



From the Lead Team

Hey Grace family!

Just the other day it hit me again with frosty reality, that we are running short on warmth for the year and the chilling bite of winter is inching closer. A couple weeks ago I was swapping out my summer slicks for my winter tires and it was at that point that I started to take note of various transitions in life.

Some transitions are more mundane like swapping tires on a vehicle, others are shared like the dwindling hours of sunlight or time change (Sunday Nov. 6th by the way), and other transitions yet are more personal; curated for each individual.

I find that the closer I look into these personal transitions, the more I see them as God giving me blessings or opportunities. Some examples of my most recent personal transitions would be things like gaining new coworkers while others retire, my wife and I going from one daughter to 2, and having our 3 year old daughter starting to ask some tougher questions. Questions like where is heaven? How strong is God? God can do anything, right? My wife and I have had loads of opportunities to share God's word with our growing girl. While I certainly wouldn't boast about how consistent my devotional time is, my wife and I have started to be more intentional about reading our Bibles with her which has developed into her joining us in our bed first thing each morning to get some Bible time in to start our day. Talk about dream come true, love seeing her excitement to read God's word!

This transition of my daughters curiosity and

willingness to listen and learn have actually caused me to grow in my walk with God as I recognize that I need to model the behaviours I want to see in my children, as children often grow into reflections of their parents.

All that to say that I firmly believe that God is providing transitions in all our lives in order to bless us, grow us, and for us to give Him honour glory and praise.

- Connor Bergen

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Fall Covenant Community Meeting

Everyone is encouraged to attend the fall meeting on Thursday, November 3 at 7 pm. The agenda includes reports from our various ministries (highlights from 2022) and a proposed amendment to our statement of faith.

Donuts and coffee will be served.

Youth Schedule



Here's our youth schedule for the next few weeks:

- ◆ Next Week (Oct 31 & Nov 2):
Regular nights
- ◆ Nov 7: Junior Youth - small group night
- ◆ Nov 9: Senior Youth - Regular night

Sunday School

A few things we wish to communicate with you:

1. Sunday, October 30th is our Sunday School birthday party. We are celebrating everyone's (age 3- Grade 12) birthdays at once with one big pizza lunch.

2. We are starting to think about our Christmas concert which is on December 18th. We told the kids to think about things that they would be interested in doing whether it be scripture reading, solo/duet, being a part of the nativity etc. All our K-5 will be on stage, and we are really hoping to get our jr. highs and high schoolers involved in some way. The preschoolers will be doing their own little concert at the beginning of the service. Whoever would like to be involved in our prelude, is more than welcome to as well! Within the next couple weeks we will be passing out more information.

3. We are going to be changing our offering project on November 6th. On that day we will start collecting money towards uniforms that will go to the children at Esperanza orphanage. Each uniform is \$40 and our goal is to provide 20 of them! The team from our church plans to go in February and we will be collecting until then.

Any questions please don't hesitate to connect with us!

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Young Adults

We would like to invite young adults including young marrieds with or without children to a free connection lunch after the service on Sunday November 6th. Come and find out ways to get connected!

Childcare

Childcare will be provided for children aged 1-4 during the message portion of our Sunday services beginning this Sunday, Oct 30. Children will be dismissed during the offering portion of the service.

We are still looking for a couple volunteers to help out. Contact Holly Derksen or Wendy for more information.

Coming Events



Oct 30: Baby Dedication 2.0

Several families were unable to participate last Sunday due to various circumstances.

Nov 3: Fall Meeting

7:00 pm. All regular attenders are encouraged to attend.

Nov 6: Communion Service

Young Adults Lunch & Fellowship

Nov 18: Curling Bonspiel

7:00 pm. Sign up at the welcome desk.

Nov 19: Baby Shower

2:00 pm. Donations may be made to Sarah Joy, Wendy or Sheila Bergen.

Nov 27: Baptism

If you are interested in being baptized please talk to one of our pastors.

Baby Dedication

Sunday we will bear witness to 3 families presenting their children in dedication to the Lord.



Hank Cornelius
Zacharias

son of Marlin & Purity
Zacharias

We wish to extend our thanks to those who welcomed us, brought food and gifts, and shared their well wishes. We are excited to be a part of this congregation and make this commitment to raise our son according to the teachings and guidance of Jesus Christ.

