

**Grace Mennonite Church Worship Service**  
**February 11, 2018**  
**10:00 am**



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## Grace Mennonite Church

10:00 a.m. – Worship Service  
 Pastors Mel Letkeman & Kyle Penner  
 www.gracemennonitesteinbach.ca  
 204-326-3707

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Gathering Song

***Speak O Lord***

Welcome

Call to Worship

***O sing to the Lord*** STJ# 12

***Praise, I will praise you, Lord*** HWB# 76

Time with children

*Children's Church for age 3 through grade 8 will meet in the foyer*

Contemplative Prayer

**John 7:53-8:11**

**Smashing the Patriarchy, My Hairdresser, and Luxury Cars**

***Let it be said of us***

Communion

Life of the Congregation, Prayer & Offering

***Bless'd be the tie that binds*** HWB# 421

Benediction

*All are welcome to join us for coffee in the foyer following our worship service.*

*Formation with Kyle Penner will be in the room adjacent to the sanctuary.*

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### Participants in today's worship service:

Worship Speaker:	Kyle Penner
Worship Leader:	James Barkman
Song Leaders:	David Graham, Cindy Blatz, Wendi Friesen
Accompanist:	Annalee Schellenberg
Sound Tec:	Jessica Boese
Computer Tec:	Matt Boese
Children's Church:	Jackie Koop, Hanh Rempel, Andrea Dick, Ange Neufeld
Ushers:	Garry Barkman, Shannon Gerbrandt
Coffee Servers:	Al & Judy Neufeld

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Looking ahead to next Sunday's Worship Service:

Please read John 11:1-44.

Do you believe this story? Worship Speaker: Mel Letkeman

### Coins Count for MCC

February 18 to April 1

During Lent, we're doing Coins Count for MCC Grow Hope again. So bring your coins starting February 18, because the kids are going to be collecting them!

### Children's Church

Children's Church for ages 3 to Grade 8 is held during the worship service.

You may pick up your children following the worship service, in the upper level, classrooms 10,11,12 & 14.

### Sisters of Grace 11:15

We invite all women for a time of sharing and prayer as we read the book:

*We Make the Road by Walking, (Brian McLaren)*

We will meet in the lounge located in the lower level.

### Prayer Requests this week at Grace

We pray for Virginia Fast, Patricia Ladobruk & John Neufeld in Bethesda Hospital.

We pray for our house bound and care home residents: Art Baerg, Linda Martens, Kumba Mansaray, Nancy Pauls, Jake Penner, Frank & Martha Plett.

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Throughout the week, when we notice our frustration levels rising, help us to not respond with stones, but with love.

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### Contemplative Prayer

May the light and love of Jesus be with you.

May you feel the compassionate and loving presence of Christ in your life.

This week you can join others at Grace for the **Mini-Concert February 16 at 7 pm** - Hosted by the small group of Al and Eleanor, Peter and Thelma, John and Eileen and Lorraine and Elbert, we invite you to a mini-concert to be presented by the Kim and Robert Sidorchuk family on Feb. 16 at 7 pm in our sanctuary. This will be followed by coffee/reception in the foyer. (The group purchased this event offering at the fund-raising auction in late fall.)

## Grace Opportunities:

**Introduction to the Enneagram, February 18 & 25,** 11:15am-1:00pm each Sunday (Bring your own lunch). We'll be gathering with Valerie Regehr to learn about the Enneagram, an ancient personality typing system that gives us deeper knowledge about ourselves, compassion for others, and love for God. You don't have to sign up to attend, and if you miss a session, they will be recorded. For more information, talk to Kyle Penner, Alisa Harder, or Kari Feilberg.

**Grace Family Camp:** March 16-18, Camp Arnes. **To sign up, please email Shara Dueck @ shara\_dueck@live.com.** Deadline is February 11. All are welcome!

**Grace Women's Retreat:** We are beginning to plan for our biennial retreat which will take place at Camp Assiniboia on October 26-28. If you are interested in attending please email either Shannon Gerbrandt (srgerb@mymts.net) or Enid Letkeman (meletkeman@gmail.com). Please indicate if you are interested in helping to organize this event. All women, all ages are invited!

**"Boots, Buckets, & Barrows" by Ted & Co TheatreWorks :** An MDS Dessert night and Fundraiser at Douglas Mennonite Church 1517 Rothesay St, Winnipeg. Sunday Feb 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm. Tickets \$10 . Printed tickets are available at the MDS office. Please call 204 261 1274 to reserve them. NB: This is a second show that has been added.

