LOOKING AHEAD

Sun., Oct. 18	11:00 am	Worship Service over Zoom only
Sun., Oct. 25	11:00 am 12:00 pm	Worship Service over Zoom only Virtual Coffee Time over Zoom
Sun., Nov. 1 Daylight Saving ends	11:00 am	Worship Service over Zoom & possible in-church service
Mon., Nov. 2	7:00 pm	Council of Church Ministries meeting over Zoom
Sun., Nov. 15	TBA	Congregational Meeting - details To Be Announced

BEYOND FIRST MENNONITE

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Buckets of Thanks is an opportunity to pause and remember the things for which we are thankful. While we cannot meet together in person to pack kits, there is still time to drop off supplies needed for Relief Kits. For more information, please go to: mccbuckets.ca. To book a drop-off time at the MCC Office, please contact Linda at: 403-275-6935 or: lindadickinson@mccab.ca.

Camp Valaqua Fall Work Day is on Saturday, October 17 at beginning at 9:00 am. Please contact Camp Valaqua to sign up to help and to learn what protocols must be followed. Call the Camp Valaqua office: 403-637-2510 or email: valaqua@xplornet.com.

North Edmonton Ministries: You are invited to the Annual Christian Muslim Dialogue on Saturday, October 31 at 1:30 pm. The topic is "Boosting Resilience for the Digital Age". COVID-19 gives us the unique opportunity to participate on Zoom. Registration and more information on the speakers is available at: www.acwalberta.ca.

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) has turned 100! We invite you to join together with people all across Canada for MCC's virtual Centennial Celebration on Saturday, November 21 at 6:00 pm (MST). It will be a time to celebrate a century of relief, development and peace in the name of Christ through storytelling, music, prayer and thanksgiving. To RSVP, please visit: mcccanada.ca/centennial-celebration.

Circles of Support and Accountability (CoSA) is a Restorative Justice community reintegration program of MCC Alberta. Through trained volunteers, CoSA helps create social networks for people who have been involved in the Criminal Justice System and are looking to make positive life changes. To apply to volunteer or for more information, contact Ken Grahlman at: 403-275-6935 or: kengrahlman@mccab.ca or visit: mccab.ca/cosa.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2020



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OCTOBER 11, 2020

ZOOM ONLY WORSHIP SERVICE ~ 11:00 AM

Thanksgiving Sunday

Welcome

Announcements

Lighting of the Candle

Call to Worship

Invocational Prayer

Hymn As saints of old (HWB #386)

Sharing #1 Lisa & Nathan Burgess

Scripture Colossians 3: 15 - 17

Sharing #2 Moni Janssen

Hymn Great is thy faithfulness (HWB #327)

Sharing #3 Betty & Rudy Janssen

Scripture Ephesians 5: 15 - 20

Sharing #4 Henry Dick

Hymn We plow the fields and scatter (HWB #96)

Sharing our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Hymn Sing to the Lord of harvest (HWB #98)

Benediction

Worship Leader: Jenn Ratzlaff

PRAISE & PRAYER NOTES

Gratitude! On this Thanksgiving Sunday, Canadian Mennonite University (CMU) expresses deep gratitude for the well-being and health of this bustling, in-person and virtual learning community. We are so grateful for safety, learning and growth during the first 6 weeks of classes. We're thankful for a broader church community that continues to undergird the mission of CMU to 'inspire and equip women and men for lives of service, leadership and reconciliation in church and society'. Thanks be to God.

Please continue to keep those in your prayers who are experiencing illness, those who are mourning the loss of a loved one, those with employment concerns, those who are in the front lines of caregiving, and those who are struggling with expectations, limitations, and restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

HERE AT FIRST MENNONITE

Our apologies for the sound and video quality of the Zoom Worship Service last Sunday. Council of Church Ministries will look into improving the internet service in the church building in an effort to improve the quality of future Zoom Worship Services.

The \$1400.00, raised by the 20 volunteers who participated in the Highway Clean up on September 19, has been designated to the Refugee Fund.

Due to COVID-19, Council of Church Ministries is exploring alternative options in place of our Annual Christmas Banquet & Silent Auction.

MENNONITE CHURCH ALBERTA ENGAGE SERIES

Join the North Edmonton Ministries and Camp Valaqua as they host a 6-week Zoom Conversation Series called *Engage*, focussing on how we can better engage with people of other faiths and backgrounds. Beginning this Wednesday, October 14, the conversations will look at creating an interactive space. Zoom meetings will run each Wednesday, beginning at 7:00 pm. For registration information, contact Jon Olfert at: valaqua@xplornet.com or: 403-637-2510.

DID YOU KNOW?

First Mennonite Church has a website at: calgaryfirstmennonite.ca You'll find Minutes from our Congregational Meetings, Council of Church Ministries meetings, bulletins, sermons, Annual Report Books, and much more!

First Mennonite Church also has a Facebook page that gets updated multiple times per week with stories from MCC, MCA, MC Canada, MDS, MEDA, MWC, CMU, AMBS, Camp Valaqua, and more! Check us out on Facebook at:

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