## LOOKING AHEAD

| Wed., Nov. 8   | 9:30 - 11:00 am                  | Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup  |
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| Thurs., Nov. 9 | 6:30 pm                          | Hand Bell Rehearsal  |
| Sun., Nov. 12  | 11:00 am<br>12:00 pm             | No Sunday School Classes Today<br>Worship Service - Jenn Ratzlaff<br>Youth Event                         |
| Tues., Nov. 14 | 7:30pm                           | Deacons' Meeting   |
| Wed., Nov. 15  | 9:30 - 11:00 am                  | Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup  |
| Sun., Nov. 19  | 10:00 am<br>11:00 am<br>12:00 pm | Sunday School Classes - Pre-Kindergarten to Adults<br>Worship Service - Pastor Caleb<br>Kids' Club Event |

# BEYOND FIRST MENNONITE

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) response to the Palestine and Israel Conflict: Through our membership in Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB), MCC is appealing for humanitarian response in Gaza in partnership with the Humanitarian Coalition. The Government of Canada will match all donations by individuals up to \$10 million until November 12, 2023. The Humanitarian Coalition is a group of leading humanitarian organizations in Canada, including CFGB, that appeal together during a crisis. To learn more and to donate, go to: mcc.org/palestine-israel

As the harvest season winds down here in Canada, our thoughts are with many of our partners' countries where food security is a growing issue. You can help by supporting conservation agriculture programs through MCC's Grow Hope Campaign. To learn more and sponsor one of the remaining 60 acres, go to: mcc.org/get-involved/giving/grow-hope

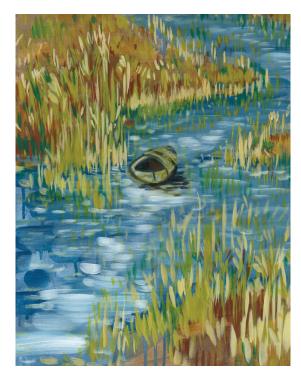
The Mennonite Church Alberta (MCA) featured congregation for November in the "A Window Into...Our Mennonite Congregations" series is the Edmonton Christian Life Community Church. Learn more at: mcab.ca/windows2023

Mennonite Church Alberta (MCA) invites you to Fun & Fundraising at Foothills Mennonite Church on Friday, November 17 at 7:00 pm. Come to celebrate and support the relationships and ministries we share as MCA. Hear highlights from Camp Valaqua, Bridge Building, and other ways we as MCA live into God's calling together with the Mennonite Church across Canada. Learn how our financial giving makes a difference around the world. Fellowship around desserts, entertainment, door prizes, and other surprises. See the posters in the foyer.

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Sunday, November 5, 2023



"Imperfect Ally" by Lisle Gwynn Garrity

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# November 5, 2023

## Worship Service ~ 11:00 am

Gathering

Call to Worship

Hymn Children of the Heavenly Father (VT #517)

vv. 1, 3 & 4

Opening Words & Announcements

Prayer

Proclaiming

Hymn O Jesus Way Down Deep (Projected)

Scripture Reading Exodus 1: 22, 2: 1 - 10

Children's Weaving Time

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

Prayer of Confession

Message Pastor Caleb

Responding

Time of Reflection Will the Circle Be Unbroken

Henry Bergen and Richard Gorecki

Congregational Response

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Sending

Hymn God, Be the Love (VT #43)

vv. 1, 3 & 4

Benediction

Worship Leader: Moni Janssen Accompanists: Henry Bergen and Jade Janssen

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

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ~ 10:00 AM

Pre-kindergarten - Grade 2
Grades 3 - 6

Pre-K - Grade 12 meet in the basement

on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays

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

Adults Adult Visio Divina

Grades 7 - 12

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



THIS FALL WE ARE EXPLORING DIFFERENT WAYS WE EXPERIENCE "UNRAVELING" AND WHERE WE FIND GOD IN THOSE TIMES. WEEK BY WEEK WE WILL BE CREATING AN INTERGENERATIONAL ART PIECE THAT REPRESENTS HOW GOD WEAVES US BACK TOGETHER WHEN LIFE BECOMES UNRAVELED.

# PRAISE & PRAYER NOTES

# Redacted Contact the church office for details

# HERE AT FIRST MENNONITE

Remember to mark your calendar for the Fellowship Group Meeting on November 20 Talk to Pastor Caleb for more information.

Wayne and Austin Janz are taking on a project to capture our church stories on video. They would like to interview as many people in our congregation as feasible to collect first hand accounts of:

- Our church history
- Personal reflections about First Mennonite
- Memories of special events or programs
- lovs and difficulties in the life of our church
- How people serve within our congregation
- Why we come and why we stay a part of the church family, and
- Anything else that people want to share.

They plan to post some of the collected video interviews on the upcoming new church website. As well, all the collected footage will be archived for future generations. They are starting this multi-year, "Stories of First Mennonite" project this month. You may be one of the early ones who they contact for an interview or you may be contacted many months from now. They are hoping for broad support from the congregation in order to share some of the never heard before stories of our church and preserve them for people to reflect on decades from now.