, I ended with awe. "To fear God is wisdom" (Job 28: 28). The Hebrew word for "fear," yirah, literally translates to "awesome." True wisdom lies in breathless reverence for God's mystery and expansiveness—for God's presence that is beyond what we can control, or reason, or make far too small.