

**Luke 16: 19-31**

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man’s table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

“The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side.

So he called to him, ‘Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.’ “But Abraham replied, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.’

“He answered, ‘Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.’ “Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.’” “No, father Abraham,’ he said, ‘but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’

“He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

**BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION:**

- **MCC Canada welcomes applications for Travel Administrative Assistant** based in Winnipeg. Applications are accepted until September 27, 2016. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/openings/travel-administrative-assistant>
- **Book promotion: *Horse-and-Buggy Genius: Listening to Mennonites Contest the Modern World* - Thursday, September 29, 7 pm** at Sam's Place. Join us to hear author Royden Loewen and others share stories of how Old Order and Old Colony Mennonites choose simple living in the face of modernization.
- **Steinbach Bible College** invites you to attend their Fall Fundraising Faspa, **Sunday, Oct. 2, 4:00 pm** at SBC, featuring an old-fashioned Saengerfest and stories of God’s work at the college. You can reserve your spot by SBC at [204-326-6451](tel:204-326-6451).
- **Making it Home: Learning Anew to Build Community** - An evening of Story-telling, Dessert and Song in Support of CMU. Join us for a stimulating evening of stories and music. **Friday, October 14 from 7:00-9:00 PM** at South Park Mennonite Brethren Church, Altona. For more information or to confirm attendance contact Joyce Friesen at [jfriesen@cmu.ca](mailto:jfriesen@cmu.ca) or [204-594-0517](tel:204-594-0517).
- **CMU Electronic Newsletter:** Individuals who wish to receive CMU’s monthly electronic newsletter, *Through This Place*, featuring stories from professors and students and news about upcoming events, are invited to go to [cmu.ca/newsletter](http://cmu.ca/newsletter).

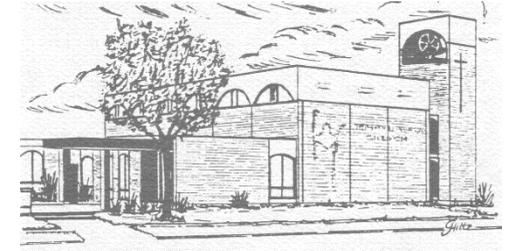


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**ABERDEEN MENNONITE CHURCH**  
**Sunday, September 25, 2016**



*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.  
62 years in North End Winnipeg**

**Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

***Trusting in God***

Welcome

Call to Worship (Psalm 91)

I will live in the shelter of the Most High and abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**I will call upon the Lord.**

The Lord is my refuge and fortress, my God in whom I trust.

**God is worthy to be praised.**

The Lord will save me from the snare of the fowler, from the terror of the night and the arrow that flies by day.

**So shall I be saved from my enemies.**

**The Lord Lives! Let the God of my salvation be exalted.**

Opening prayer

Congregational Songs    HWB 55 Let's sing unto the Lord  
   HWB 56 Awake, arise (*Acapella*)

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Passing the Peace

Congregational Song    HWB 76 Praise, I will praise you Lord

Scripture Reading    Luke 16:19-31 & 1 Timothy 6:6-10; 17-19

Children's Story        Blanca

Sermon                    Esther

Congregational Song    HWB 545 Be thou my vision

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Offering                 Everett

Commissioning        HWB 795

Announcements

Benediction

Live boldly, trusting God with everything you are and everything you have. Take hold of the life to which God calls you. Go forth, rejoicing in God. **Thanks be to God!**

Congregational Song    HWB 327 Great is thy faithfulness

Worship leader: Ruth

Song Leader: Mo

Accompanist: Pete and Everett

Sunnie is away on a medical leave. Please contact our Ministerial this week with prayer concerns.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- Please keep Sunnie and her family in your prayers as she recovers from surgery and grieves the loss of her mother.
- Pray for the refugee sponsorship that we have begun. Pray that the process will move quickly and hassle free.

**FOR YOUR CALENDER**

- **Food bank:** Next meets on October 1 and 15
- **Today:** Adult Sunday School Starts.



**Birthdays this week:** Paul on September 27<sup>th</sup>

Coffee for October 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joan and Heather

Upcoming Coffee for October 9<sup>th</sup>: Bev and Marilyn



**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Adult Sunday School starts **today** following the service, led by Ron. The topic will be parables.
- The food bank is out of extra supplies and is in need of donations (such as canned goods, peanut butter, cereal, pasta, etc).

**Prayer of Confession**

Triune God, you call us to trust you in every circumstance of our lives, yet far too often, we do not.

In times of oppression and strife, we lose hope in our future.

When enduring natural disasters, suffering illness, or facing death, we often grow bitter and forget your love.

Absorbed by our wants and desires, we are blind to those around us who need our care.

Forgive us, O God.

Forgive our despair, our bitterness, and our fear.

Turn our hearts to you,

that we may taste fullness of life

and trust your promised salvation.

**Words of Assurance (Psalm 91)**

God's loving presence never abandons us, not even when we abandon God.

God delivers those who seek and love the Lord.

All we have to do is call, and God answers us.

God answers us with forgiveness and mercy, life and salvation.

**1 Timothy 6:6-10; 17-19**

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

