

BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION

- **CMU Vespers - Tonight, 7 pm in the Laudamus Auditorium.**
- **World Day of Prayer - March 4 at 3:00 pm.** Join North End churches for worship and refreshments at **St. John Cantius Church, 846 Burrows Ave.**
- **The Mennonite Community Orchestra**, CMU's orchestra-in-residence, performs Glinka's *Ruslan and Ludmilla Overture*, Brahms' *Symphony #3*, and Gordon Jacob's *Old Wine in New Bottles* for winds under the direction of William Gordon on **March 13 at 3:00 pm in the CMU Chapel**. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$5 for students, and children 12 and under free.
- **SBC Leadership Conference**, *Living Non-Violently in a Violent World*, with Dr. Preston Sprinkle, **March 18-19**. Early bird registration ends **March 4**. See poster on bulletin board for more information.

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## Lent 2 Sunday, February 21, 2016

### **Living Ink: Finding Light in Dark Text**

**Focus Statement:** *There are many dark things we face and confront in our lives that cause fear. As Christ followers we are invited to face these darkest pages and chapters in our lives without fear, knowing that Christ's light will shine in the dark.*

Worship Leader: Sunnie

Song Leader: Ron

Accompanist: Esther

### **2016 Lent and Easter Services: "Living Ink"**

**Lent 3** Feb. 28 *Leaping Off the Page* Luke 13:1-9

**Lent 4** Mar. 6 *Turning Over a New Leaf* Luke 15:11-32  
Communion and Footwashing at 6:30 pm

**Lent 5** Mar. 13 *An Unexpected Twist* John 12:1-8

**Palm Sunday** Mar. 20 *The Plot Thickens* Luke 22-23

**Maundy Thursday** Mar. 24 at 6:00 pm Agape Meal

**Good Friday** Mar. 25 at 10:00 am

**Easter** Mar 27 Breakfast at 9:30 am; Worship at 11:00 am  
*The End of the Beginning* John 20:1-18

### **FOR YOUR CALENDAR:**

- **Food Bank** - Next meets on Mar. 5 and Mar. 19

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Please join us for a potluck lunch following the service.
- Each Sunday during Lent you are invited to respond to the theme questions on the insert. Share your responses during the service, take them home to ponder or include in your prayer time.
- **Next Sunday, Feb. 28**, Brad and Murray will begin an adult Sunday School book study of Richard Rohr's *Falling Upwards*. Please read the introduction to prepare for the first session.

- The EMC would like to remind us that *The Messenger*, the monthly magazine of the EMC, is available free to all who attend this congregation, members and adherents. The magazine is funded by the EMC through the giving of its churches and people.



**Birthdays This Week** Peter (Leona) on Feb. 27



Coffee for Feb. 28 – Randy and Charlotte  
Upcoming Coffee for March 6 – Herb and Esther

### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- Pray for Michelle Berg as she begins to plan for the summertime 5-Day Club ministry of the Child Evangelism Fellowship of Manitoba. This club has previously met in our building.

### **Luke 13:31-35**

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."'

## **Gathering**

Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Congregational Singing STJ 3 Jesus calls us here to meet him  
HWB 598 A wonderful Savior is Jesus

## **Hearing God's Word**

Scripture Reading Genesis 15:1-11, 17-18 Luke 13:31-35

Prayer of Confession and Reconciliation

Words of Assurance

Passing the Peace

Congregational Singing STJ 54 Longing for light  
STJ 102 When from the darkness

Message Sol Janzen

## **Congregational Response**

Sharing and Prayer

Offering Sokjakrya

Announcements

Congregational Singing HWB 336 When peace, like a river

Benediction

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Prayer of Confession and Reconciliation:

Hear, O Lord, when we cry aloud. Be gracious to us and answer us.

Do not turn your servants away in anger, you who have been our help. Do not cast us off. Do not forsake us, O God of our salvation! Teach us your way, O Lord, and lead us on a level path.

(silence)

Assurance: God invites us to believe that we shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Call to Worship:

The Lord is our light and our salvation;
whom shall we fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of our lives;
of whom shall we be afraid?

One thing we ask of the Lord; one thing we seek;
to live in the house of the Lord all of our days.

He will hide us in his shelter in the day of trouble.

He will conceal us under the cover of his tent.

We will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Hear us, O God, and be gracious.

We are still confident of this:

**We will see the goodness of the Lord
in the land of the living.**

Wait for the Lord;

be strong, take heart and wait for the Lord.

**The Lord is our light and our salvation;
the Lord is the stronghold of our lives**

Grace, mercy and peace to each of you in the name of the Father,
the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen

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## **Lent 2: Responding to the Story**

~ How do you experience God as Author of your life story?

~ When was a hard moment where you found God's hope?

~ How did finding God's hope change your faith?

~ If you could go back in time now, what would you tell yourself during the moment you found God's hope in a difficult time?

