

Giving Update

Budget to date: \$392, 304
Income to date: \$284, 847
Needed: \$107, 457



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Sermon Notes



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Church Calendar

Dec 8 - Dave Rempel/2nd Advent
Dec 15 - Herb Franz/3rd Advent
Dec 22 - Sunday School Program

Prayer list-Werner & Marlene Ens

Missions - Kendra Fehr, Ryan Thiessen,
Joshua Dyck (CCBR) Murray & Carol Honsberger,
Eagles Wings Children's Village

Community Announcements

~Winkler Bible Camp - December 2-15

Christmas Glow in the Country a fundraising event put on by Winkler Bible Camp, is a great way to spend quality time with your family or friends and celebrate the season! Come take a leisurely drive through the 2 km route in the comfort of your vehicle, tune your radio to our Christmas Glow station and enjoy the festive displays and goodies. Reserve your tickets online or call 204-325-9519.

~**Cottonwood Community Drama** presents the classic Dickens tale: A Christmas Carol! Dec. 5-8th in Buhler Hall, Gretna. Buy your tickets today at www.mciblues.net or by calling 204-327-5891.

~One Hope Canada

Join us for a Christmas Carol Concert & Sing -Along on December 8th at 4pm at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall in Winkler. Directed by Howard Bredin with special guests The Chapel Brass & Male Chorus.

~**Mennonite Collegiate Institute** invites you to ring in the Christmas season with us on Dec. 19th at 7:30pm. Join us in Buhler Hall for our Christmas Concert! All are welcome.



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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.

Worship Leader: Karla Fehr
Speaker: Gerry Giesbrecht
Song Leader: Presley Schroeder
Offertory: Ed Hildebrandt, Jeremy Hildebrandt, and Bennett Friesen

Date: December 1, 2024

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Memorial Sunday/First Advent

Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship
Advent Candle Lighting
Worship in Song
Congregational Prayer
Offering
Memorial
Worship in Song
Scripture Reading -Isaiah 9:2-7
Message - "The Light of the World"
Closing Song
Benediction

Verse for the Week

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness
has not overcome it."
John 1:5 NIV

Prayer for the Week

God, thank you for the coming of your son, Jesus!
May we follow His example every day in how we live
and love those around us.

Church Announcements

~Welcome to our annual Memorial Worship Service. We want to recognize all those who have passed away from our midst during this past year. We deeply miss those who are absent from our lives, yet we are also grateful for their life of faith and for the hope of the resurrection through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

~As was discussed at the annual meeting, church council would like to recommend hiring Rudy Franz for the position of interim pastor for the period of 18 months. We would like to hold a vote of affirmation on December 15th during the Sunday morning worship service.

~You are all invited to attend BMC's annual children's Christmas program December 22 during the service. Dress rehearsal will take place Saturday morning December 21, 9:00 at church. All children attending Sunday school are expected. A note to parents: your child received their lines last Sunday during class. If you could please help and encourage them to memorize their lines that would be most appreciated. Thank you!

~" We were all smiling after our worship service last Sunday as we gathered around the smile cookies gifted by your congregation! Thank you so much!
-Altona Berghaler Church."

This week at BMC

Tuesday, Dec 3 -Mom's morning out at 9:30 am in the church basement.

We welcome ladies of ALL ages!

Wednesday, Dec 4- Clubs program for ALL grade 3-6 kids - 7:00-8:30 pm

Thursday, Dec 5, 7:00 pm Secret Sisters special evening event in the fellowship hall.

Deacon Ministry

-Seth & Erica Klassen - 384-7384, 332-1690
-Kevin & Helen Krahn - 324-4395, 304-1521,
(H) 327-5448.

We invite you to contact us anytime if you have prayer requests, need someone to talk to would like a visit, or have anything specific we can help with.

BMC Church Retreat

Save the date for our annual BMC Church Retreat on Jan. 31 to Feb. 2 at Camp Arnes. Our speaker will be Jeff Banman on the topic "Politics with Jesus". Full weekend: \$275. /Family, \$175. /Couple and \$75/individual. For those that want to come for the Sunday Morning Service only, please sign up as well if you are staying for lunch. Lunch cost is \$10. /Adult and \$5. /Child. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer, with the online sign-up coming soon. Deadline will be in the beginning of January. If you have never attended a retreat before, give it a try. We hope to see you there! from the Education Committee

~For those of you who normally receive the "Rejoice devotional" in your mailboxes, there is a shipping delay so please find your first two weeks of December photocopies in your mailbox.

Youth (Grades 7-12) Calendar

December 4 - Christmas Carolling in Rosetown
December 11 - Christmas Party (Last youth night before Christmas)