

March 10, 2019

First Sunday of Lent

Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship
Prayer
Worship in Song
Offertory
Prayer Time
Worship in Song
Scripture — Esther 3:1-11
Message
Esther's Dilemma
Closing Song
Benediction

Worship Leader - Pastor Gerry Giesbrecht Song Leader & Pianist - Pastor Gerry Giesbrecht Speaker - Eric Peters Scripture Reading - Esther Klippenstein

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Blumenort Mennonite Church, commit to worship God with our lives, enabled by the Holy Spirit to follow the example of Jesus the Christ.

VERSE FOR THE WEEK

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. John 10: 10

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

YOUTH CENTER

For ages 1-4 during the Sunday morning service. Drop off your child(ren) at 10:15am.

CLUBS

March 13 - regular clubs

THIS WEEK AT YOUTH

MARCH 13

Guest Speaker: Jon Neudorf

UPCOMING

ANNUAL MEETING TODAY

Meeting will take place after the noon meal

GIVING UPDATE

Budget to Date // \$72, 154 income to Date // \$37,714 Needed // \$34,440

MISSIONS

- Ryan Thiessen
- Tyler Loewen
- Murray and Carol Honsberger
- Laure and Her Family
- Eagles Wings Children's Village

PRAYER LIST

We pray for those facing illness, recovery or other difficulties

- Linda Penner and Family
- John and Melissa Wiebe
- Menno Dyck and Family
- Paul J Peters and Family
- Tim Wiebe and Family
- Helen Janzen
- Jake Rempel

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

God, most compassionate and merciful, we thank You that You have come to us in Jesus the Christ, whose disciples we are. Make us strong in Your strength; make us wise in Your wisdom; and make us gentle in Your compassion. May we be signs of the human unity You seek to accomplish through the cross of Jesus, that Your name may be glorified in all the earth. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIFE TRANSITIONS

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

Albert Falk has requested a transfer of membership to Altona Bergthaler Church.

ORGANIZATIONS WE SUPPORT

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Go to mccmb.ca/salt if you are interested in finding out more about, or joining the SALT Program.

MENNONITE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

MCI is hiring a principal for August 2019. For more information go to http://www.mciblues.net or to submit a resume, please email searchteam@mciblues.net.

SALEM HOME

March $21^{\rm st}$ @ 7pm — Information and discussion meeting in multipurpose room. Items to discuss: bed project, status of mortgages, values, scriptures, presentation of the volunteer program.

THE STATION / YFC ALTONA

March $13^{\rm th}$ @ 7pm (Doors open at 6:30pm) at Seeds Church, Altona. Annual Dessert Night Fundraiser. Featuring live music by Henry and Larry Abrams, as well as ministry reports.

WINKLER BIBLE CAMP

March 15th, 16th, and 17th – Dinner Theatre This is for 16+years of age. Doors open at 6pm. Dinner and show at 6:30 pm. For more information call 204-325-9519 or email: info@winklerbiblecamp.com

COMMUNITY EVENTS

MARCH 16 (9AM-4PM)

Bethel Bergthaler invites us to attend a FREE seminar called "Seeing our neighbors as God sees them." It will explore how we approach the diversity of people who come from other countries and who have religious convictions that differ from our own. Lunch and snacks provided.

MARCH 21 (2PM-7PM)

Blood Donor Clinic at the Altona - Rhineland Pioneer Centre.

SEASON OF LENT

Lent is the 40 day period between Ash Wednesday to Easter. It is a time of confession, repentance, and anticipation of the joy of the resurrection morning. The Sunday school invites each of us to join them in memorizing the following passage during this time.

LENTEN MEMORY PASSAGE - ISAIAH 53:3-6 (INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S BIBLE)

3 He was hated and rejected by people. He had much pain and suffering. People would not even look at him. He was hated, and we didn't even notice him. 4 But he took our suffering on him and felt our pain for us. We saw his suffering. We thought God was punishing him. 5 But he was wounded for the wrong things we did. He was crushed for the evil things we did. The punishment, which made us well, was given to him. And we are healed because of his wounds. 6 We all have wandered away like sheep. Each of us has gone his own way. But the Lord has put on him the punishment for all the evil we have done

SPECIAL THANKS

FOOD COMMITTEE

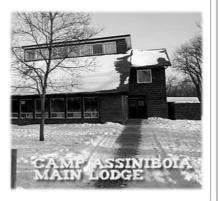
Thanks to the food committee for providing today's noon meal. Your work is much appreciated!

SAVE THE DATE!

CAMP ASSINIBOIA HAS BEEN BOOKED FOR 2020!

Dates: February 7-9, 2020!! Mark your calendars!!

Family Rate is \$250, so for easy budgeting, saving \$20-\$30/month will ensure that your retreat cost doesn't break the bank! And for single people \$10/month will more than cover the \$75 cost!



WEEKLY SERVICES & HOURS

SUNDAY SCHOOL // 9:15am CHILDREN'S CHURCH // 10:15am SUNDAY SERVICE // 10:30am

WEDNESDAYS

Clubs (Grade 3-6) // 7:00-8:30pm Youth (Grade 7-12) // 7:00-9:15pm

SERMON NOTES

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CLASSES

WEEKLY

For anyone ages 3-Grade 12. The children's classes usually meet in the sanctuary for singing together before heading to their classes.

YOUNG ADULT'S CLASS

WEEKLY

The young adult's class meets in the Youth Pastor's office which is the first door on your right as you come up the stairs in to the education wing, (it has a big window in it). Currently they are doing a video study on the book of Mark through rightnow media.

WOMEN'S CLASS

WEEKLY

The women's class meets in the downstairs corner classroom. If you walk in the east doors, it is directly down the bssement stairs.

MEN'S CLASS

WEEKLY

Garry Fehr usually leads the men's Sunday school class. They are meeting downstairs in the classroom across from the library near the bathroom.

SENIOR'S CLASS

WEEKLY

The Senior's class meets in the room across from the Youth Pastor's office.

DOWNSTAIRS CLASS

WEEKLY

Al Friesen and Geoff Loewen lead a class that meets in the fellowship hall in the basement.

MARRIAGE CLASS

JANUARY 20-MARCH 24

Jake and Ingrid Friesen just started a class for those who are recently married, engaged, or thinking they might one day get married. They meet in the Large Classroom in the Education wing.

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