Arnaud Mennonite Church May 10, 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.

Prayer of Intercession (offered here instead of during online service)

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,

we come to you in prayer today, longing to see and sense your presence in these uncertain times.

Bring comfort to those who grieve, peace to those who are anxious, caution to those who needlessly risk their health, hope for all who are struggling economically, socially, mentally, physically, and in any manner because of this pandemic.

Guide the leaders in government and health officials as they make exceedingly difficult decisions in the days and weeks to come.

We give you thanks for the blessings we have seen, for extended time with family, for the opportunity to reevaluate our choices and how we allocate our precious resource of time.

We pray for the farmers as they return to their fields, give them patience and wisdom as they plant seeds. May their efforts be blessed by warming soil and rains as needed.

On this Mother's Day we come offering prayers for the women who offered us life, and for those who find pain in this rememberance. We pray for the mothers of great devotion, who have fought for us, nurtured us, and shown us what it is to be brave. We pray for children who have not known the love of a mother or the nurture of a loving parent.

We join our hearts and minds in prayer seeking your peace and mercy, your presence and comfort, for those of us who grieve; for the sick and hurting (see prayer list) and those who care for them.

We celebrate with those who have recently or will soon graduate from high-school and universities, that they might feel you at work in their lives; that they might stay safe during this time of celebration; that they might find joy in their future.

Guide us, we pray, with the wisdom to do your will, as we continue to pray...Our Father..... Amen.

FACEBOOK LIVE MEDITATION

Scripture: 2 Samuel 21:1-14

Mother's of Great DevotionGloria Beck

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 10

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.

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>

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

Mennonite Disaster Service mds.mennonite.net

Due to the pandemic, MDS Canada has shut down all its projects and suspended operations until it is safe to reopen. Although we are unable to respond organizationally to this disaster, we still want to be of practical assistance to those on the frontlines: Local congregations. That's why we created the Spirit of MDS Fund to offer financial support to Canadian Anabaptist-Mennonite congregations that want to reach out to their neighbours in Christian love—in the spirit of MDS. A total of \$100,000 is being a made available. Grants will be a maximum \$1,000 each, although there can be some flexibility on a case-by-case basis. Projects that can be funded include restocking a food pantry, assisting with a family's emergency financial needs, purchasing technology to help seniors or shut-ins connect with family and friends, assisting a family with rent, etc. Salaries will not be funded. Applications can be found on the website.

Mennonite Central Committee

mcccanada.ca

Website offers Faith-based Resources for Abuse Response and Prevention <u>abuseresponseandprevention.ca</u> Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), with support from CommonWord, has launched a resource website addressing issues of abuse for faith communities and their members. The website includes resources on intimate partner abuse, healthy relationships, sexual violence, clergy sexual abuse, how to offer support to survivors of abuse and assist those perpetrating harm.

Mennonite Church Manitoba

mennochurch.mb.ca

The Anabaptist Story Lives On: Virtual Museum & Archive Tour 7 pm CT/8 pm ET on Tuesday evenings in May & June, join archivists and executive directors from Anabaptist and Mennonite museums, archives, and heritage centres across North America for 20-minute presentations followed by Q&A. Presenters will show unique artifacts, photos and documents as they share part of the Anabaptist story. Tuesday, May 12 at 8:00 pm ET/ 7:00 pm CT, join Conrad Stoesz, archivist at Mennonite Heritage Archives in Winnipeg, Manitoba, as he talks about the importance of story. More info at www.tourmagination.com/vtour/ or register at https://bit.ly/Anabaptist vtour. TourMagination. Hosted by

Mennonite Church Canadahome.mennonitechurch.caMennonite Church Canada online service- May 10, 2020 Mount RoyalMennoniteChurch fromSaskatoon,www.mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices



Mrs. Jones got a little too used to watching online worship from home.

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