

<u>This Week at MRMC</u>		
Wednesday	7-8 pm	AA Meeting in Mezzanine
	7-8 pm	Romans Bible Study via Zoom
Thursday	9:30 am	Forever in Motion in the Gym
	10:30am	BB+
Friday	6:30 pm	Youth
Saturday		Private Rental of sanctuary
Sunday	10:00 am	Worship Service with communion

Thought for the week

'We live in a society that wants to sort out and divide and alienate. Creating hostility is a big industry....The news is that we belong. We belong to each other because compassion has been shown to us. We belong to each other. We can trust in that.'

[Walter Brueggemann]

Office Hours

Garth: Monday 8:30-3

Claire: Tuesday 8:30 -3

Garth and Claire: Wednesday and Thursday 8:30-3

Garth and Claire: Friday 8:30- 12:30

Today's Service

Worship Leader: Len A

Song Leader: Grace P

Pianist: Val R

Prelude: Esther C

Video: Darrell B

Welcome to Mount Royal Mennonite Church

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

Worship Service 10:00 am

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Prelude
Announcements
Silence

Not Ashamed of the Gospel

We Gather

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Gathering songs

Blessed Saviour, we adore thee

HWB #107

I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus

HWB #564

Psalm 4

Jack and Sawyer

Offering

We Listen

Story for all ages

Mark H

We Sing

Sing a new church

Scripture

Romans 12.14-13.2, 5-7

Sermon

'Our only debt is love'

Claire E F

Hymn of Response

One is the body

StJ #72

We Respond

Peace Lamp

Sharing our joys and concerns

Sharing our prayers

We are Sent

Sending song

Put peace into each other's hands

StJ #87

Sending words

Go now in peace to love and serve the Lord

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Postlude

Joys & Concerns

- **Pray for:** *Kelly and Pam J, Nettie and Roy W, Marg W, Edwine L, Maureen G*
- **Families of the week:** *Henry and Ella F, Gord and Marianne S, Nola S*
- Our offering last Sunday was \$2,505, received with joy and thanksgiving for all that God is doing here and in our community
- Please pray for Wildwood Mennonite Church and their pastors Joe Heikman and Eileen Klaassen, as they begin in-person worship services while continuing on-line, and discern how best to meet the pastoral needs of the people at this time.

MRMC Coming Events and Notes

- On **September 20**, Garth and Claire are beginning a sermon series on the book of Romans- backwards! If you are interested in mid-week conversations about the text and sermon ideas, please let Claire or Garth know. Mid-week Zoom meetings will replace Sunday morning Adult Education.
- **October 4, 2020** we will celebrate World Communion Day and Thanksgiving here at Mount Royal. This year's guest speakers George and Tobia Veith will be coming to us via video from Harbin, China. Come and hear what God is up to in China during this time of pandemic.
- Refugee Co-Sponsor Update: The refugee family which we are co-sponsoring with the Langham Community is nearing the end of the period for which we are responsible. Exciting news: our family is expecting a new baby! Basic support and a number of additional costs have been covered by the Langham group throughout the past year. But now the family must find a new home and again requires some extra support. MRMC is happy to help out by using money from our Refugee Fund together with a designated donation.

Conference and Community Events

- a) **September 27 @ 2:00pm: RJC Opening Program** Help RJC start off the school year by joining us virtually for our opening program. The event will feature music, reflections from RJC parents & students, and an invitation for your ongoing support for the school year. Information on how to watch the event can be found at rjc.sk.ca.
- b) **September 29 7:30 pm: Doctrine of Discovery: Honouring our Connections to the Land Webinar** For the past four years, playwright Alison Casella Brookins and actors Michelle Milne and Ted Swartz have travelled across North America, raising awareness about the Doctrine of Discovery (the legal fiction used to dispossess Indigenous peoples of their lands) through their drama, "We Own This Now." Join us for a webinar conversation to learn more about the Doctrine of Discovery, how it impacts us today, and how we might join others in the struggle to dismantle

it. Please register in advance

at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_E1HWLBT6StCH9-Xnc77z8A Sponsored by Mennonite Church BC Indigenous Relations Group.

