

BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION:

- You are invited to hear what God is doing through **EMC Project Builders at their annual general meeting**, taking place on **Monday, November 28 at 7:30 p.m.** at the Braeside EMC, 1011 Munroe Ave. Winnipeg, Manitoba. The meeting will also be live-streamed (see www.emconference.ca). All our welcome!
- The Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra is performing **Handel's Messiah** on **December 2nd and 3rd**. Use code "ABERDEEN" for 20% off. Visit: www.wso.ca for more info.
- There are 6 CMU international students needing housing for one or 2 weeks during the Christmas Break (Dec 18 – Jan 2). To offer space or for more information please contact Sandra Loeppky sloepky@cmu.ca or [204-487-3300 x. 340](tel:204-487-3300).
- Canadian Mennonite University's **Sunday@CMU radio program** is pleased to feature a special sermon series by Sue Sorensen throughout December. Sue explores Jesus's miracles and relates them to Advent/Christmas in the four-part series. Sunday@CMU airs Sunday mornings at 8:30-8:45 AM on CFAM 950 Radio and AM 1250 Radio and online at tinyurl.com/Sunday-CMU.
- Registration is now open for the **Canadian School of Peacebuilding, June 12-16 and 19-23, 2017**. Go to csop.cmu.ca or e-mail csop@cmu.ca for more information.
- **Sam's Place Book & Bake Sale** *Saturday, December 10, 1-3 pm, 159 Henderson Hwy* Join us as we celebrate the season with Christmas baking and songs from the olde days. All books will be 10% off and we'll host musical performers from the Winnipeg Early Music Society. Donated baked goods are gratefully accepted. If you're interested in donating your baking, please contact manager@samspplacebooks.com

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**Aberdeen Evangelical Mennonite Church**

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

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**Sunday, November 27, 2016: First Advent**

**God's Peace is at hand. Come walk in the way of God's heart.**

**Gathering**

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: In the nighttime of despair, we are filled with doubt.

**People: We are overwhelmed with busyness and the compulsion to do. We have lost our way.**

Leader: The night is almost over. We are emerging from our doubt.

**People: O God, show us the way of your heart.**

Leader: Come quickly, to show us.

**All: The dawn is nigh. Show us the way.**

Opening Prayer

Lighting of the advent candle

Congregational Singing STS 15 Hope is a candle

STJ 31 He came down

**Hearing**

Prayer of Confession

Leader: God of peace,

**People: we yearn to walk in your way but often choose our own path of turmoil and pain.**

**Save us, Lord, from the pride and foolishness of choosing our own course, that we may humbly and confidently follow your lead, through Jesus Christ, Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Leader: Throughout the tumult of life, God holds you close in love.

Rejoice, because God's wisdom is your guide, God's compassion is your strength. God's love is your redemption.

**ALL: Come, let us walk in the way of God's heart!**

Special Music

Ben

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

Children's Story

Sermon

Teresa

**Responding**

Congregational Singing HWB 178 Come thou long-expected Jesus

HWB 207 Niño lindo

Congregational sharing and prayer

Offering Pete and Sol

**Sending**

Announcements

Congregational Singing STS 16 Peace before us

Benediction

Worship Leader: Shirley

Song Leader: Ron

Accompanist: Pete

**Isaiah 2:1-5**

This is a vision that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem: In the last days, the mountain of the LORD's house will be the highest of all-- the most important place on earth. It will be raised above the other hills, and people from all over the world will stream there to worship.

People from many nations will come and say,

"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of Jacob's God. There he will teach us his ways, and we will walk in his paths."

For the LORD's teaching will go out from Zion; his word will go out from Jerusalem. The LORD will mediate between nations and will settle international disputes. They will hammer their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will no longer fight against nation, nor train for war anymore. Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

**December 11** (not the 4th) we will celebrate our oneness in the kingdom of God through **communion**. It is an important time in the church, in that we remember that all of us share in the life of our Saviour together. Consequently, it's a reminder to give some thought to removing all barriers between us, to come with full intention of being one In Christ. As usual, all who share an interest in belonging to the kingdom of God are welcome, including children.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- Pray for the church, for the people here, for unity, for peace, for blessing. Remember the after effects of our pastor leaving, remember Sunnie, remember Charlotte and Randy and others; all of us as we work to come to grips with being church without a hired pastor.
- Pray for those in South America affected by the hurricane.

### **FOR YOUR CALENDER**

- **Food bank:** Next meets on December 10 and
- **Spanish Church:** Next meets on December 10
- **December 11:** Communion
- **December 18:** Christmas Service



#### **Birthdays this week:**

Garry Pelletier November 30



**Coffee** December 4<sup>th</sup>: Angel and Blanca

**Upcoming Coffee** December 11<sup>th</sup>: Paul and Brad

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- The **Christmas Program** will be held on **December 18<sup>th</sup>**. Everyone is invited to bring something for the dessert potluck that morning.
- The executive committee is planning a congregational meeting in the near future regarding our pastoral situation. Please talk to a member of the executive (Ron, Marv, Deb) if you have any questions.

### **Highlights from last week's Worship and Education Meeting:**

1. The committee brainstormed about potential guest speakers for the next quarter.
2. We decided that in the short term we would just have coffee time after the worship service and **no adult Sunday school**.
3. Fourth advent is on December 18th when our Spanish speaking families will present a Christmas program during the morning service. After that, our next service will be on Sunday, January 1, 2017. There will be no Christmas day service as a good number of our regular worship planners are away.

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**MCC Canada welcomes applications for Donor Life Cycle Assistant** based in Winnipeg. Applications are accepted until December 5. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/openings/donor-life-cycle-assistant>

**MCC Manitoba welcomes applications for Abuse Response & Prevention Program Coordinator** based in Winnipeg. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/openings/abuse-response-prevention-program-coordinator>

