

Genesis 17:1-10, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous."

Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. And I will give to you, and to your offspring after you, the land where you are now an alien, all the land of Canaan, for a perpetual holding; and I will be their God."

God said to Abraham, "As for you, you shall keep my covenant, you and your offspring after you throughout their generations. This is my covenant, which you shall keep, between me and you and your offspring after you: Every male among you shall be circumcised.

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION:

- **MCC Alumni Event** - Let us say thanks for your service, and connect with other alumni! Come out on Sun., Sept. 14 to MCC's annual alumni BBQ. CMU South Campus at 5:00 pm. Featuring guest speaker Dasha Zozulia, former MCC Project Coordinator in Ukraine. Bring your lawn chair!
- **Sam's Place Film Night** – Mon., Sept. 15 at 7:00 pm - *Wadjda*, the award-winning story of a girl in Riyadh who dreams of owning a green bicycle, something frowned upon for girls.

Variety writes: "With enormous sympathy for all, al Mansour captures the isolation of Saudi women and their parallel lives of freedom at home and invisibility outside."

- **The Mennonite Heritage Centre Gallery** presents "**Identity: 3 Artists**". Come and see the art of 3 women from Chile, Argentina, and Columbia, Sept. 19 to Nov. 22.
- **Peace event** - What is an Anabaptist approach to advocacy and witness to government? Come participate in a conversation with MCC Ottawa Office director Jenn Wiebe at Sam's Place on Thurs., Sept. 18 at 7:30 pm. Contact Steve Plenert for further details at steveplenert@mennonitecc.ca.
- **Fall Festival at CMU** – Sept. 26-27, 2014. Come celebrate with us during CMU's annual Fall Festival! With something for everyone – students, alumni, friends, donors, and community members – Fall Festival is a high energy weekend that features opportunities to connect, learn, play, and celebrate with the CMU Community.
- **SBC** invites you to attend their **Fall Fundraising Faspa**, Sun., Oct. 5, 4:00 pm at SBC, featuring an old-fashioned Saengerfest. Funds raised will help cover costs incurred after damage to our men's dorm in the recent rainstorm. Free tickets can be reserved by calling SBC at [204-326-6451](tel:204-326-6451).

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ABERDEEN MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday, September 14, 2014



Welcome to Aberdeen!

Weekly Worship at 10:00 a.m.

**Our worship is a response
to God's call to repentance and faith.
Seeking to live in harmony with God's will,
we extend our service and
witness in the name of Jesus Christ.
60 years in North End Winnipeg**

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Covenant: A living, breathing thing.

Gathering

Prelude

Congregational Song HWB 327 Great is Thy faithfulness

Welcome/Focus statement

Congregational Song STJ 27 God of the Bible

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Confessing

Prayer of Confession HWB 703

Congregational Song STJ 47 O Lord have mercy

Words of Assurance

Passing the Peace

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading Genesis 17:1-15-16, Jeremiah 31:33

Sermon Sunnie

Congregational Song Theme Song - HWB 163 Obey my voice

What Covenant Means to Me – Holly

Responding

Congregational Song HWB 483 O God who gives us life

Commissioning of New Roles in the Church

Congregational Sharing/Thoughts on the Theme

Communal Prayer

Offering Adrianna

Announcements

Congregational Song STJ 78 We will walk with God

Words of Blessing

Worship Leader: Joan

Song Leader: Mo

Pianist: Esther

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- **Aberdeen Food Bank** - meets next on Sept. 20 and Oct. 4.
- **Today** – Commissioning Service and Sunday School beginning for all ages.
- **Monday, Oct. 13** – Thanksgiving Dinner



Birthdays This Week: Jim Sept. 16

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Food Pantry shelves are running low and could use canned goods, coffee/tea, and pasta/rice. We have lots of peanut butter. Thank you to our new volunteers Kate and Brad.

WORSHIP AND ED COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

- *The new worship space and chairs seems to be working well for us though the congregation would like to sit in a semi-circle for better hearing.*
- *Some of the HWB's need to be repaired and we need to order more STJ/STS.*
- *For November Adult Sunday School we will invite our Trinity Place groups to share about their ministries. (Secret Place, FNFWC - Aboriginal Fellowship, Trinity Lutheran Food Pantry, and Healthy Start.)*

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray for our refugee candidates Humam and Sabreen in Turkey. She is ill, they have limited food, and they feel very isolated.



Coffee for next week Sept. 21 Murray and Marg
Upcoming Coffee for Sept. 28 Heather and Bev

Call to Worship

Leader: Our God, we gather to worship you, the One who creates all things.

People: For the gift of creation, we give thanks.

Leader: We gather to worship you, the One committed to us through a love that never ends.

People: For the gift of reconciliation, we give thanks.

Leader: We gather to worship you, the One who continually seeks us by the Spirit.

People: For the gift of your presence, we give thanks.

Leader: We bring to you the offerings of our commitment—thanks, praise, and awe are our gifts of love.

ALL: We gather to worship you, Trinity of love: God above us, God beside us, God beneath us; the Beginning, the End, the Everlasting One. Amen.

Covenant & Commitment Worship Series

Today - Covenant: A living, breathing thing (An Overview)

Sept. 21 - Claiming Christ, loving all: Christian commitment in a pluralistic world

Sept. 28 - Covenants that are broken: Broken commitment, vision renewed

Oct. 5 - The weight of discipleship: An Anabaptist-Mennonite view