

Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
and lean not on your own
understanding;
in all your ways submit to him,
and He will make your paths straight.
Proverbs 3:5-6



September 10, 2017

WELCOME TO PEACE MENNONITE CHURCH

Are you new here? We hope that you experience the goodness of God and the hospitality of God's people. May our worship deepen your connection to God, to others, and to God's world.

Connect Cards are in the pews. Please fill one out and deposit it in the offering bag. Ask the ushers any and all questions!

Children are welcome to worship with us until they are dismissed for Sunday School.

Church Information is available by the bulletin board. Please feel free to take resources of interest, or any of the periodicals on the shelf.

Offerings are collected each Sunday to maintain the facility and programs of the church. As a guest, please do not feel obligated to participate.

Coffee & Tea are served in the gym after the service. Please join us!



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Peace Mennonite Church
September 10, 2017 – 10 AM

Celebration

Worship in Song Dieter Nickel
Welcome & Announcements Sue Nickel
Call to Worship
Worship in Song
Blessing of Children Pastor Jon Tetzl

Teaching

Scripture Reading: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 Hannah Kroeker
Message: Coming to Terms with Change
..... Pastor Winston Pratt

Response

Song of Response & Offering
Communion
Benediction
Sending Song

Please leave the sanctuary immediately following the service so the Chinese Congregation can prepare for their worship service. Thank you!

STUDY HOUR



Everyone is welcome to the gym following the service. Coffee and tea are served. A **coffee sign-up sheet** is posted on the cupboard in the kitchen. If you have any questions, please contact **Jenna Grubaugh 778.980.0359**. Thank you in advance.

Adult Study — Please meet in the fireside room immediately after the service for coffee. We will be discussing the findings from the various groups that visited other churches and visioning a plan for Peace Church to move forward.

Our Mennonite Church Vision Statement:

God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

PRAY FOR EACH OTHER ~ James 5:16



Gertie Peters, a long-time member of Peace Church, who had been hospitalized for many years, passed away at the age of 94 on Tues Sept 5th. At the request of her family, there will not be a memorial service.

Erna Dorotich, sister to **Regina (& Gerd) Bartel and Julius (& Nettie) Grunau**, passed away Thursday Sept. 7th. Pray for the family as they mourn the loss of a beloved sister and make arrangements for Erna's funeral. May Christ be their comfort and give them strength.

Please continue to hold up **Liese Nickel** in your prayers. Liese is now in Palliative Care and longs to be with her Lord. Prayers for a peaceful passing through the veil to Him who loves her and the family are coveted.

The **Giffords** are now in the Philippines. Pray that they would acclimate to Manila quickly and that the Spirit would be with them through their training. To keep up on Gifford news, you can go to their blog spot at: www.adventuresinloving.blogspot.ca.

Continue to hold **Cushla Curtis** up in prayer. Cushla has been on a waiting list for back surgery since early spring. Pray for relief from pain and that she might have the surgery soon.

Hold **Francis Cheng & Alice Kwong** up in prayer as they walk this end of life journey together. There are many anxious moments for them both.

Remember our congregants who are in senior's homes and those who are unable to worship with us: **John & Marina Boehr, Erna Dorotich, Anne Goertz, Julius & Nettie Grunau, Margaret Krause, Liese Nickel, Harry & Edna Richert, Jacob & Helen Sawatzky, Henry & Sue Schroeder and Tony & Elsie Schmidt.**

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

If you have a pastoral care concern and would like to speak with someone please contact any member of the Pastoral Care Team:

Lead pastor, Winston Pratt — winston@peacemennonite.ca
Pastor of Senior's Ministry, Linda Enns — linda@peacemennonite.ca
George Goertzen 604.522.5760 — george@gigl.ca

You can also share a prayer request by using one of the yellow "Connect Cards" in the pews and place it in the offering bag Sunday morning.

OUR STAFF

Lead Pastor: Winston Pratt — winston@peacemennonite.ca
Youth & Children's Pastor: Jon Tetzl — jon@peacemennonite.ca
Pastor of Senior's Ministry: Linda Enns — linda@peacemennonite.ca
Office Administrator: Heidi McAlary — office@peacemennonite.ca

THIS WEEK ~ September 10 - 17

Tuesday – 12

10 AM — Ladies LIFE Group meet in the fireside room. This Bible study is open to any women who would like to participate.

Peace Food Bank

1:30 - 2:30 PM – Prayer in the Pastor's study

2:30 - 3:30 PM – Food Bank Set-Up

3:30 - 5:00 PM – Food Bank

7 PM — Church Council Meeting in the fireside room.

Thursday – 14

9:30 AM – 3 PM — MCC Blanket-making in the fireside room. Men and women are welcome! No experience necessary.

7:30 PM — Peace Choir Rehearsal in the sanctuary. If you enjoy worshipping in song, come join us!



