

*Welcome to the  
Bergthaler Mennonite Church  
of Altona*



*Sunday, November 22, 2020*

*Worship Service 10:30 a.m.*

**BERGTHALER MENNONITE CHURCH OF ALTONA**

**November 22, 2020**

**WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 am**

**Worship Leader:** Mark Tiessen-Dyck **Sermon:** Virginia Gerbrandt Richert  
**Music:** Recorded **Children's Story:** Josh Janzen

*“Look, I myself will be with you every day until the end of this present age”. ~ Matthew 28: 20b*

Our guiding scripture for today's time of worship: **Luke 24:13-25**

The sermon title: **“Along the road with Jesus”**.

The children's story video will be part of the worship service.

Our worship service will be available on the church website Sunday morning [[abchurchcommunity.ca](http://abchurchcommunity.ca)] at 10:30am.

Today is Memorial Sunday. We remember and honour people from our church community who have died in the past year.

*We Remember:*

*Elizabeth Friesen  
Katie Hamm  
Edgar Schellenberg  
Caroline Buhr  
Menno Funk  
David P. Wiebe  
Christina Penner  
Norman Buhr  
Esther Braun  
Dave Sawatzky  
Albert Hoffman  
Sadie Funk  
Mary Voth*

## **PRAYER & PRAISE CORNER**

- ~ **Hospitalized:** Anne Wiebe, Elizabeth Doell, Waldo Schulz and Anne Kehler at Altona Health Centre.
- ~ **Our love and sympathy** to John & Sharon Friesen, Elmer & Elaine Friesen, Bob & Marilyn Friesen, Carol & Ed Rempel, their families, and extended family, at the passing away of mother Helen Friesen of Altona.
- ~ **Our condolences** to Hugo & Helen Voth, family and extended family, at the passing away of their son in-law Jay Paull [Ramona] of Winnipeg.
- ~ **Congratulations** to new grandparents James & Laurie Enns. Christian James Enns was born November 16 to Cael & Brittani Enns of Brandon. A great grandson for Norma Enns, and Hilda Franz & Ben Dyck.
- ~ **This week our "Moment in Mission"** focuses on Angel Tree Christmas, a ministry of Prison Fellowship Canada. Angel Tree Christmas partners with incarcerated parents to help provide Christmas presents for their children. Through this ministry, we have opportunity to impact the lives of children and families. You can watch the video here:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YWFIFA2SzEU&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YWFIFA2SzEU&feature=emb_logo)
- ~ **Mennonite Church Canada**  
In a statement from the Colombian Mennonite Church on the massacres in communities and the assassinations of community leaders and former guerrillas, the church strongly calls the government, civic leaders and churches to work together to decrease violence and injustice in their society. There have been more than 60 mass killings so far this year. Adolescents, young people and small farmers are main victims. Pray for safety, wisdom and peace for the pastors, leaders and congregations of the Mennonite churches as they take this courageous stand for peace and justice.

## **WORSHIP CALENDAR:**

Nov 29 First Sunday of Advent & Communion  
Dec 6 Second Sunday of Advent

**Donations for the church** can be dropped off at Don and Grace Fehr's home at **85 Martin Crescent**. Place your donation in the designated box and then ring the doorbell. PLEASE NOTE THE NEW ADDRESS, and don't leave your donation at Don and Grace's old house.

## **Jr Youth**

- **Nov 24, 7pm** – Online Angel Tree Shopping.

## **Sr Youth**

- **Nov 27, 7pm** – Online Angel Tree Shopping.

