

## **-BERGTHALER MENNONITE CHURCH of ALTONA-**

**Sunday, April 5, 2026, 10:30 am**

*Brothers and sisters, I want to call your attention to the good news that I preached to you, which you also received and in which you stand.*

*1 Corinthians 15:1*

### **-Easter Sunday-**

#### **Praising God**

Hymn Were You There (verse 6) VT 329

Call to Worship and Prayer

Hymn Low in the Grave He Lay VT 333

Offering I Am the Bread of Life VT 480

#### **Hearing God's Story**

Children's Story

Hymn Oh, How Great is Christ the Lord VT 351

Scripture 1 Corinthians 15:1-8, 12-14, 20-28

Sermon Headlines

#### **Living in Hope**

Hymn Christ the Lord is Risen Today VT 346

Congregational Prayer

Benediction

Hymn Thine is the Glory VT 480

**Sermon:** Mark Tiessen-Dyck

**Worship Leading:** Terrell Wiebe

**Children's Story:** Amanda Wiens

**Music:** Glenys Voth, Lorraine Hamm and volunteer music ensemble

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#### **Worship Calendar:**

**April 12: Speaker:** Moses Falco from Mennonite Disaster Service.

#### **Here are some upcoming dates to remember:**

**May 10:** Brunch Church

**May 24:** Pentecost

**June 14:** Church picnic

## **CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **- PRAYER AND PRAISE -**

#### **We wish a happy birthday and God's blessing to:**

Lori Driedger- April 5, Anne Friesen- April 8, Oliver Neufeld- April 8,

Milly Klassen- April 10, Shirley Schellenberg- April 10

**MCM:** As we walk with Jesus toward the cross this Good Friday, may we be mindful of the crosses borne by those around us and around the world—crosses of shame, of condemnation, of injustice, of oppression. As we walk with Jesus out from the tomb on Easter Sunday, may we be mindful of the ways in which God can turn shame into honour, condemnation into forgiveness, injustice into equity, and oppression into freedom—death in all its forms, turned into the fullness of life. Christ is risen! Hallelujah!

**International Witness:** Join siblings of faith from Cuba in prayer as they live in increasingly desperate conditions. Hear directly from BIC Cuba president Luis Hernandez prepared for the Mennonite World Conference Online Prayer Hour.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7oMn42ISIKs>

### **- THIS WEEK AT ABC -**

**Sun. Apr. 5, 9:15 am:** Easter breakfast in the basement

**Sun. Apr. 5, 10:30 am:** Worship service

**Tue. Apr. 7, 10:30 am:** Coffee with the church staff.

**Tue. Apr. 7, 7:00 - 9:00 - Senior Youth - Can I ask that?:** What does the Bible say about being gay?

**Wed. Apr. 8, 9:30 am:** Worship and Music meeting

**Wed. Apr. 8, 4 pm:** Hospital visitors and designated visitors gathering.

**Wed., Apr. 8, 7:00 - 8:30 - Junior Youth - Youth talk night and church wide hide and seek!**

**Thur. Apr. 9, 4 pm:** Personnel committee meeting

**Here's an update** from the Terrell Wiebe Pastoral Review Committee. Thanks for your response to our previously circulated survey. The comments have been reviewed by the committee, and a congregational proposal has been prepared. The next step is to share the review with the congregation and a formal congregational meeting (and vote) to follow. This has been scheduled for April 26th immediately following the morning church service. The Review Committee proposal,

and voting procedure (including advance voting options) will be included in the bulletin in the weeks leading up to the 26th

**As a congregation** we are exploring the idea of a Mennonite Disaster Service trip in 2027. For more information, see the "From the Pastor" in the March 22nd bulletin. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please speak with Terrell in the coming weeks.

**The pastors** would like to welcome conversation with anyone who is considering being baptized. Baptism is for those who confess their sins, accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, and commit to follow Christ as a member of his body, the church. If you are interested in pursuing baptism or simply have questions, please reach out to either pastor Mark or pastor Terrell.

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*There are posters on the foyer bulletin board for more information and additional community announcements.*

**MCC:** Help welcome a family from Gaza to Manitoba. A Palestinian family of six has arrived in Manitoba after fleeing the war in Gaza. Their eldest child needs complex medical care not available at home — but here, that care is possible. Your gift can help with housing, groceries, school support, language learning and more. Donate today at [mcc.org/gaza-family-initiative](http://mcc.org/gaza-family-initiative).

**Cottonwood Community Drama** will be presenting *The Carpenter* in Buhler Hall in Gretna on April 16 and 17 at 7:30 pm and with a matinee on April 18 at 2:30 pm. Set in a small New England town in the 1940s, *The Carpenter* tells the story of Jeff Masters, a quiet carpenter who arrives seeking work and a place to stay. His kindness and integrity begin to challenge the fears and prejudices of the townspeople, leading them to reconsider their attitudes toward outsiders. Told as an allegory with clear parallels to biblical stories, this faith-based drama explores what it truly means to humbly live out one's faith.

**Faith and Life Choirs Spring Concerts.** May 2, 7:00pm - Bethel Mennonite Church, Winnipeg. May 3, 3:00pm - Morden Mennonite Church, Morden. Freewill offering.

This Easter season, let's remember in prayer the individuals from our church family who are living in personal care homes and assisted living residences and are not able to regularly join us in worship.

#### **GARDENS ON TENTH MANOR:**

Dave Wiebe  
Trudy Enns  
Mary Dyck  
Edna Klippenstein

#### **GARDENS ON TENTH APARTMENTS:**

Ken Penner  
Susan Dueck

#### **SALEM:**

Helen Thiessen  
Shirley Schellenberg

#### **LINDENWOOD TERRACE (Winnipeg):**

Gert Kehler

#### **NOTRE DAME:**

Sally Funk

#### **EASTVIEW:**

Tina Braun  
Gladys Hildebrand  
Agatha Kehler  
Alvin Kehler  
Anne Kehler  
Hilda Klassen  
Katie Krahn  
Nettie Neufeld  
Carol Sawatzky  
Helen Schulz  
Anita Braun  
Henry Klassen  
Gert Hildebrand  
Betty Heinrichs

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