

Looking Ahead

Wed., Jan. 22	9:30 am	Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup
Fri., Jan. 24	6:30 pm	Joint Youth Event at Foothills Mennonite Church
Sun., Jan. 26	10:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm 1:00 pm	Worship Band Rehearsal Adult Sunday School in Pastor Caleb's office Worship Service with Communion - Pastor Caleb Coffee Time Family Service Opportunity - Baking (see announcement)
Tues., Jan. 28	3:30 pm	Church Administrator's office hours for today: 3:30 - 5:30 pm
Wed., Jan. 29	9:30 am 6:30 pm	Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup Inclusive Social Gathering Group
Fri., Jan. 31	6:30 pm	Joint Youth Event at First Mennonite Church
Sun., Feb. 2	10:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Sunday School classes - Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12 Baptism/Membership Information Session Pastor Caleb's office Worship Service - Pastor Caleb
Wed., Feb. 5	9:30 am	Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup
Fri., Feb. 7	6:30 pm	Joint Youth Event at First Mennonite Church
Sat., Feb. 8	9:30 am	First Mennonite Church Annual General Meeting (AGM)
Sun., Feb. 9	10:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 1:00 pm	Worship Band Rehearsal Adult Sunday School in Pastor Caleb's office Worship Service - Pastor Caleb Board Games Afternoon (see announcement)
Fri., Feb. 14	6:30 pm	Joint Youth Event at Foothills Mennonite Church

Beyond First Mennonite

Canadian Mennonite University (CMU): CMU's *Xplore* extended education program investigates dimensions of the Christian faith, our world, and life in it—all without assignments or exams! Join one or more in-person or online courses beginning February 18 in topics such as loneliness, Indigenous spirituality and Christian faith, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and more. For more information and to register, visit:

cmu.ca/xplore

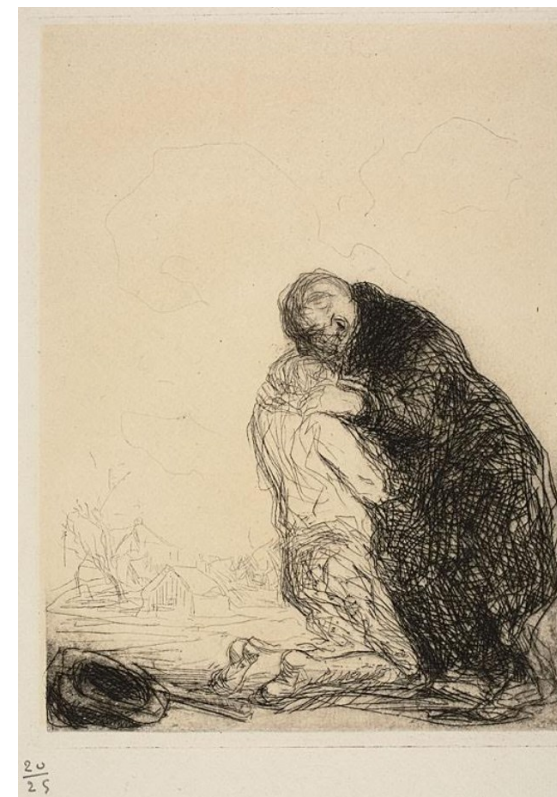
Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)

Serving and Learning Together (SALT): Are you 18-30 years old and looking for a chance to serve and go deep into a new culture as you follow Christ? Be an Albertan SALT'er in 2025-26! Serve for a year on another continent! No cost and applications are open online until February 15. For more information, go to:

mcc.org/get-involved/volunteer/salt



Sunday, January 19, 2025



"The Return of the Prodigal Son" by Jean Louis Forain

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January 19, 2025
Worship Service ~ 11:00 am

Prelude

Gathering

Hymn *Lord, I Am Fondly, Earnestly Longing* (VT #555)

Passing the Peace

Opening Words

Call to Worship

Invocational Prayer

Receiving

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 7: 8 - 11

Hymn *Create In Me a Clean Heart* (MM #55)

Psalm Psalm 51

Children's Feature Jenn Ratzlaff

Hymn *Spirit of God! Descend* (VT #557)

Scripture Reading Revelation 3: 14 - 22

Message Pastor Caleb

Responding

Time of Reflection

Intergenerational Ritual Repentance

Words of Assurance

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Sending

News & Announcements

Benediction

Hymn *Open My Eyes That I May See* (VT #738)

Postlude

Worship Leader: Sarai Emmanuel

Accompanist: Elsie Wiebe

If you have brought an offering today, please place it in the offering box on the sound desk. Or, you can send your donations to Calgary First Mennonite Church via Interac e-Transfer to:
treasurer@calgaryfirstmennonite.ca

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)

Here at First

The Church Administrator has regular office hours:
Tuesdays: 12:00 - 2:00 pm and Thursdays: 12:00 - 3:00 pm
It is a good idea to call the church office prior to your arrival
to ensure that the Church Administrator is on site:

403-249-8784

Pastor Caleb does not have regular office hours
and is available by appointment only by calling his cellphone:
403-991-8660

Have you been considering ways that you can serve in your church?
Congregational Life Ministry is looking for someone willing to volunteer
one Sunday per month as an usher.
If you are interested, please contact Karen for details.

Are you curious about membership or baptism at Calgary First Mennonite Church?
Pastor Caleb will be hosting an information session during the Sunday school hour
on Sunday, February 2 in his office all about membership and baptism.
All are welcome to come, ask questions, and gain information
about this process in our congregation.

Family Service Opportunity - Baking (January 26 - following Coffee Time)
Come one, come all, let's bake together! A service opportunity to include even our
youngest folks in baking some cookies to be donated to the groups that meet
mid-week in our church (Tot Group & Inclusive Social Group). If you plan to stay and
enjoy this time of service and fellowship, please bring a bag lunch and apron.
We will begin baking following Coffee Time. Though this event is aimed at families
with young children, all are welcome to stay and help!

Remember to mark your calendar to plan to attend the
First Mennonite Church Annual General Meeting (AGM)
on Saturday, February 8 at 9:30 am.

Board Games Afternoon - February 9 - 1:00 - 3:00 pm
This community event is a time for all ages to gather and fellowship together while
we play some board games. We have many games suitable for all ages,
but if you have a particular favourite, please feel free to bring it.
There will be snacks and Crokinole!