Sunday – 17

9:20 AM — A Time for Prayer in the Pastor's study. All are invited and welcome to join in prayer before the worship service.

10 AM — Pastor Winston Pratt will be speaking on "Letting God Lead", (Hebrews 11:8 Genesis 12:1-9). Worship Leader – **Len Block.**

Focus:

- Need for spiritual discernment to identify and recognize what season we are in
- Need for biblical wisdom to understand what actions to take at such a time to be faithful
- Trust: Prayerfully asking God to guide us in the steps we take

Staff Holidays:

Pastor Linda Enns will be on vacation September 10 to October 3
Heidi McAlary will be on vacation September 25 to October 20. During this time, there will not be a church bulletin.

COMING EVENTS



All Youth Welcome — invite your friends too!

Fri Sept 15 – 7:15 - 9:15 PM — Mini-Gold @ West Coast Mini putt.

Wed Sept 20 – 7:15 - 9:15 PM — Youth Night at Peace.

Fri – Sat – Sept 29 - 30 – 8 PM - 8 AM — Youth All-Nighter at Peace.

Fri - Sun Nov 17 - 19 — Sr. Youth Impact at Camp Squeah.

You can reach Pastor Jon Tetzl at: jon@peacemennonite.ca



Peace Mennonite Church needs to receive \$36,757 monthly, in rent & donations, in order to meet our budget. In the month of August, we received \$18,941. To date, we have received \$215,199, which is \$78,857 behind our year-to-date budget.



URGENTLY NEEDED: Sunday School teachers and helpers for all ages are needed to begin the Sunday school year Sept. 10th. Please speak to Pastor Jon Tetzl if you have questions or if you'd like to help. We'd love to have at least one more teacher for both the Preschool & Elementary classes.

 **MCC School Kits** are always in demand - take advantage of the back-to-school sales to stock up on items to make these kits. This is a great teachable moment project to do with your children. Instructions are online at <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/kits/school>



Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) is receiving financial donations for forest fires in British Columbia. Some people in BC have lost their home to the fires. MDS volunteers will help in the recovery phase of this disaster. MDS is accepting financial donations for that recovery. For further updates on the MDS response and financial donations go to: <https://mds.mennonite.net/> or call the MDS office at 1.866.261.1274.

Fri – Sat Sept 15 & 16 — **MCC Festival for World Relief** at the Tradex Exhibition Centre, Abbotsford, B.C.

Sat Sept 16 — McLaren Housing Society, which provides safe, affordable housing to individuals & families who are HIV+ are once again participating in the Scotia Walk To THRIVE formally the **AIDS WALK**. We are looking for donors & team members. Please support us if you are able, financially or by walking. **Sharon Pratt** is a team captain for the event in Stanley Park. If you are interested in joining her team, go to: <https://positivelivingbc.akaraisin.com/pledge/Event/Registration.aspx?seid=14704&mid=60>



Tue Sept 19 – 5:30 PM — Community Meal.

The Community Meal is always in need of help in many areas: Set-up, clean-up, table hosts and more. If you'd like to get involved in this ministry, please speak to Heidi McAlary in the church office.



Fri - Sun Sept 22 - 24 — Church Family Camp Squeah Retreat. There will not be an English worship service at Peace Church on Sunday Sept. 24.

Sun Sept 24 — Hymn Sing with Herb Calderwood, in the fireside room. If you love to sing hymns, come join us for an evening of song.

Sat Sept 30 – 9 AM - NOON — Take Care Program. This session is mandatory for everyone who volunteers in children and youth ministries. Reece Friesen from Ebenezer will be leading the session for us here at Peace Church in the fireside room. Save the date and plan to attend.



Sat Sept 30 – 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM — MCC BC Annual Meeting at South Abbotsford Church 32424 Huntingdon Rd. Come celebrate the ways that MCC and the local church are providing “a place to belong” for those on the margins locally and globally. To register, go to: www.mccbc.ca/bc-agm-2017. Registration fee includes a complementary lunch.



Fri - Sun Oct 13 - 15 — Mennonite Church Canada: Future Directions: Covenant New. If you would like to attend the assembly, being held in Winnipeg, please advise Heidi McAlary in the church office. There are some funds available to help subsidize the cost of travel. For assembly details, and to register, go to: <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/winnipeg2017>.

Let's "Walk the Talk" of Reconciliation! Mennonite Church Canada's Director of Indigenous Relations, Steve Heinrichs, is encouraging all MC Canada church members to show their support for Bill C-262, which calls on the Government of Canada to adopt and implement the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. If you would like to know more and if you would like to sign the petition, go to: www.adoptandimplement.com/. If you would like to write a postcard to your MP in support of this bill, they are on the shelf by the “missions” bulletin board.