

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray for our church members taking on new positions in the congregation.
- Pray for our beautiful earth and the environmental impacts caused by greed and consumption.

FOR YOUR CALENDER

- **Food bank:** Next meets on February 4



Birthdays this week: February 2nd: Sarah



Coffee February 5th: John and Kathy

Upcoming Coffee February 12th: Genevieve and Holly

BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION:

- Join CMU on Wednesday, February 1 for a public lecture titled **Talking Climate: Why Facts are Not Enough** with CMU's 2017 Scientist in Residence, Dr. Katharine Hayhoe. More information at cmu.ca/sir.
- **MCC Ukraine Update** *Thursday, February 2, 7:30 pm, 159 Henderson Hwy*
Join Amela Puljek-Shank, MCC's Area Director for Europe and the Middle East, at Sam's Place for a discussion on the current situation in Ukraine and MCC's efforts in the area.
- **MCC Canada welcomes applications for Humanitarian Relief & Disaster Recovery Coordinator** based in Winnipeg. Applications are accepted until February 3. For more information and to apply, please visit <http://mccmb.ca/serve/humanitarian-relief-disaster-recovery-coordinator>.
- **February 4th, 7pm and McNally Robinson Bookstore:** Providence Public Lecture: "Monotheistic Diversity: Do Jews, Christians, and Muslims Pursue the Same God?". Free admission. www.prov.ca/publiclectures

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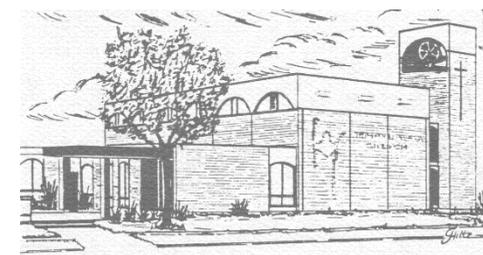
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**ABERDEEN MENNONITE CHURCH**

**Sunday, January 29, 2017**



*Welcome to Aberdeen!*

Weekly Worship at 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 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.  
62 years in North End Winnipeg**

## Sunday, January 29:

*Who are the people of God? Not those with worldly wisdom, but those who act with justice and compassion, who walk humbly with their God; those whom the world might call foolish because they choose to live kingdom values rather than worldly values.*

### Gathering

Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayer

Loving God, we come this morning seeking to abide in your presence.

Open our minds to your spirit of wisdom, that we may know how to live as your people.

Open our hearts to your spirit of truth, that we may love all your people with a love that speaks of justice, kindness, and radical grace. May this time of worship be authentic and pleasing to you. Amen.

Congregational Singing HWB 521 Come thou fount  
HWB 395 Here I am Lord

### Hearing the word

Scripture reading: Micah 6:1-8; 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31  
Matthew 5: 1-12

Congregational Singing HWB 304 There are many gifts  
Sermon Ron

### Responding

Sharing and Prayer

Offering

Announcements

Congregational Singing HWB 545 Be Thou my vision

### Ordination

Congregational Singing STJ 27 God of the Bible  
Benediction

Worship Leader: Ruth  
Song Leader: Mo  
Accompanist: Deb

## Call to Worship ((Micah 6, Psalm 15, Matthew 5, 1 Corinthians 1)

People of God, who do you come to worship?

**We come to worship the one true God.**

How will you worship?

**Not with words alone, but by living lives  
of justice and love.**

Come, you who belong to God.

Come, you who are foolish in the eyes of the world.

**Come and abide in God's tent and in God's heart,  
now and forever.**

## 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written:

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise;  
the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate."

Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law?

Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him. It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. Therefore, as it is written: "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."

## Micah 6:1-8

Listen to what the LORD says:

"Stand up, plead my case before the mountains; let the hills hear what you have to say. "Hear, you mountains, the LORD's accusation; listen, you everlasting foundations of the earth. For the LORD has a case against his people; he is lodging a charge against Israel. "My people, what have I done to you? How have I burdened you? Answer me. I brought you up out of Egypt and redeemed you from the land of slavery. I sent Moses to lead you, also Aaron and Miriam. My people, remember what Balak king of Moab plotted and what Balaam son of Beor answered. Remember your journey from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the righteous acts of the LORD." With what shall I come before the LORD and bow down before the exalted God? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings with calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of olive oil? Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

## Matthew 5:1-12

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them. He said:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.