

Looking Ahead

Wed., Feb. 19	9:30 am	Drop-in Neighbourhood Playgroup
Feb. 21 - 23	----	Youth (grades 7–12) at Snow Camp at Camp Valaqua
Sun., Feb. 23	10:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm	Worship Band Rehearsal Adult Sunday School Worship Service with Communion - Pastor Caleb Coffee Time
Sun., March 16	10:30 am	Joint Worship Service at Foothills Mennonite Church *No Sunday School or Service here at First Mennonite Church
Sat., May 3	----	Annual Highway Clean-up Fundraiser
June 20-22	----	 First Mennonite Church Annual Retreat at Camp Valaqua

Beyond First Mennonite

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Night at Trinity Mennonite Church (32023 232 Avenue W., De Winton, AB., T1S 4A9). Join us on Tuesday, March 4 from 5:30 – 8:00 pm for an evening of delicious crepes (with toppings), farmer sausage and good conversation as we anticipate the season of Lent. Donations for the meal will be gratefully accepted. Farmer sausage will be available for purchase. Net proceeds will be donated to Narrow Road Home (NRH) in High River, a residential recovery program that offers a continuum of support and care for women struggling with domestic violence, abuse, and addictions. For more information, contact Trinity Mennonite Church:

office@calgarytmc.ca

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)

MCC's *Grow Hope Alberta 2024*: Thanks to our donors, 344 acres were sponsored to help cover the costs of the input supplies needed to grow crops. Together with donations and the sale of this year's crops, MCC raised \$238,953 that will be forwarded to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. With matching dollars from the Government of Canada up to 4:1, this could become nearly 1.2 million dollars in development and long-term food security for many people.

MCC's *The Great Winter Warm-up* is a way to give the gift of warmth through a comforter. Help us meet our goal of donating 7,000 comforters before March 31 and give the gift of warmth to those who need it the most. If you can't get your comforters in this month, don't worry – donations of comforters are gratefully accepted throughout the year. For more information, visit:

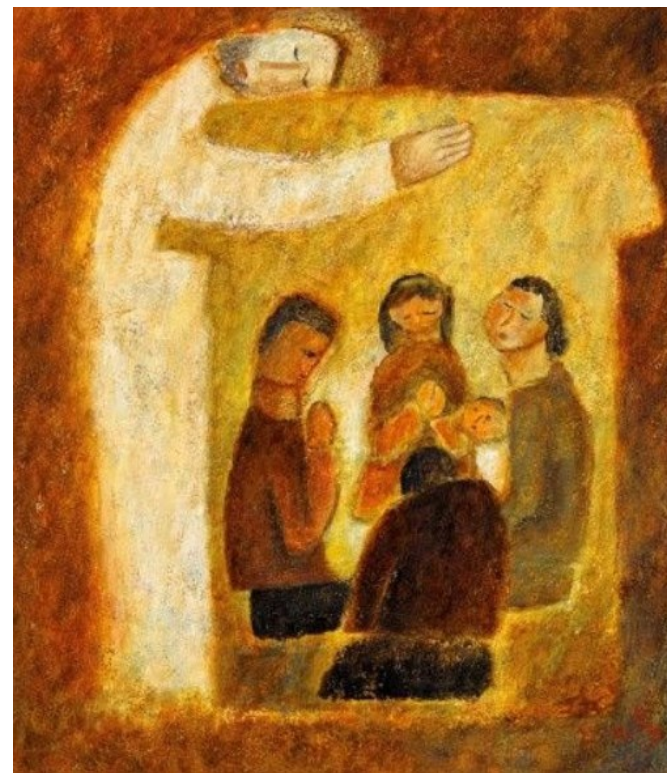
mcc.org/get-involved/fundraiser/great-winter-warm-up

The MCC Alberta Relief Sale is on May 31 at the Bergthal Event Centre. To donate an auction item, RSVP, and sign up to volunteer, go to:

mcc.org/events/albertareliefsale



Sunday, February 16, 2025



“People Praying” by Sister Kim Ok-soon

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 Pastor: Caleb Kowalko | pastor@calgaryfirstmennonite.ca

February 16, 2025
Worship Service ~ 11:00 am

Prelude

Gathering

Hymn *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues* (VT #78)

Passing the Peace

Opening Words

Call to Worship

Invocational Prayer

Receiving

Hymn *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (VT #419)

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 4: 1 - 6

Hymn *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* (VT #182)

Scripture Reading Psalm 145

Message "Incessant Praise"
Rev. Dr. Jean Morris

Responding

Time of Reflection

Congregational Response

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Sending

News and Announcements

Benediction

Hymn *As You go Out from Here* (VT #841)

Postlude

Worship Leader: Jenn Ratzlaff
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

Due to the Family Day Holiday, Sunday school classes for Pre-kindergarten to grade 12 are cancelled for today.

The Adult Sunday school class will meet at 10:00 am today, as usual, in Pastor Caleb's office at the end of the hall on the main floor of the Sunday school wing.

Praise & Prayer Notes

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Please pray for our brothers and sisters in Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) who are suffering a major humanitarian crisis as rebel fighters violently took over the city of Goma. Mennonite Church Canada partners with Peace Foundation-DRC in the nearby city of Bukavu, which is now under threat by the rebels. Peace Foundation-DRC seeks to promote peace and community development through peace-building workshops and children's programming. They serve in an area devastated by over 30 years of conflict and are desperately in need of peace.

Here at First

There will not be Sunday School classes or a Worship Service here at First Mennonite Church on Sunday, March 16. We are all encouraged to attend the Joint morning Worship Service at Foothills Mennonite Church starting at 10:30 am.

Mark your calendar to plan to attend the First Mennonite Church Annual Retreat at Camp Valaqua on the weekend of June 20-22.

The First Mennonite Church Directory is being updated. In the past year, have you changed any of contact information - email address or mailing address or your phone number? If you're not currently listed in the Church Directory, would you like to be? If you've answered yes to any of these questions, please let your church administrator know so that you can be listed correctly in the 2025 Church Directory:

info@calgaryfirstmennonite.ca
403-249-8784

Donation Receipts

Donation receipts for the 2024 tax year are ready. Most were sent by email on January 28. If you haven't received your receipt in your email Inbox, check your Junk or Spam folder. A few for whom we didn't have a valid email address were printed and put in the church mail slots. If you can't find your receipt, contact Wayne Janz at:

treasurer@calgaryfirstmennonite.ca