

g GRACE CHURCH

Bi-Weekly E-Newsletter



from the Lead Team

Church family! Hope you're having a fantastic week!

I want to start by saying how encouraged I've felt on recent Sundays through our worship and through meaningful connections. What a blessing we've received through so many new members committing to walking together with us!

Recently in life I've faced down some tough decisions and circumstances, as I'm sure we all do at some point or another. I've been challenged, pushed and stretched to not always take the "easy route" in these times. Doing things that will "keep the peace", or not "ruffle feathers". But as Christians, we have a calling to be different and stand out. Following Christ means resisting the temptation to choose what is easiest and lately, I've felt convicted that convenience does not equate obedience. Often times the hard choice is the right choice, which means obeying God's commands can lead to our personal discomfort. Jesus reminds us in Matthew 7:13-14 (NIV), "Small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it." Our walk with God isn't meant to be the comfortable. We are called to walk the narrow road, even when it is difficult.

Scripture also teaches that faithful believers will face hardships, tough decisions, and persecution. As culture constantly shifts its values and beliefs, the truth of the gospel remains unchanged. Living according to God's Word will often place us at odds with the world around us and sometimes even those close to us. Paul writes in Romans 12:2 (NIV), "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your

mind." We are not called to shape our faith around culture, but to remain true to Scripture in all things.

Choosing obedience over comfort is not always easy, but God honors those who trust Him enough to walk the harder road with faith and perseverance.

Love ya Grace, have a blessed day!

Connor Bergen



Women's Night - May 21st at 7:00 pm

Women of Grace are invited to come out for an evening of connection, community, and fun.

- Coffee & Desserts
- Sharing
- Panel Discussion about the importance of community at all stages of life
- Build your own bouquet

Cost is \$10/person. **Tickets available until May 10** at the welcome desk or talk to Juli, Wendy or Loretta. (if cost is a barrier, please let us know).

For the comfort of all who attend, please remember that Grace is a **fragrance-free** facility



grace youth

Last Week!

We had small-group nights, and they had a great time connecting with their groups!

This Week!

- Jr. Youth - May 11 - Level Up Night!
 - We are inviting the Gr. 6s to join us and see what Jr. Youth is all about!
- Sr. Youth - May 13 - Level Up Night!
 - We are inviting the Gr. 8s to join us and see what Sr. Youth is all about!

Upcoming

- Jr. Youth
 - May 18 - No Youth -> May 20 The River
 - May 25 - Last Regular Youth Night
 - June 1 - Small Group Wind Up
 - June 8 - Year End Wind Up
- Sr. Youth
 - May 20 - The River
 - May 27 - Last Regular Youth Night
 - June 3 - Small Group Wind Up
 - June 10 - Year End Wind Up

Other Information

Year Schedule

[2025-2026 Grace Youth Schedule](#)

If you have any questions, please ask! Brad

sunday school

We are in the final month of Sunday School for the year. The last Sunday will be May 31st.

The Sunday School year may be winding down, but we are already starting to plan for fall. We are so thankful for the teachers that God has always provided us with, and we trust He will do it again!

These are the roles that we need filled (all of these positions are half time):

- 1 - Kindergarten/Gr. 1 Teacher
- 1 - Gr. 2 Teacher
- 2 - Gr. 3 Teachers
- 2 - Gr. 4 Teachers

If you have questions about what this looks like, please don't hesitate to ask Jodi or Ashley!

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prayer and praise

Pray for our shut-ins and those with on-going health issues:

At Home:

- Linda Hiebert
- Gladys Wiebe
- Helene Kuhl
- Linda Jenkins
- Florence Dyck
- Marilyn Hildebrand
- Melissa (Friesen) Tunu
- Dennis Wiebe
- Marie Brown
- Alexander Sauer
- Allan Derksen
- Leo Braun
- Abdul Tunu

Tabor Home: Irene Hildebrand

In Salem Home: Helen Loepky
Elva Hildebrand
Agnes Giesbrecht
Maria Klassen
Anne Enns

Condolences

We extend our deepest sympathies to Harv & Connie Dyck and their family on the loss of his brother, John Dyck, on April 25th. May God's peace be a comfort to you in this time of mourning.

staff update

Wendy will be on holidays from May 10-18. Emails and messages will be monitored and responded to as soon as possible.



mission update

Mission Prayer Update

There are several prayer warriors in our covenant community who have asked for updates from the Missions Team as to how to prayer for us. This seemed like a good time to ask for that prayer so here are some things we are working through between now and summer.