- c) **Canada at a Crossroads – join our online book club this fall!** What are the things that separate and unite Indigenous and settler peoples? What can we do to challenge structural racism and repair the broken relationship? Join Indigenous-Settler Relations director Steve Heinrichs for an online book club this fall, exploring the new book, *Canada at a Crossroads* by sociologist Jeff Denis. Beginning October 7, 2020, we'll gather by Zoom each Thursday @ 7 PM (for 8 weeks) for a circle conversation, sharing with each other our questions and learnings, our hearts and hopes. Together, we'll seek to understand how we might nurture Treaty friendships. Please email Steve if you'd like to join: sheinrichs@mennonitechurch.ca. Find the book at <https://utorontopress.com/ca/canada-at-a-crossroads-4>.
- d) **Mennonite Church Eastern Canada is hosting an Online Story-Telling Series called Treaty as Sacred Covenant.** This series is centered on covenants made, broken and renewed. Both Indigenous and Mennonite Settler voices will shine light on the history of broken covenants and illuminate pathways of hope to a more just future for all nations on this land. To learn more and register go to <https://mcec.ca/programs/truth-and-reconciliation> Following the completion of the story telling from Ontario, **Walking the Path**, an ad hoc group of **MCSask's Ministries Commission** will facilitate a conversation based on the documentary prepared by Tasha Hubbard on the Colten Boushie/Gerald Stanley story. Details to follow.
- e) **RJC Employment Opportunities:** RJC High School is currently hiring for a number of full and part-time positions: Teaching Staff, Kitchen & Dining Hall Staff, and Custodial & Maintenance Staff. Please contact Ryan Wood, Principal (ryan@rjc.sk.ca) for more information about these positions or call (306) 232-4222.
- f) The MCC Blanket-making group at First Mennonite Church is looking for those who would like to participate in tying blankets with them. We welcome volunteers on Wednesdays, anytime between 9:00 am and 1:30. Use the west door (if it is locked, ring the buzzer). For inquiries, phone Melita at 306 652-8564.

Blessed Saviour, we adore thee

1. Blessed Saviour, we adore thee, we thy love and grace proclaim.
Thou art mighty, thou art holy, glorious is thy matchless name!

Refrain

Glorious, glorious, glorious is thy name, O Lord!

2. Great Redeemer, Lord and Master, Light of all eternal days,
let the saints of ev'ry nation sing thy just and endless praise!

Refrain

Glorious, glorious, glorious is thy name, O Lord!

3. From the throne of heaven's glory to the cross of sin and shame,
thou didst come to die a ransom, guilty sinners to reclaim!

Refrain

Glorious, glorious, glorious is thy name, O Lord!

4. Come, O come, immortal Saviour, come and take thy royal throne.
Come, and reign, and reign forever, be the kingdom all thine own!

Refrain

Glorious, glorious, glorious is thy name, O Lord!

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I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus

1. I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus, I am trusting only thee;
trusting thee for full salvation, full salvation great and free.

Refrain

I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus, my redeemer and my God.
I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus, to sustain me by thy word.

2. I am trusting thee for pardon; humbly at thy feet I bow,
for thy grace and tender mercy, for thy peace I trust thee now.

Refrain

I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus, my redeemer and my God.
I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus, to sustain me by thy word.

3. I am trusting thee for cleansing, spotless in the crimson flood;
trusting thee to make me holy by thine own life-giving blood.

Refrain

I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus, my redeemer and my God.
I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus, to sustain me by thy word.

4. I am trusting thee to guide me; gently thou alone dost lead,
every day and hour supplying graciously my every need.

Refrain

I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus, my redeemer and my God.
I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus, to sustain me by thy word.

Text: adapted from Frances R. Havergal, 1974, *Loyal Responses*, 1878

Music: Julius Dietrich, *Gemeinschaftliederbuch Offenbach*, 1894

Sing a New Church

1. Summoned by the God who made us
Rich in our diversity,
Gathered in the name of Jesus,
Richer still in unity:

Refrain

Let us bring the gifts that differ
And, in splendid, varied ways,
Sing a new church into being,
One in faith and love and praise.

4. Bring the hopes of ev'ry nation;
Bring the art of ev'ry race.
Weave a song of peace and justice;
Let it sound through time and space.

Refrain

Let us bring the gifts that differ
And, in splendid, varied ways,

Sing a new church into being,
One in faith and love and praise.

5. Draw together at one table
All the human family;
Shape a circle ever wider
And a people ever free.

Refrain
Let us bring the gifts that differ
And, in splendid, varied ways,
Sing a new church into being,
One in faith and love and praise.

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One is the body

One is the body and one is the Head,
one is the Spirit by whom we are led;
one God and Father, one faith and one call for all.

Christ who ascended to heaven above
is the same Jesus whose nature is love.
who once descended to bring to this earth new birth.

Gifts have been given well suited to each,
some to be prophets, to pastor or preach,
some, through the gospel, to challenge, convert and teach.

Called to his service are women and men
so that his body might ever again
witness through worship, through deed and through word
to Christ our Lord.

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Put peace into each other's hands

Put peace into each other's hands and like a treasure hold it,
protect it like a candle flame, with tenderness enfold it.

Put peace into each other's hands with loving expectation;
be gentle in your words and ways in touch with God's creation.

Put peace into each other's hands like bread we break for sharing;
look people warmly in the eye; our life is meant for caring.

As at communion, shape your hands into a waiting cradle;
the gift of Christ receive, revere, united round the table.

Put Christ into each other's hands, he is love's deepest measure;
in love make peace, give peace a chance, and share it like a treasure.

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