## **CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **ABC is happy to** be joining together with *Prison Fellowship Ministries* and the **Angel Tree** program to purchase and deliver Christmas presents to children who have a parent in prison. This year, we have been given the names of 25 children to shop for. ABC's Junior and Senior Youth are excited to take the lead in purchasing and wrapping the presents! You can help by donating funds to purchase these gifts! You can drop your donations off at the church treasurer's house, 85 Martin Crescent. Donations are tax receiptable: if you donate by cheque, write it to Altona Bergthaler Mennonite Church, and designate Angel Tree in the memo line; if you donate cash, please include your name and phone number. For more information contact Josh at [joshj@abchurch.ca](mailto:joshj@abchurch.ca)
- **Josh & Stephanie** Janzen have a new home phone # 204-502-1991.
- **Our online Advent services** (Nov 29-Dec 20) will include interactive children's times. In preparation we would like to deliver supplies to each child in the coming week. If you would like to receive one of these deliveries, please let Kristin ([mkfalk05@gmail.com](mailto:mkfalk05@gmail.com)) or Amanda ([amandaw@abchurch.ca](mailto:amandaw@abchurch.ca)) know.
- **The pastors** are working from home during critical code red. You are welcome to be in touch by phone or email. Susan will be in the office so you are also welcome to call the church. The facility will be closed to visitors during the critical code red period.
- **Nov 23, 7pm – ABC Fall Meeting.** Via ZOOM. Refer to your email from the church for the ZOOM link.

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Assoc Pastor of Youth Min: Josh Janzen, 204-502-1991, cell 1-402-631-3481 [joshj@abchurch.ca](mailto:joshj@abchurch.ca)  
Children's Ministry Coordinator: Amanda Wiens, 324-6719 [amandaw@abchurch.ca](mailto:amandaw@abchurch.ca)

## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Dec 3, 3-7pm – Blood Donor Clinic** at Altona, Rhineland Pioneer Centre, Main Floor Hall 227 10<sup>th</sup> Ave NW. Please call 1-888-236-6238 for your appointment - NO WALK INS please.

**Mennonite Church Canada** – office@mennochurch.ca 888-6781

**Mennonite Church Manitoba** – mennochurch.mb.ca 204-896-1616

- Due to COVID restrictions, Camp Assiniboia is closed until further notice.

**Mennonite Central Committee Manitoba** – manitoba@mccmb.ca

- **Christmas** Giving guides, gift inserts and greeting cards are available – Call 204-261-6381 or manitoba@mccmb.ca.
- **Within** two weeks, two hurricanes have caused extensive flooding in Honduras, Guatemala and Nicaragua. Hurricanes Eta and Iota have destroyed crops and forced people from their homes. MCC is working with churches and community organizations to provide emergency food, hygiene supplies and cleanup support. Join us as we help. You can donate online at [mcccanada.ca/eta-iota-relief](http://mcccanada.ca/eta-iota-relief) or call 204-261-6381.
- **Give a gift:** Choose a goat, solar lanterns or a brood of chicks. Chickens provide eggs, meat and can boost income for families around the world. Purchase your gift at [mccmb.ca/Christmas](http://mccmb.ca/Christmas) or call 204-261-6381.

**Canadian Mennonite University** – cmu.ca

- **Nov 25, 6pm** - Prospective students, check out CMU **Webinar** focused on ***Athletics & Student Life***. Learn how participation on a varsity athletic team or involvement in diverse leadership opportunities can impact your learning, build new friendships and enrich your university experience. For more info and to register go to [www.cmu.ca/webinar](http://www.cmu.ca/webinar).
- **CMU** remains virtually open to all prospective students. Any student who applies by Nov 30 will have the \$80 application fee waived! Any student who applies by November 30 will have the \$80.00 application fee waived!
- **Virtual Campus Visit** Day is on Fri, Nov 27, 4–5pm. Register at [www.cmu.ca/virtualopenhouse](http://www.cmu.ca/virtualopenhouse). Sign up for an Individual Virtual Visit with an Admissions Counsellor @ [enrolment.cmu.ca/portal/virtual\\_visits](http://enrolment.cmu.ca/portal/virtual_visits).

**Mennonite Disaster Service**

- The November edition of *On the Level* is now available. Read why we are suspending projects due to COVID, how MDS volunteers are helping to save a Colorado forest, and an MDS volunteer and author offers a unique approach to support MDS. [Click on this link https://conta.cc/3nF6fIG](https://conta.cc/3nF6fIG)