**Annual Meeting for Steinbach Thrift Shop and Ten Thousand Villages** at Gospel Fellowship Church, 860 Main St., Steinbach, at 7:00 pm. on Thursday, February 15, 2018. Join us for reports from the managers, special music, and speakers, followed by coffee and snacks.

**Please see the Bulletin Board for additional Announcements: (located in the foyer)**

### This week at Grace:

**Monday:** Red River classes and child care - Monday thru Friday  
Sandwich making for HSD students, 9:00am

**Tuesday:** Soup's On 5:00 pm

**Wednesday:** Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 pm

**Friday:** Soup's On 5:00 pm

Grace Middle & High School students and parents will be working at Soup's On (4:30 pm – 7:00 pm) Contact Kyle for more info.

**Mini-Concert 7:00 pm All are welcome!**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>:** Rest Haven Singing 2:30 pm

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### Grace contacts:

Pastor:	Mel Letkeman	<a href="mailto:mel.grace@mymts.net">mel.grace@mymts.net</a>
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Administrative hours:	9:30 – 1:30. Bulletin submissions are due Thursday 9:00 am	

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# *A Journey Through Lent*

## **Ash Wednesday**

**February 14, 7 pm**

All are welcome to join us for a service of Praise!

## **Palm Sunday**

**March 25, 10 am**

All are welcome to join us for a service of Praise!

## **Service of Shadows**

**Handwashing, Music & Reflection**

**Thursday, March 29, 7:30 pm**

All are welcome to join us for a peaceful evening of reflection and music.

## **Good Friday Service**

**March 30, 10 am**

**Steinbach Mennonite Church**

All are welcome to join SMC for

Good Friday worship service.

Communion will be served.

## **Easter Morning Service**

**April 1, 10 am**

Our Easter Sunday morning worship service.

*All are welcome to join us for  
paska and coffee following the service.*

## Encountering God during Lent

Lent is the period of 40 days leading up to Good Friday and Easter.

It begins as we impose Ashes on our foreheads at the Ash Wednesday service this coming week. It is a time to reflect on the pain of Christ's Sufferings and our own, leading to the hope of new life found in Easter Resurrection. We can facilitate this reflection through self denial, repentance, prayer, works of love and meditating on Scripture.

### Ideas for Lent

Remove something you frequently experience from your life while adding something that is difficult, but good to do.

By removing and adding that which is difficult we symbolically enter the suffering of Jesus and learn that in the Kingdom of God, Glory comes through suffering.

**Mel** will go down to 1 cup of coffee in the morning and no sweets.

**Kyle** will be giving up some sleep to wake up early and practice centering prayer (you can download the app called Centering Prayer) and read *A Way Other Than Our Own* by Walter Brueggemann

### And you?

What favourite daily or week-end enjoyment might you decline?  
What difficult activity will you embrace with new resolve?



However you say yes or no, and regardless of whether you do or not, may you meet God and God meet you in the story of Jesus Sufferings, Death and Resurrection during Lent.

**Grace Mennonite Church**  
**2018 Annual Pictorial Telephone Directory**  
**Information Request**

**All are welcome to participate in our Pictorial Directory!**

1. We will require a photo of your family. If possible please email a copy to the church office at [cathy.grace@mymts.net](mailto:cathy.grace@mymts.net).
  
2. If you require our photographer to take your photo, please contact Jackie Koop at [koopfamily.est.2002@gmail.com](mailto:koopfamily.est.2002@gmail.com) and she will make arrangements with you. (*There will be no fees for the photos for the directory.*)

Please take a minute and fill in the appropriate information on the reverse side.

***Photo and information due date:***

***Sunday, February 18, 2018***

**Please email to [cathy.grace@mymts.net](mailto:cathy.grace@mymts.net) or  
drop off at the church office or in mailbox # 171.**

Name(s) : \_\_\_\_\_

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Children's names: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone numbers: Landline \_\_\_\_\_

Cell number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Email address(es): \_\_\_\_\_

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***Please drop off at the church office or put in  
mailbox # 171 no later than February 18, 2018.***

For further information please contact:

Cathy Barkman (Tues & Wed 9:30 am – 1:30 pm)  
at 204-326-3707

or email [cathy.grace@mymts.net](mailto:cathy.grace@mymts.net)

Thank you!