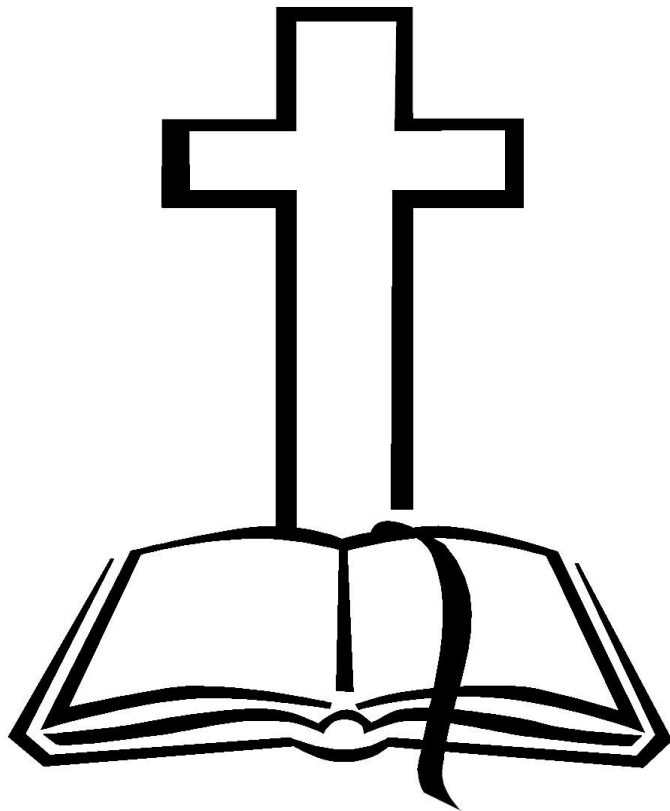


Welcome to the
Bergthaler Mennonite
Church of Altona



Sunday, June 4, 2023
Worship service 10:30

"So this is the end of the matter; all has been heard. Worship God and keep God's commandments because this is what everyone must do."
Ecclesiastes 12:13 (CEB)

Gathering and Praise

Welcome and Announcements

Music Praise the Lord Sing Hallelujah HWB 50

Call to Worship and Prayer

Music Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise VT 98

Offering

Hearing God's Word

Children's Story

Scripture Ecclesiastes 6:10-12, 11:5, 12:11-14

Sermon Ecclesiastes: A Diamond in the Rough

Responding in Trust

Music Come Gracious Spirit VT 371

Prayer of the Church and World

Benediction

Music The Love of God VT 162

Sermon: Virginia Gerbrandt Richert
Worship Leading: Mary Anne Loeppky
Music: Tena Giesbrecht
Children's Story: Kristin Falk

PRAYER & PRAISE CORNER

Hospitalized: Helen Voth and Wendy Friesen at the Altona Health Centre.

Linda Braun from our congregation passed away on Saturday May 27. We are invited to join in gratitude for her life and pray for her daughter and son-in-law Gail and Tom Braun and extended families. A private family funeral was held.

International Witness: Mennonite Church Canada's International Witness ministry is launching a fundraising campaign to complete the construction of the Malipayon Peace Hub in Mindanao, Philippines. The project includes a new peace and reconciliation training centre for Peacebuilders Community Inc (PBCI), an upgraded processing and farmer training centre for Coffee for Peace (CFP), a new staff house and guest house, and a delivery vehicle. The aim is to raise CDN\$235,000 by March 2024.

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

Rod Heinrich June 6

Virginia Gerbrandt Richert June 9

WORSHIP CALENDAR

We are in the midst of a sermon series called "Living Well, Living Wise" based on the Bible's Wisdom Literature.

May 14. Speaker: Mark. Proverbs: "The search for knowledge" part 1.

May 21. Speaker: Mark. Proverbs: "The search for knowledge" part 2.

May 28. Speaker: Virginia. Pentecost celebration with Communion.

June 4. Speaker: Virginia. Ecclesiastes: "The search for meaning" part 1

June 11. Church picnic & POTLUCK. Sharing about beauty

June 18. Speaker: Mark. Ecclesiastes: "The search for Meaning" part 2

June 25. Speaker: Terrell. Job: "The search for justice" part 1

July 2. Speaker: Virginia. Job: "The search for justice" part

THE ABC PICNIC!!

SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023 at 10:30 am



*** There will be no Sunday School this morning ***

Location: ABC church ground. Worship service, lunch and activities will be held on the green space south of the main church building. If it is raining the picnic will be held inside the church.

→Following the service everyone is invited to stay for a **picnic lunch**. **Hot dogs** will be provided.

→Each family is asked to bring a **generous salad** or **dessert** to share and **their own beverages**.

→Remember to bring your **lawn chair, lunch supplies including dishes**.

→Donations will be accepted to help cover the cost of the meal.

→At 1 pm Sunday School picnic games will begin as well as **lawn games for all ages**. Everyone is welcome to stay, play, cheer and visit!

→If games are not your thing feel free to stick around, visit and hopefully soak up the sun!



THIS WEEK AT ABC

Sunday, June 4, Sunday School for ages 3-18 from 9:15-10:15 am in the basement of the education wing, youth are in the south wing.

Tuesday, June 6, Personnel meeting 7 pm.

Wednesday June 7, Worship and music meeting at 1 pm.

Wednesday 7-9, Youth (gr 7-12) We are doing all of Terrell's favourites. Favourite activities, favourite snacks, favourite bible story, favourite trivia, etc. See you there!

Friday June 9, Personnel and staff barbeque.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Mark is taking the weekend off. He will be back in the office on Tuesday June 6.

Pastor Terrell is speaking at MCI's Saengerfest.

This morning Hilda Franz and Joyce Falk are serving at Eastview and Gardens on Tenth apartments on behalf of ABC.

Tuesday lunch sermon discussions will be taking a pause for the summer months. You are always welcome to drop in for coffee with the staff at 10:30.

A BIG thank you from MCC Grow Hope! Thank you to the **children who help with the coin offering every Sunday** and all the **adults who remember to bring their coins to church**. We have donated over \$1600 from our church since January and have covered the cost of 4.5 acres.

A huge thanks this week to Pastor Terrell and our ABC Youth, who joined Elmer Friesen and John Martens to shovel and spread landscaping stone onto the dirt border around the Education Wing. We have it on good authority that they also made short work of the pizza following the shovel workout too. Thanks again from Finance and Maintenance and your church family!

Rejoice renewals are due! The price for next year is \$50.81/person. Please let Ang know by **Wednesday June 14**.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Be outside with MCC! Grab your clubs or your bike and support MCC programs around the world. You can join us for **Cycle Clear Lake on July 1** on a 34km trail in Riding Mountain National Park, and swap cycling stories at the BBQ. Or be a part of the **20th MCC Golf Tournament on July 6** at Bridges Golf Course, with games, prizes, and food included. Visit mccmb.ca/events for full information and register today!

Health Officers are needed to keep camp open! Doctors, nurses, paramedics... we need you. Camp Assiniboia: July 9-14, Aug 7-12, 13-18; Camp Koinonia: June 12-16, July 9-14, 23-28, July 30-Aug 4, 20-26. Please contact the office at camps@mennochurch.mb.ca or 204-895-2267, or apply online at www.campswithmeaning.org/staff.

MCI: Register today for **MCI's 9th Annual Golf Classic!** Join us for a fun day of golf on June 10th at Minnewasta Golf & Country Club, with a shotgun start at 1pm. Registration is \$150 per player, with a \$35 donation. Visit www.mciblues.net for more details. Register online by emailing info@mciblues.net or calling 204.327.5891. Can't join us in person for **MCI's Saengerfest: Sing Unto the Lord** on Sunday, June 4th? Join us remotely! The 10:30 am worship service and the 2:00 pm concert will be live streamed, available by visiting our YouTube channel (search for Mennonite Collegiate Institute on YouTube). Live stream for Worship Service:

<https://youtube.com/live/HHuPsDpYpyc>

Live stream for concert:

<https://youtube.com/live/GK4z0YWT0vU>

Alzheimer's fundraising event on Wednesday, June 7th Starting at the Gardens on Tenth in Altona (140 10th Av NE). 9:30 am: Walker registration, 10:00 am: program, 10:30 am: Walk. BBQ lunch following the walk. Donations welcome!

Blood Donor Clinic: Thursday, June 15 at the Altona Rhineland Pioneer Centre. The donor centre hours are: 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Please register your appointment at: Blood.ca

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