

**BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION**

- **Spring Concert** - Eastman Male Choir spring concert, conducted by Ed Hildebrand. Proceeds will support the work of MCC. Guests: Men's Choir from Steinbach Evangeliums Christen Gemeinde. **Sat., April 2, 7 pm at Steinbach EMC** - 422 Main Street, Steinbach.
- **Mennonite Gallery - *Stories in Art: From Iraqi Kurdistan***. Opening on **Sat., April 2, at 7:30 pm**. Showing April 2-May 14, 2016.
- You're invited to ***A Fresh Look at CMU: A Spring Evening Fundraiser*** in support of CMU on **Thurs., April 7, 7 – 9 pm**. For more information go to [cmu.ca/afreshlook](http://cmu.ca/afreshlook).
- **Green thumb?** The annual MCC plant sale will be held **May 27-28, 2016**. Please keep the sale in mind as you begin plants for the upcoming spring—vegetable and flowering plants are both appreciated!
- **MDS Man. Fundraiser/Awareness Evening. Sat., April 23, 6 pm**. Held at Winkler Bible Camp on Hwy 3, 3 miles north of the Junction of Highways 3 and 14. Come join us for supper, entertainment and report of what MDS is doing. Call 1-866-261-1274 for complimentary tickets.
- **MDS Family Project at Camp Assiniboia**, and Silver Lake Mennonite Camp, Ontario! MDS is partnering with these two Mennonite Camps to build cabins and other small buildings. Families with children of all ages are encouraged to come and learn from each other while serving others. Contact Evelyn Peters-Rojas at [epetersrojas@mds.mennonite.net](mailto:epetersrojas@mds.mennonite.net) or 1-866-261-1274.

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## Easter Sunday, March 27, 2016

### The End of the Beginning

**Focus Statement:** *As the people of God, we place our faith, trust, and hope in the resurrected Christ, who brings meaning to all unhappy endings by inviting us to a new beginning and a new hope – the hope of the happily-ever-after chapter. All the pages and chapters of our lives find their place within God’s grand covenant narrative – a narrative that culminates in a powerful, glorious good news story in which the author has redeemed, is redeeming, and will redeem us and the world forever!*



#### PRAYER REQUESTS:

- for Pete, Nikki and Jenna in the recent passing of Sharon, their wife and mother. May they know God's love and strength during this difficult time.
- for our university students in their final days of classes: studying for exams, finishing projects, and making summer plans.

#### FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- **Food Bank** - Next meets on April 2 and April 16



Coffee for April 3 – Murray and Marg  
Upcoming Coffee for April 10 – Mo and Rudy



**Birthday This Week** Deb Schiedel Lapp on March 30

## John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, ‘They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.’ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, ‘Woman, why are you weeping?’ She said to them, ‘They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.’

When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?’ Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, ‘Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.’ Jesus said to her, ‘Mary!’ She turned and said to him in Hebrew, ‘Rabbouni!’ (which means Teacher).

Jesus said to her, ‘Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, “I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.”’ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, ‘I have seen the Lord’; and she told them that he had said these things to her.