## **Looking Ahead**

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Wed., Oct. 16	9:30 am	Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup			
Fri., Oct. 18	6:30-9:00 pm	Youth Group here at First Mennonite Church			
Sat., Oct. 19	10:00 am - 2:00 pm	MCC Play Rehearsal here at First Mennonite Church			
Sun., Oct. 20	10:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Adult Sunday School in Pastor Caleb's office Sunday School Classes - Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12 Worship Service - Pastor Caleb			
Mon., Oct 21	6:00 pm	Fellowship Group at Jake & Elsie's home			
Wed., Oct. 23	9:30 am	Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup			
Sun., Oct. 27	10:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm	Adult Sunday School in Pastor Caleb's office Worship Band Rehearsal Worship Service - Jenn Ratzlaff Coffee Time			
Oct. 29 - 31		Pastor Caleb at the Pastors' Retreat at Camp Valaqua			
Wed., Oct. 30	9:30 am 6:30 pm	Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup Inclusive Social Gathering Group			

## Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)

Grow Hope Day at MCC Thrift Stores: On Wednesday, October 16, 10% of all sales from the MCC Thrift shop will support conservation agriculture projects through the Grow Hope program. Grow Hope brings Alberta farmers together in donor-sponsored growing projects. The proceeds from these projects support food security around the world. To learn more about Grow Hope, go to:

### mcc.org/growhopealberta

MCC will be hosting "In Tune 2024: The Soul's Cry for Home" on Saturday, October 26 at Ambrose University. Plenary and workshop sessions will explore migration and resettlement from different perspectives. For more information and to register, please visit:

### mcc.org/events/mcc-albertas-tune-conference

Following the "In Tune" conference, MCC presents "In Tune: An Evening of Storytelling" on Saturday, October 26 at 7:00 pm at Ambrose University. This evening of storytelling will feature the resettlement stories of Ruth Janz and Aliss Zarour, combined with the one act play, "Aleppo Cookies", a story of the tensions and blessings at the intersection of extending welcome and colliding cultures. Tickets are \$25, with dessert to follow, seating is limited. For more information, go to:

### mcc.org/events/eveningofstorytelling

Responding to the crisis in Lebanon and Gaza: Up to a million people in Lebanon have been displaced due to increasing military attacks, and the grave humanitarian crisis in Gaza continues. You can donate and provide relief today at:

#### mcc.org/palestine-israel



Sunday, October 13, 2024



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# October 13, 2024

## Thanksgiving Worship Service ~ 11:00 am

Prelude

Gathering

Hymn Come, Ye Thankful People (VT #123)

Passing the Peace

Opening Words

Call to Worship

**Invocational Prayer** 

Receiving

Scripture Reading Acts 27: 27 - 38

Hymn Now Thank We All Our God (VT #114)

Psalm Psalm 138

Hymn Sing to the God of Harvest (VT #122)

Children's Feature Jenn Ratzlaff

Scripture Reading Ephesians 5: 15 - 21

Message Pastor Caleb

Responding

Time of Reflection

Give Thanks by Henry Smart

Elsie Wiebe & Henry Bergen

Congregational Response

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Sending

News & Announcements

Benediction

Hymn God of the Fertile Fields (VT# 750)

Postlude

Worship Leader: Jenn Ratzlaff Accompanist: Elsie Wiebe

Your donations for the Calgary Foodbank will be collected by our Sunday School students during the Children's Feature

### Sunday School Classes ~ 10:00 am

Pre-kindergarten - Grade 1 (First & Third Sundays) Lower Sunday School Wing Grades 2 - 6 (First & Third Sundays) Upper Sunday School Wing Grades 7 - 12 (First & Third Sundays) Upper Sunday School Wing Worship Band Rehearsal (Second & Fourth Sundays) Sanctuary Adult Caleb's Office (Main Floor Sunday School Wing)

### First Mennonite Financial Summary as of September 30, 2024

Budget Line	Budget Amount (\$)	Actual Amount (\$)	% Complete
Operating Budget			
Income	\$273,900	\$186,320	68%
Transfers to Conferences	32,000	10,000	31%
Total Expenditures	273,900	183,720	67%
Net Income	0	2,600	
Capital Budget			
Income	5,000	3,750	75%
Total Expenditures	15,000	16,538	110%
All Other Funds			
Income	n/a	9,986	n/a
Total Expenditures	n/a	14,820	n/a

Amount of income needed by December 31 to meet our annual budget

\$87,580

## MennoMedia's Anabaptist Community Bible

Today is the last day to be included in the First Mennonite Church bulk order discount for the Anabaptist Community Bible. If you'd like to order your Bible, talk to Pastor Caleb today.

## Camp Valaqua

Camp Valaqua is accepting applications for our Site Manager position. The Site Manager is responsible for caring for our beautiful facilities, hosting rental groups, and working to create a place of welcome to that everyone who comes can experience God in Creation. The successful candidate will be an effective problem solver and independent worker with strong communication and time management skills. To apply, please send a resume and cover letter to:

office@campvalagua.com

If you have brought an offering today, please place it in the collection box, attached to the sound desk. If you would prefer to make your donation electronically, you can send your donations to Calgary First Mennonite Church via Interac e-Transfer to:

treasurer@calgaryfirstmennonite.ca