Zawadi Henriette Mulume
daughter of Salama &
Sundee Mulume



On October 13th, 2022 our world changed completely, our daughter Zawadi was born. Ever since we found out we were going to be parents we knew this was a great gift and privilege to us from God; we knew that we would do everything we can to raise our daughter in a Christian home, and make sure she felt surrounded by God all through her life.

Because of that, it's very important to us that we would do everything we can to start our daughter's life as one with great purpose and one with great closeness to God. For that reason we choose to dedicate Zawadi to the Lord; she was created and given to us by the Lord, and for that we want to dedicate her life and guide her in the direction of Christ as much as we can. We pray that she will grow up and choose to seek God further in her life.



Lindi Paige Bergen
daughter of Connor &
Allison Bergen

Lindi, we thank God for you each day. We recognize that you are a gift from God that He has entrusted to us.

We will lean on God's strength and wisdom in trials and uncertainties. We will praise God for you in good times and less good times.

We are excited to watch you continue to grow. It is our hope that we, as your parents and this body of believers would shape you and mold you, and that we would point you towards Jesus.

Thank you to our church family for walking beside us and loving on Lindi and our family!

Grace Baby Shower



On Saturday, November 19 at 2 pm all ladies are welcome to come join us to celebrate our 2022 new moms and babies. This year we will be celebrating along with Natasha Giesbrecht (Dalya), Purity Zacharias (Hank) and Sundee Mulume (Zawadi).

If you'd like to make a donation towards the gifts, donations can be made to Sarah Joy Derksen, Wendy Dunham or Sheila Bergen. At Grace, our tradition is to collect funds and purchase gifts based on the needs/wants of each individual family.

You don't need to know the moms to attend the shower. Come out to show support for these new moms!

Prayer and Praise

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

- Marie Klassen
- Katherine Krahn
- Marie Brown
- Anne Enns
- Marilyn Hildebrand
- Linda Hiebert
- Helen Gerbrand
- Mary Friesen
- Dennis Wiebe
- Agnes Giesbrecht
- Maria Loewen
- Karl Redekop
- Henry Hiebert
- Margaret Ayala
- Linda Jenkins
- Abe Hildebrand
- Harv Thiessen

Linda Hiebert continues to deal with multiple health issues including maintaining her blood sugar and requests our prayers. She will be going in for a surgery on November 24.

Thank You

Thank you Church Family for your prayers, support and acts of kindness during my Mom, Mary Demke, passing. She is now living in her Glorified Body!
Blessings. Debbie and John Neufeld

Community Events

RECOVERY of hope
presents

 **Resilience:**
Bouncing back from stress & trauma
with *Andrea Dyck*

Fall Workshop Series 2022

We all want to recover well from the challenges we've faced. How do we support resilience when we're not feeling 'bouncy'?

This workshop, based on the material from Dr. Gordon Neufeld, looks at resilience through the lens of new understandings about the brain, the nature of emotion, and relationships. The implications for working with children are profound, never mind the implications for dealing with stress in our own lives and in the lives of our loved ones. A special focus will be made on understanding resilience for those caring for children, but all are welcome.

Winkler Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00 pm Central Station 555 Main Street	Steinbach Tuesday, November 15 at 7:00 pm Mennonite Heritage Village Museum 231 PTH 12	Winnipeg Thursday, November 24 at 7:00 pm Bethel Mennonite Church 465 Stafford Street
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Email info@recoveryofhope.ca or call 204.477.4673 to register

Registration | \$20



Meet the speaker:
Andrea Dyck | MA Counselling Psychology, CCC

Andrea is a counsellor, parent consultant and educator. She has received extensive training in the Neufeld Institute where she has studied the attachment-based developmental approach, which is applicable to people of all ages. She applies this understanding of relationship and resilience to those she works with, including parents who are seeking to support their children.



Video Camera Operator Needed



We are looking for someone willing to operate the video camera on Sunday mornings. The commitment is only once every 4 weeks. It's a fairly simple job and we'll provide you with training.

Please contact the office if you are interested or have any questions.



SINGIN' in the GRAIN

After two years of virtual concerts, Singin' in the Grain is delighted to invite you to a Live choral concert in support of the Canadian Food Grains Bank (CFGB).

The concert will be held at Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Winkler at 3:00 P.M. on October 30, 2022.

Please consider joining us to enjoy great music, and to support the efforts of CFGB to address food scarcity concerns around the world where they are most urgently needed.