

BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION

- **April 29, 30, and May 1, 7:30 pm at the Park Theater** -Trevor Olfert and the Open Sky Orchestra Cancer Benefit Concert. (Tanner will be part of the orchestra.) Tickets available at <http://www.questmusique.com/ticketquest/>.
- **Westgate Musical, The Music Man – April 30, May 1-2, 7:30 pm**, Tec Voc Theatre.
- **Evening with Jamie Arpin-Ricci**, author of *Vulnerable Faith: Missional Living in the Radical Way of St. Patrick*, **Thursday, May 7, 7 pm**, CommonWord Bookstore, CMU. How can we embrace a life of vulnerable faith? Come engage in the conversation.
- **Walkathon** - Come to **MCC Manitoba’s Annual Walkathon on May 23** in support of education programs in Uganda! Meet at 134 Plaza Drive **at 9am** and join the walk through St. Vital Park. Pledge forms are available at MCC offices and online.
- **MCC’s annual SpringFest is on May 22-24** at 134 Plaza Drive, Winnipeg. Come on out for the Quilt Sale, Plant Sale, BBQ, and a come-and-go Sunday lunch at Fort Garry MB.
- **Cycle Clear Lake** - Join fellow cyclists and enjoy a beautiful trail ride in Riding Mountain National Park **in support of MCC’s food security work** in Lebanon on Saturday, **July 4. Register by June 16** online at mccmanitoba.ca/cycleclearlake or phone Reinhold at [204-729-8335](tel:204-729-8335).
- **MCC Golf Tournament** - MCC Manitoba’s 13th Annual Golf Tournament is on **July 8**. Early-bird **registration deadline is June 12**. Register online at mccmanitoba.ca/golf or phone [204-261-6381](tel:204-261-6381).
- Plan to attend **Mennonite World Conference** in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, **July 21-26, 2015**.
- **Deep Down on the Edge Study Tour** to the United Kingdom led by Irma Fast Dueck, **Aug. 19-Sept. 2, 2015**. The study tour will include the Isle of Iona in Scotland and the Greenbelt Christian Arts Festival in England. For more details: cmu.ca/academics.php?s=deepdown.
- **Grow Hope - become a farmer!** Sign up to sponsor an acre on a Man. farm for \$300. Proceeds will be donated after harvest and thanks to government matching funds, your \$300 can grow into as much as \$2500. For more info, visit mccmanitoba.ca/growhope or call (204)261-6381.

John 10:11-18

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.

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**Worship Bulletin Submission:** by Thursday evening 9:00 p.m.  
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**ABERDEEN MENNONITE CHURCH**

**Sunday, April 26, 2015**



*Welcome to Aberdeen!*

Weekly Worship at 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School for all ages following the service

**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. 61 years in North End Winnipeg**

## Third Sunday of Easter ~ April 26, 2015

### Gathering

Welcome  
Call to Worship  
Opening Prayer  
Congregational Singing    HWB 355 Savior like a shepherd  
                                         STS 100 Oh blessed spring

Confession and Assurance  
Pass the Peace

### Hearing

Gospel Reading            John 10:11-18  
Song                         HWB 352 Gentle Shepherd come  
Sermon                      Esther  
Prayer/Song                HWB 493 I heard the voice of Jesus

### Responding

Second Reading            John 10:11-18  
Prayer of Dedication  
Offering  
Song                         The Lord is my Shepherd (accapella)  
Congregational Sharing and Prayer  
Announcements  
Sending Song                STS 39 Will you come and follow me.  
Blessing

Worship Leader: Sunnie  
Song Leader: Ron  
Accompanist and Offertory: Deb

### FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- **Aberdeen Food Bank** - meets next on May 2 and May 16
- **Sunday, May 3** – potluck lunch after the church service



**Birthdays This Week:** Genevieve May 1

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Today, Adult Sunday School** – Executive discussions
- **Today, 3 pm, Bethel Church** (in the basement) – 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday party for Pastor Sunnie. All are welcome!
- For those of you who missed MCC Manitoba's Anniversary Benefit Concert, it will be broadcast today at 3 pm on CFAM.

### PRAYER REQUESTS:

- At 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday morning, May 5, 2015, you are invited to join MWC's Global Prayer Network and spend time in prayer for Mennonite World Conference, July 21-26 in Harrisburg, PA. Prayer concerns include hospitality, finance, safety, travel, Youth Summit and children.
- Pray for the members and supporters of L'Arche Winnipeg, as they walk next Sunday to raise money, and as they work each day to build caring communities.
- Pray for the asylum seekers and migrants of the world who would rather risk death trying to find a better life than remain in hopeless circumstances.



Coffee for next week May 3 – Peter and Marlene  
Coffee for May 10 – John and Kathy

### Prayer of Dedication

#### **The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;**

We believe in the goodness of God.  
We believe God hears and responds to our needs.  
We believe God responds to all children everywhere.

#### **He makes me lie down in green pastures.**

**He leads me beside still waters,  
he restores my soul.**

We are grateful that we've been blessed with enough water.  
But we know that many do not have enough.  
Not enough water, not enough food, not enough peace.

#### **He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

Too many children do not see God's righteousness.  
Too many children watch violence, taste hunger, feel fear.  
Too many children cry from the unspeakable horror of war.

**Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I will fear no evil;**

**for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

To become involved is risky. Pain is often contagious.  
Our hearts may be broken and our lives may be threatened.  
Yet we hear God calling  
and we have no need to hide.

**You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.**

Our steps may be small and timid.  
We may read a book, write a letter, or make a gift.  
But each tiny step is blessed by God and multiplies.

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;  
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

God's love is more relentless than war.  
God's love is more pervasive than hatred.  
God's love is more insistent than despair.

**Amen. Amen.**

~ adapted from Katherine Hawker, *Liturgies Outside*