

OUR CONFERENCE AND COMMUNITY

SASK CONFERENCE OF MB CHURCHES

National MB Meetings

Please lift up in prayer the provincial and national leaders who are meeting this week in Abbotsford, BC to discuss matters related to our national and provincial ministries (Dec. 13-19).

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

MCC Connects – This Christmas give a gift that gives back! The 2018 MCC Christmas catalogue has gifts of all sizes. Start a new family tradition, join with friends or colleagues and make a difference in the lives of people around the world! Visit mcccanada.ca/Christmas to find the perfect gift!

REDBERRY BIBLE CAMP

Staff applications are now available for Summer 2019!! If you are interested in serving in any way at Redberry this summer please check out our website: www.redberrybiblecamp.com

CANADIAN MENNONITE UNIVERSITY

Pray for CMU students as they write exams to complete their Fall Semester courses. CMU will be closed Dec 24, 2018 to Jan 1, 2019, re-opening Jan 2, with Winter Semester classes beginning on Jan 7.

CHURCH FAMILY ACTIVITIES

LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups are a vital part of Faith River. We have a number of different small groups that meet between Sundays to cultivate Kingdom Mission, Grace-Filled Community, and Personal Spiritual Development in the hearts and lives of people who want to engage in this way.

If you are interested in being connected with a group, please contact our Life Group Team Leader:
Steven Schmidt – 306-231-1070 or stevenschmidt.d@gmail.com

LIFE GROUP TIMES & PLACES

Falk/Bert-Vidal – Mondays/Wednesdays
Anderson – Tuesdays
Wiebe/Neufeld – Tuesdays
Schmidt's/Pauls – Tuesdays
Ruten/Falk – Wednesdays
Yu/Zhang – Wednesdays
Stein – Thursdays
Frostad/Penner – Thursdays

PRAYER **Cheryl Pauls – Leader**

Prayer Chain – Contact Cheryl at cherylberniepauls@gmail.com or 306-222-7880 for urgent prayer needs.

Monthly Church Prayer Meeting – Tuesday, January 8 at 7 pm at the church.

Sunday Morning Prayer – Join us at 9:20 to pray with the worship team and those involved in the service, then continue on until 10:20.

COMING EVENTS

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| Dec 5 | 10 am | Mom's group at the church |
| Dec 9 | 6 pm | Caroling and Games Night at the church |
| Dec 16 | 10:30 am | Choir performance |
| Dec 24 | 6:30 pm | Christmas Eve Service |
| Jan 8 | 7 pm | Prayer meeting at the church |
| Jan 13 | 12 pm | Soup & Bun Fundraiser for the Aparecidas |
| Jan 20 | 12 pm | Let's Talk potluck |

PRAY FOR MISSIONS AT HOME AND AWAY

In Saskatoon:

GERRY AND SHIRLEY FALK with [InterVarsity](#) – Pray for Christian students during final exams, that they would reserve time to be refreshed in Jesus.

ARNOLD STOBBE with [Impact Canada Ministry](#)

JOELINE MAGILL with [Hope Restored Canada](#)

Around the World:

Thailand: REBECCA HIEBERT with [MB Mission](#) – Please pray with us today and tomorrow as Hope Center leaders are meeting together to listen to God together, share vision, and plan for the coming year. Please also pray for Wannay and Noey as they prepare to be baptized next week!

Montana: RYAN AND AUBREE PAULS with [YWAM](#) – I (Ryan) have been offered a new position as Personnel at YWAM MT. To give Aubree more flexibility in working towards her nursing degree, we are moving to a new house off campus. Please pray as we take these transitional steps. For more details, check out our blog: <https://ryanpauls.wixsite.com/website/blog/big-changes>

Portugal: GIVAS & CHRISTINA FEHR APARECIDA with [Operation Mobilization](#) – We will be in Ontario until Dec 11 connecting with OM Canada and also sharing with new churches. Pray for a productive and blessed time.

Thailand: [MB Mission](#) – JUNJI & HITOMI NUKAGA – Please pray for church planting and leadership development among the Khmu. Pray also for the ministry at the Changed Life Center.

Please take a recent prayer letter from the letter slots beside the Missions Bulletin Board to read and pray at home.

SUNDAY

WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 AM

Worship Leadership Team This Sunday:

Creative Leader **Janet Masich**
 Music Leader **Randy Pauls**
 Host **Janet Masich**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY **Jenny Klassen – Leader**

Children's Bulletins – Activity pages are available for ages 3-6 and 7-12 to work on during the service. Located at the back of the sanctuary.

Children's Church – For children ages 2-5 during the service

ADULT GATHERING **Allan Dowdeswell – Leader**

For all of December there will be no lesson or study in the meeting area in order to allow for choir practise. We are looking forward to starting up again in the new year, and looking for volunteers to lead, and ideas/suggestions for speakers and topics. Please pray for our ministry and contact Allan Dowdeswell by email: allan@dowdeswell.ca or by cell phone: 306-280-3541 with your feedback.

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

Sunday mornings at 9:20 am.

CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH

Sunday mornings at **9-10:15 am** in the church basement.

OFFERING UPDATE

Attendance last week: 118

Offering last week: \$5041.55

FINANCE UPDATE AS OF OCTOBER 31

RENOVATIONS PROJECT UPDATE AS OF NOV 25, 2018

| | 2018 | 2017 (Comparison) | | |
|---------------------|---------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| | | | Target | 13,782 |
| Income | 125,820 | 125,865 | Cash/pledges received | (13,370) |
| Expense | 121,940 | 130,150 | | |
| Surplus (shortfall) | 3,880 | (4,285) | Still needed | 412 |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meal Train

Let's welcome baby Jayna to the world by giving Chris and Shae Frostad a bit of a reprieve from cooking. If you would like to provide a meal, you can sign up here: <https://mealtrain.com/vw4zr6>

Caroling and Games Night Tonight

We invite you and your family to come caroling throughout the church neighbourhood **tonight at 6pm**. At **6:45** we will meet back at the church for snacks and games. A light supper will be provided. Please bring your favourite board game and a Christmas snack to share.

Christmas Choir

We will be practicing once more next Sunday, Dec. 16 at 9:30am. Join us that morning in the worship service as we perform our Christmas songs!

Office Hours: Wednesday to Thursday, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm
 Pastor's Hours: Tuesday to Friday, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Please send weekly bulletin announcements, updates and notices to the church office any time throughout the week until **Thursday at noon.**

December 9, 2018

Advent: Peace
Isaiah 9:6-7

Michael Anderson