#### LOOKING AHEAD

Sun., Sept. 17	11:00 am	Sunday School Classes - Pre-Kindergarten to Adult Worship Service with Pastor Caleb Youth Event
Sun., Sept. 24	11:00 am	Sunday School Classes - Pre-Kindergarten to Adult Worship Service with Pastor Caleb Potluck celebrating Baby Shower and VBS Wrap Up
Sun., Oct. 1	11:00 am	Sunday School Classes - Pre-Kindergarten to Adult Worship Service with Jenn Ratzlaff Worship Team Meeting (lunch provided)

# BEYOND FIRST MENNONITE

Canadian Mennonite magazine is evolving. You can read about it in Tobi Thiessen's August 25 editorial. Help shape the next chapter by completing their survey. Go to:

#### surveymonkey.com/r/CM\_mag\_ideas

GO!100 finishes on September 15, so time is running out to sponsor Elsie and Nathan as they raise funds for the work of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC):

- Nathan Burgess' link: canadahelps.org/en/charities/mennonite-central-committee-alberta/p2p/go-100-2023/page/100km-of-trail-running/
- Elsie Wiebe: phone the MCC office at: 403-275-6935 or go to her link: canadahelps.org/en/charities/mennonite-central-committee-alberta/p2p/go-100-2023/page/elsies-passion-is-sewing-for-mcc/

MCC Alberta's Annual General Meeting (AGM) is on September 28 at 7:00 pm over Zoom. We will vote to accept proposed changes to the bylaws. To view the proposed changes and to register for the AGM, scroll to the bottom and click on Alberta at:

#### mcc.org

There are still 129 acres available to sponsor through MCC's Grow Hope campaign this year! Grow Hope crops will be donated to MCC's account at Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB) for use in projects that help people who don't have enough to eat. Through a special arrangement with the Government of Canada, through the CFGB, MCC can get matching funds at up to 4:1. To learn how you can help, go to:

#### mcc.org

Help us promote peace amid polarity with MCC Alberta's Live In Harmony T-Shirt Design Contest! The winner's t-shirt will be available at an upcoming conference. For more information, call the MCC Alberta office at:

403-275-6935

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# CALGARY FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023



"The Heir" by Hannah Garrity

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# SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 Worship Service ~ 11:00 am

#### Gathering

Hymn of Gathering We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer (VT #34)

Passing the Peace

Opening Words

Call to Worship

Prayer of Illumination

Sunday School Teacher Commissioning

Proclaiming

Hymn of Praise I Saw a Tree by the Riverside (VT #514)

Scripture Reading Genesis 18: 1 - 15 & 21: 1 - 7

Prayer of Confession

Children's Weaving Time

Hymn of Proclamation Give Us Laughter Unexpected (Insert)

Message Pastor Caleb

Responding

Time of Reflection

Congregational Response

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Sending

Benediction

Hymn of Sending God, Be the Love (VT #43)

### TEACHER COMMISSIONING PRAYER

Lord, we thank you for our teachers and pray that you fill them with insight, wisdom, energy and love as they teach your word this school year. Give their students ears to hear, hands to participate, and hearts open to you. Give the rest of us wisdom to know how we can help and encourage these teachers and learners. We commit ourselves, each to our part, to this joyful task. Amen

Worship Leader: Jenn Ratzlaff Accompanist: Elsie Wiebe



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.

# HERE AT FIRST MENNONITE

# Please contact the church office for the redacted information

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

We're celebrating the start of Sunday School classes today!

Pre-kindergarten - Grade 2

Grade 3 - Grade 6

Grade 7 - Grade 12

\*\*All Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12 students will meet in the church basement today for introductions and orientation\*\*

Adult Class

Adult Visio Divina (September 10 - November 26)