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9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Sunday In-person Worship at 10 AM

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Pianist – Grace F.

Worship Leader – Elaine D.

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Gathering Song VT #11 *Mountain of God*

Responsive Reading *Know and Serve the Lord with Gladness*

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all peoples!

Serve God with gladness – rejoice!

People: Enter these gates with thanksgiving and praise!

Serve God with gladness – rejoice!

Leader: Know that the Lord is God!

It is God who has made us and not we ourselves.

People: We are God's people, the sheep of God's pasture.

Know and serve God with gladness.

Leader: Know and serve God with a whole heart
and a willing mind.

**People: For the Lord searches all hearts and understands
every plan and thought.**

Leader: If you search for God, you will find God.

People: Know and serve God with gladness!

All: Know and serve God with gladness!

Praise Song VT #34 *We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer*

Opportunities, Offering, and Sharing Prayer Lois Bukar

Reading *The Growing Seed* Elaine and Shirley

Song ST #56 *Unless a grain of wheat*

Scripture reading Mark 4:26-32

Anna W.

Message

Matt D.

Response Song HWB #454 *Seed, scattered and sown*

Benediction

Sending Song SJ #73 *The Lord lift you up*

Postlude

Radio broadcast today at 11 AM

Friday 2 pm Ladies coffee time at Smitty's will be **postponed** to the 23rd.

Next Sunday speaker will be **Doug Klassen** in person
Executive Minister of Mennonite Church Canada

Pray for:

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones
- Nic as he continues chemo
- our Leadership Team
- safe holiday travel
- Swift Current: Victory Family Church
- Mennonite Church Sask: Tiefengrund Rosenort
Mennonite Church near Laird, summer intern pastor
Zachary Stefaniuk
- fires in BC
- the political situation in Haiti, Colombia and Ethiopia

Please Note: only **Sharing Time** will be **muted**,
not Announcements or pastoral Prayer.

Check the **Worship Schedule chart** on the bulletin board
beside the Nursery door to see **what's planned** for summer
and to **sign up for contributions**.

Calling for **volunteers for September delivery of Meals
on Wheels** as restrictions will be lifted. Contact the Church
Office if you are willing and able.

Financial Update: donations for **June** were \$9200.

Pastor Lois will be taking **holidays July 16 – 30** inclusive.
In an **emergency** contact **Joy Jarrett** Spiritual Care or
Brian Reimer or **Margaret Dyck** Leadership Team.

Voices Together hymnals are available to be picked up
as an alternative to singing from the screen.

Responding to Residential School revelations

Over the last month and a half, more than a thousand unmarked graves have been identified at the sites of church-run residential schools. The discovery, long spoken-of by survivors, has shaken Indigenous communities and settler society. How might we respond?

As we lament the violence of the residential schools, we need to learn more about the settler-colonial structures that created them. We need to support those who are addressing the past and present harms:

- Consider listening to recent podcasts from the [Assembly of First Nations](#).
- Reflect on the ways that Mennonites have been involved in the Indian School System: see [Confessing the Past](#)
- Prayerfully read through the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action, and discern what action you can learn more about and respond to.
- Follow [Reconciliation Thunder](#)'s #94in94 campaign which is highlighting one Call per day toward September 30, the first National Day of Truth and Reconciliation.
- [Donate](#) to one of the many groups that are supporting the ongoing work of survivors in their quest for justice.