

BERGTHALER MENNONITE CHURCH OF ALTONA
WORSHIP SERVICE

June 14, 2020

*Welcome to the
Bergthaler Mennonite Church
of Altona*

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Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." So, they pulled their boats up on the shore, left everything and followed him. Luke 5: 10b-11 (NIV)

Sermon/Scripture: Josh Janzen **Worship Leader:** Byron Loeppky

Music: Teresa, Erin, & Emilee Hamm

Children's Story: Delores Enns

Sound Techs: Jason Driedger, Gord Sawatzky

Our guiding scripture for today's time of worship: **Luke 5: 1-11.**

Our worship service will be posted to abchurch.libsyn.com [Audio]
abchurchcommunity.ca [Video] first thing Sunday morning.

Sermon Response: Sunday 11:00 AM via ZOOM.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87461810280>.



PRAYER & PRAISE CORNER

- ~ **Hospitalized:** Elsie Heide and Anne Kehler at Altona Health Centre and Waldo Schulz at Boundary Trails Health Centre.
- ~ **Let us** hold Agatha Kehler in our prayers as she prepares for knee replacement surgery this week. May God watch over the surgical team and calm any anxieties she may have.
- ~ **Mennonite Church Canada** – Evangelical Mennonite Church of Burkina Faso asks us to pray for the suffering caused by continued terrorist attacks. This past weekend there were again many killings. Pray for safety for the people and wisdom for the government. People are becoming angry because they see the government taking little action. Mennonite Church Canada works with Evangelical Mennonite Church of Burkina Faso through Africa Inter – Mennonite Mission.

Our 2020 High School Graduates:

Sam Friesen

Emilee Hamm

Amber Mintenko

Erin Schellenberg

From the Pastor – Amanda Wiens

Some days it seems far too easy to focus on the negative and these last few months as a parent it's been hard to continually relay the news to my kids that another summer activity that they were looking forward to is now not happening. There are days when I'm stuck in the grumpy mood rut that's so hard to get out of. I read recently that 21 days of making a daily list of 3 things you are grateful for will change a person's outlook from the grumpy rut to grateful and optimistic. It's a good thing for me that I find enjoyment and satisfaction in making lists of any kind, so here it goes . . .

My list of thanks and dreams:

- I am thankful for family time.
- I am hopeful that we will find new and fun things to do this summer.
- I am thankful that the school year is almost done and for the teachers who helped us through.
- I'm hopeful for a wonderful start to the 2020/21 school year in fall.
- I am thankful for Tuesday morning church Coffee Time.
- I am hopeful for a beautiful day so we can gather outside again next week.
- I am thankful for those who shared during last weeks service. It was a great reminder that God is where we are.
- I am thankful for the grade 3 students who were so willing to be a part of our Bible presentation videos.
- I am hopeful that their enthusiasm to learn about Jesus will continue to grow.
- I am thankful for our grads.
- I am hopeful that they will find ways to celebrate this milestone and that they know we are celebrating alongside them.
- I am thankful for the encouragement to try something new, like the children's videos.
- I am thankful for those who can help with the sound, video recording, editing and posting of our worship and children's videos.
- I am hopeful that we can worship together one day soon.
- I am thankful for each of the Sunday school teachers that said "yes" to teaching this past year and for all the work and love they put into each lesson and activity.
- I am thankful that each of these same teachers and leaders have found ways to stay connected to their class in the past few months.
- I am thankful for every student who came each week and for their parents who made the commitment and effort to bring them.
- I am hopeful that come September we can have the greatest most wonderful Sunday school kick off celebration ever!

Wishing you a wonderful summer! ~ Amanda

Sr & Jr YOUTH

- **No Youth Group this Sunday.**

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Pastor Virginia** is taking this weekend off. She will return to the office on Tuesday, June 16.
- **Next Sunday**, June 21, we kick off our summer with a 4-week sermon series on Abraham, an amazing man of faith. We will look at his call, conflicts and covenant with God. This will be a time to dig deeper into the story of who Abraham was and what his story can teach us about God and our call to faithfulness.
- **Summer book study** at church. In light of the recent events happening in the USA and Canada around race and racism I thought a Christian exploration on this topic would be appropriate. This is open to men and women and will meet at church. Please let Virginia know as soon as possible if you are interested so books can be ordered. The book is "*Trouble I've seen: Changing the way the Church views Racism*" by Drew Hart. Start date and meeting time will be determined by who signs up and when the books can arrive.
- **Tuesday 10am Coffee is back** - outside on the church grounds. This will be a physically distanced event and so you will need to bring your own lawn chair and coffee mug, coffee will be provided. If the weather is questionable, call the church office on Tuesday morning to see if coffee is still on.
- **The church continues** to operate and strives to meet its financial obligations. Please continue your giving by bringing your donation to the church between 9am and 3pm or mail it to the church: 117nd Street NW, Altona, MB R0G 0B1. Electronic Transfer is also available, to set this up call Don/Grace Fehr 324-5908.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mennonite Church Manitoba www.mennochurch.mb.ca 896-1616

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

- **June 14** - Members of Zoar Mennonite Church, Rosthern Junior College and Mennonite Church Saskatchewan have come together to offer a time of reflection and worship to God, with the focus on God's goodness toward humanity and our response. Together, we will visit Exodus 19:2-8 and Matthew 9:35-10:14 with Pastor Andrea Enns-Gooding. Visit: www.mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices

Canadian Mennonite University – www.cmu.ca

- **June 17, 7pm** - This year's Canadian School of Peacebuilding public lecture *The Myth of Religious Violence* by Dr. William Cavanaugh, Prof at DePaul University, will be delivered online. cmu.ca/events
- **CMU Golf Classic:** COVID Cup Edition, invites golfers anywhere to register a round of golf in support of CMU at a course and time they choose. Details at cmu.ca/golf .

Mennonite Central Committee Manitoba – Manitoba@mccmb.ca

- **Join *Grow Hope*** today and help provide food for vulnerable communities whose needs are more pronounced during COVID-19. Find 3 people to sponsor a 1/3 acre at \$100 and watch your donation grow! Learn more at mcccanada.ca/learn/more/grow-hope.
- **June 17, 6pm** – Join us for a Q&A webinar featuring Paul Shetler Fast, MCC's Global Health Coordinator, on how MCC is responding to COVID-19 in the developing world. Sign up for the webinar at mcccanada.ca/mcc-webinar-series.
- **Celebrate** the virtual grand opening of the MCC 100 Years Exhibit at the Mennonite Heritage Village Museum. This ticket-only event will take place online on **June 24 at 7:30pm**. Tickets are \$25 and are available by calling the MHV office at 204-326-9661. For more info visit mcccanada.ca/get-involved/events/mcc-100-years-exhibit.
- **June 25, 7-9pm** – MCC Annual General Meeting - Join us online to hear reporting on the work and growth of MCC Manitoba and learn about MCC's COVID-19 response. For more info visit mccmb.ca/agm.

Mennonite Disaster Service

Mennonite Collegiate Institute – info@mciblues.net 327-5891

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