- 1) Interviews - We will be interviewing 2 people who have applied for financial assistance. Pray that we ask good questions that give us understanding. Pray for discernment as to whether to support them and how much.
- 2) Humanitarian Aid - Pray for God to give us clarity as to where or which crisis to address, the amount of support, and the best means to send the relief. Pray that we get accurate information as we monitor many different situations.
- 3) Changes in Ministries - Our missions policy says that we will review our support whenever there is a significant change for one of our missionaries. Both Phil and Kinsey and Kenny and Brittany are changing locations. We need to review the changes to their expense as well as the costs for relocation. We then need to decide if the support amount needs to change and/or if a 1 time financial gift for the move is needed.
- 4) Bible School bursaries - Although most students will not start classes until September, some schools have dollar matching or discounts if church support is received before classes. Pray that we get the right forms and money where it needs to go to maximize the benefits for our students.
- 5) Communication - As always pray that we share information clearly.

Help us Fill the Crib



- 1 Baby Care**
 - Shampoo
 - Body Wash
 - Lotion
 - Nail Clippers
 - Baby Bath Towels
- 2 Diaper Supplies**
 - Diaper Rash Cream
 - Wipes (unscented)
 - Diapers (various sizes)
 - Pull-Ups
- 3 Toys**
 - Board Books
 - Teethers
 - Baby Toys (New, unopened packages)
- 4 Clothes**
 - Socks
 - Bibs
 - Burp Cloths
 - Sleepers
 - Onesies
- 5 Summer**
 - Sun Hats
 - Swim Diapers
 - Baby Sunscreen
- 6 Gently Used**
 - Blankets
 - Baby Clothes

 **Accepting Donations until June 21st.**

Baby Bottle Fundraiser

If you prefer to support Pregnancy Care Centre through a cash donation we encourage you to participate in their annual baby bottle fundraiser.

- Take a bottle
- Fill it with change, cash or cheque.
- Return to the church by Father's Day






Thank you for supporting this ministry!



grace events

DOES GOD EXIST
WHAT ABOUT EVOLUTION WAS
DARWIN RIGHT HOW CAN A LOVING GOD
ALLOW SUFFERING AND DEATH WHAT ABOUT
THE AGE OF THE EARTH DO DATING METHODS
PROVE THE EARTH IS MILLIONS OF YEARS OLD WHO
WAS CAIN'S WIFE HOW DID NOAH FIT ALL THE ANIMALS ON
THE ARK WAS THERE REALLY A WORLD WIDE FLOOD DOES
ANY REAL SCIENTIST BELIEVE IN CREATION ARE
THERE REALLY MISSING LINKS CAN'T A DAY MEAN
MILLIONS OF YEARS WHAT ABOUT NATURAL
SELECTION WHERE DID THE RACES COME FROM
WHAT ABOUT DISTANT STARLIGHT ARE UFOS
REAL DID GOD USE EVOLUTION WHAT ABOUT
THE SIMILARITIES BETWEEN
MONKEY AND HUMAN DNA
WHAT ABOUT THE ICE AGE WERE
ADAM AND EVE REAL PEOPLE
WHO CARES WHAT I BELIEVE
ABOUT ORIGINS DON'T
FOSSILS TAKE MANY
MILLIONS OF YEARS
TO FORM WHAT ABOUT
DINOSAURS



ARE YOU READY WITH ANSWERS?

Grace Mennonite Church
1350 Pembina Avenue, Winkler
Presents
Richard Fangrad
CMI-Canada
Thursday June 4, 2026
7:00pm
A Christian View of Everything
followed by a Question & Answer Session

For more information please call: 204-325-8884
All are welcome. Resources will be available for purchase.

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GRACE CAMPING WEEKEND

JUNE 5-7
Plum Coulee Campground

- **Activities will be planned for Saturday and Sunday afternoon**
- **Church service Sunday morning**
- **Lunch provided Sunday**

Sign Up now for a site (\$35/night)



community events

SALEM FOUNDATION
Salem Home FOUNDATION

Salem Foundation and Ladies Auxiliary Present

BBQ

Fundraiser

May 27, 2026 | Salem Home | Free Will
5:00 PM | 165 - 15th St | Offering



featuring
The Quonset Brothers

Proceeds go towards the new Handi-Van for Salem residents




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CO-OP Gardenland | SOUTHERN MEATS | HORTON'S MEATS

Spending of funds is confined to Board approved programs and purchases. Each gift designated toward an approved program will be used as designated with the understanding that when a given need has been met, or where projects cannot be carried out for any reason, gifts will be used where needed most.



SOUTHMAN GLEANERS
Est. 2022

24 REINFELD ST N.
REINFELD, MB
(2 MILES EAST OF HWY 32 AT WINKLER)

PANCAKE FUNDRAISER

CELEBRATING WHAT GOD HAS DONE AND GIVE HIM ALL GLORY AND PRAISE!

RAISING FUNDS FOR THE EXPANSION & FOR DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS.

MAY 9TH
8:00AM - 10:00 AM
DONATION RECEIPTS WILL BE SENT OUT FOR \$25+