This Week at MRMC

Monday Gym Rental

OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday 7-8 pm AA Meeting (Host: Bryan)

Saturday 8-8 pm Gym Rental

3-7 pm JRAM in Sanctuary

Sunday 10:00 am Worship Service

12:00 pm JRAM service 6:00 pm Gym Rental

Prayer

God, give us patience as we wait. When you call us out of our ordinary lives to be part of your extraordinary story of love, give us the courage Mary had to say, "Yes. Jesus, we welcome you in this world." In Jesus' name, amen.

Today's Service

Worship Leader: Evan B Song Leader: Rita H Pianist: Verna O PowerPoint: Darrell B Sound: Travis W Video: Gord S

Welcome to Mount Royal Mennonite Church

Learning to live - through relationships with Jesus, our neighbours and each other

Worship Service 9:45 am

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	Fourth Sunday of Advent	
Carol Singing	Joy to the World (V 1 & 2) O Little Town of Bethlehem Helpless and Hungry	VT #240 VT #245 VT #268
Land Acknowledger Announcements Silence		V 1 π200
GATHERING Call to Worship Gathering Song Advent Reading #1 Offertory Prayer	Angels, We Have Heard on High Matthew 1: 18-23	VT #249 Crowe family
HEARING Drama Story for all Ages	"Why me?"- "Why not me?"	Jo-Anne N
Advent Candle Ligh We Sing	ting <i>Gloria</i>	VT #94
Advent Reading #2 Sermon	Luke 2: 8-20 Ordinary Time?	Don F
SHARING		
Hymn of Response Peace Lamp	What Child is this	VT #267
Sharing our joys and Sharing our prayers	concerns	
SENDING		
Sending song Blessing	He came down	VT #239
	gether we ponder. on: We're so ordinary. Will God red ,	ally work
9	not be afraid! Nothing is impossible v	with God. Go, for

the might one has done extraordinary things, and holy is God's

Postlude

name!

Joys & Concerns

- Present Concerns: Elsie K. E, Eric and Doris Q
- Continued Prayer Support: Marg W, Evelyn S, Maureen G, Anne K
- Families of the week: Aaron B, Len A, Dave and Carol W
- Our offering last week was, \$4,025, received with joy and thanksgiving for all that God is doing here and in our community.
- Yara Marie Huebert Landauro was born to Curt and Eliana Huebert in Halifax on December 13, 2023. This 6lb 12 oz beauty is bringing great joy and little sleep to their home. Curt is the son of **Dennis and Judy H**.
- Prayer Requests from the Shekinah Board of Directors:

We give thanks that \$18 000 has already been donated to meet our \$40 000 CEBA loan payment. Meeting this loan commitment by mid-January greatly reduces our future financing costs. We have been promised another donation of \$10 000 if we are able to raise the remaining \$12 000. (New)

We ask for your continued prayers as we continue to search for a permanent Executive Director. We are thankful that Amy Peters will continue as interim director until the end of January. Audrey Kampen will take on the interim role at that time.

MRMC Notes and Events

- a) There will be a candlelight service this evening starting at 7:00 pm.
- b) We are looking for volunteers to help with youth events. If you are interested, please contact Evan Bueckert.
- c) Saturday January 20th MRMC is once again serving at the Friendship Inn. The day begins at 7:00am with preparation for breakfast and usually finishes by 2pm with lunch clean up. We will be prepping and serving breakfast and lunch along with duties as assigned. If you are interested in serving our community, please reach out to either Cheryl (wcfunk1@sasktel.net) or call Wilf at 306-203-3542...or let us know next time you see us. Thank you.

Conference and Community Events

- 1) The Youth Farm Bible Camp is inviting you to a Drive Through event this Christmas season. Get tickets online at www.youthfarmcornmaze.com Lights, hand painted billboards, Bethlehem town, and much more. Check out when we are open online. You can also purchase tickets at the gate when you arrive. They are \$22 online or \$25 at the gate.
- 2) MCC Connects: Warm up for the winter and help support MCC's relief, development and peace work by participating in our quilt sale- now at 50% off! Each of these beautiful quilts have been sewn by generous donors and you can explore the collection of quilts at this link: http://www.mccskquiltsale.com
- 3) **This Season of Gi**ving, a portion of your donations are going to support the work of MC Canada. We send over \$8,000 each month to MC Canada for their work, which includes International Witness, Indigenous Relations, Climate Action and CommonWord. Donate at https://mcsask.ca/giving
- 4) MCC Connects: Looking for ways to be creative this holiday season? MCC Thrift has put together a free resource called 12 Days of Christmas Crafting. Visit this link for twelve crafts that you and your loved ones can create together:

 https://mccthrift.com/christmas-crafting
- 5) Jan 11- March 28: Staying on your Feet: Do you want to learn ways to help improve your balance and reduce your risk of falling? Join us on Thursdays, Jan 11-March 28 from 9:30- 10:30 am. Poster with more info and sign-up sheet are on the bulletin board by Don's office.