## Arnaud Mennonite Church April 26, 2020

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Sunday morning worship at the church building has been cancelled until further notice due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the state of emergency issued by the government of Manitoba.

**Next week**: I will be sending you a link to Glenlea Mennonite Church's online service. Then at a later date in May they will be joining our service online.

## PRAYER CONCERNS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 26

If you would like a name added or removed from the prayer list, please let Gloria know.

Those with health issues: George Hollo (friend of Ewald & Janet), Wilma Poetker, Cory Mazinke, Mel Schlorff, Ben Maynard, Ewald Boschmann, Carmine Gelardi (Sandy), Madeleine Hamonic.

Matt & Cheryl Peters, Dan & Lisa Friesen as they serve in various parts of our world.

For the people of Nova Socotia mourning the loss of life after mass shooting.

Social isolation increases the vulnerability of many people. Pray for those who do not have safe homes to shelter in.

Pray for governments and public health authorities around the world as they deal with the spread of the corona virus.

Pray for all those experiencing job layoffs. Make connections with those you know. What are the ways we can offer help and encouragement?

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## AMC CALENDAR

May 19 7:30 pm Worship Planning

## **CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Picture of the Week**: Send one or two photo hi-lights from your week to Adrian by texting 204.712.6368 or email <u>thiadr@outlook.com</u>

### Time for us to be missional? Opportunity here. #wecanhelp

Steinbach Community Outreach (which operates out of Steinbach Mennonite Church) urgently needs donations of nonperishable food items, hygiene products (shampoo, bodywash, dish soap, laundry soap, toilet paper, etc.) and money. <u>https://www.steinbachcommunityoutreach.com/</u>

**MennoMedia** is posting the *Rejoice* Devotioinal every morning on their Facebook page.

# Mennonite Disaster Service mds.mennonite.net

All projects suspended until further notice due to pandemic.

Mennonite Collegiate Institutemciblues.netPlease pray for MCI as they navigate the COVID-19 storm. Pray for the newleadership team Harold Schlegel, Executive Director; Toby Wiens, Acting

Principal; Paul Peters, Director of Student Life. Pray also for Gerald Barkman, who stepped down due to health concerns.

Mennonite Church Manitobamennochurch.mb.caThe Executive Minister Search Committee invites your prayers as they waitfor and receive applications. Please pray that God will guide this entire processand guide the committee in their discernment.

### Mennonite Church Canada home.mennonitechurch.ca

**Mennonite Church Manitoba provides this week's online service**. The service will be available to view at https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices.

## Mennonite Central Committee mcccanada.ca

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 56th Annual Meeting of the Members of the Mennonite Central Committee(MCC) Manitoba will be held as a virtual meeting via Zoom on the date of June 25, 2020. The process details will follow closer to the meeting, thanks.

### Prayer for Portapique, Nova Scotia

Written by Rachel Siemens, Pastor of Carman Mennonite Church, Carman, MB. Permission is granted by the author for you to use this in your worship.

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

We bring you our broken hearts and place into your great care all of the lives lost in Nova Scotia in this rampage. We entrust their souls to your bountiful love which knows no end in time or eternity.

> Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

We weep with those who are weeping.

Send your Spirit of comfort to the many many people who are mourning the death of their mothers and fathers, their sons and daughters, their family and neighbours, their friends and colleagues.

Embrace them as their grief is compounded by the inability to come together to mourn in person and comfort each other with hugs and tears.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Grant your strength and your comfort to the many people who are working to help in a variety of ways: for first responders, investigators, funeral directors, mayors and town councils, for pastors and journalists, and those whose work goes unnamed.

### Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

We bring to you our shock, our grief, our fear, our outrage; "This doesn't happen in Canada!" But this did happen. We bring you our loss of innocence. As we react and respond to this awful event, may we not become cynical and close our hearts to others or to you.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

God of compassion and mercy, we offer you our prayer in the strong name of Jesus, Our Risen Saviour, who taught us to pray, *Our Father...* 

