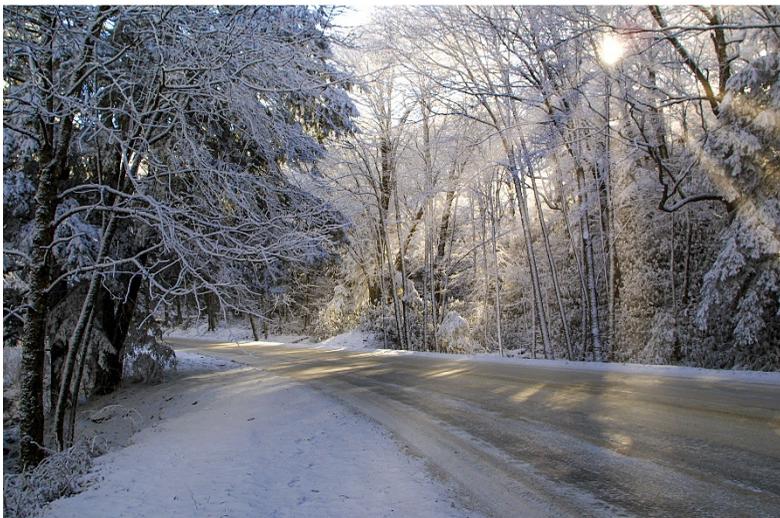


Fort Garry Evangelical Mennonite Church Sunday Jan 12, 2020



WORSHIP SERVICE

Worship Leader: Len Harms
Song Leader: Muehling PG
Soundperson: Tim Muehling
Powerpoint: Don Kroeker

Prelude

Congregational Singing

- We Are Gathered
- I Believe in Jesus

Call to Worship

Psalm 29 The Voice of God in a Great Storm

Leader: ¹Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. ²Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

People: ³The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters. ⁴The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

Leader: ⁵The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon. ⁶He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

People: ⁷The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire. ⁸The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

Leader: ⁹The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!" ¹⁰The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

People: ¹¹May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

Prayer

Announcements

Congregational Singing

- As I went Down in the River

Prayer of Confession and Assurance

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

¹Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. ²He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; ³a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. ⁵Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: ⁶I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, ⁷to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. ⁸I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. ⁹See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Acts 10:34-42 Gentiles Hear the Good News

³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That

message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Introduction of Speakers

Ed Barkman

Faith Stories

Ruth Friesen
Glenda Friesen

Congregational Singing

- He Leadeth Me #439
- I Need Thee Every Hour #340

Prayers of the People

Offering & Offertory

Glenda Friesen
Ruth Friesen

Doxology

Congregational Singing

- I Will Follow

Benediction

Postlude

We invite you to memorize our theme passage, 1 Corinthians 1:4-9, as we explore the first three chapters of 1 Corinthians in the weeks before Lent (January 19 - February 23). Please take time to read through the entire book in the weeks ahead or even the whole book in one sitting to get a feel for it as a complete unit. Throughout the book, Paul urges "God's People to Mature in Unity and Purity." We also look forward to hearing the stories of where we see God at work in the lives of individuals within our congregation and the church as a whole.



- Children's (pre-school and elementary school age) Sunday School in the basement
- **Youth (gr.7-12) in the youth room, L25, downstairs with Grant Plett and Derek Martens**
- EAL Youth in the classroom beside the kitchen in L24

- **College & Career -Faith Story Review with Erin Toews**
- Adults in the sanctuary - video and discussion
- **Bible Class for EAL Adults in the boardroom upstairs**

Remembering One Another

- Diane Eidse's Mother, Elma Bluhm, passed away over the holidays. Please pray for Robert and Diane as they go into the new year with heavy hearts.
- Thanks for all the hard work the Nominating Committee (Sharon Harms, Janna Olfert, Marcia Fonseca, Norm Hiebert and Dennis Brandt) has done over the last few months to prepare for our annual meeting. Pray for those being nominated, that God would prepare their hearts and minds to serve.
- Pray for Trish Krobek, the church treasurer, who is working diligently to put together our new 2020 budget with many unknowns. May she be filled with wisdom, good health and joy during this busy month.

Fort Garry News

Deacon Group Lunches

A year or so ago the deacons put all church attendees into groups to help us be more efficient in attending to needs in the congregation. At that time, you were notified as to whose group you were in. In January and February, we are planning Sunday Potluck lunches with each of these groups... You will be receiving an email from your deacon(s) shortly to give you more information, but here is the schedule so you can save the date...

January 19 Grant & Celia Plett's Group
January 26 Yi Zhang & Jen Zheng's Group
February 2 Adina Doerksen & Mel Klassen's Group
February 9 Melissa Marten & Michelle MacGibbon's Group

If you are not in a group yet, and/or you do not receive an email, please contact a deacon to let us know or email Donita Reimer at the office fortgarryemc@mymts.net so everyone can be included.

- Fort Garry EMC's 2020 Nomination Slate is in the mailboxes today. There are also extras on the table at the back. If you are not sure whether you have a mailbox check the new directory. If you are not listed, please let Donita Reimer know in the office.

- Thank you to Justin Cheng for organizing and leading a meaningful worship service on New Year's Eve. Thank you to the musicians Carmen Friesen and Marcus Friesen. Thanks to all who attended and brought delicious food for the fellowship time.

- Thank you to the Saturday Evening Advent Service planning team! This includes Danica Friesen, Janna Olfert, and Glenda Friesen. Special thanks to Russ Plett for organizing all the soup and bread meals, and for all who made the delicious soups and bread. Thanks to Karen Schellenberg, Glenda Friesen, and Cameron McKenzie for leading the services.

- **IT'S HERE! The first draft of the 2020 address directory is on the table in the foyer. Please make any additions or deletions to your name, address or phone number to make it correct. When or if it is correct please put a big check mark beside it. Photos are still being collected at the office for the pictorial directory.**

- Four of our deacons will be completing terms of service - Yi Zhang & Jen Zhou, Melissa Martens and Michelle McGibbon. We are thankful for the dedication and care these people have brought to this life-giving, but often behind-the-scenes, work. Because of these up-coming vacancies, Council is requesting nominations for deacons. A nomination may be for a couple or an individual who is a member of FG EMC. Please submit your nominations to any member of Council (Corinne Klassen, Derek Klassen, Dean Olfert, Josh Muehling, Dennis Brandt, Todd Friesen and Linda Peddie) by today, January 12, 2020.

- **LAST CALL!** Committee Chairpersons and Department Heads, if you have not submitted your reports to Derek Klassen, derekklassen@gmail.com yet, please do so immediately.

- Are you interested in being baptized or transferring your membership to Fort Garry EMC this spring? If so, please let Pastor Len Harms or Donita Reimer in the office know of your interest. Plans are in the works for classes for both of these significant milestones.

2019 Donation Summary

Jan. 1 - Nov. 30 donations	\$289,405
December donations	66,278
Total 2019 Donations	\$355,683
Budget for 2019 Donations	\$334,320
2019 Surplus	\$ 21,363

This Week

Tuesday, 7:30pm
 Council Meeting in the Boardroom

Wednesday, 7:30pm
 College and Career - Presentation & Discussion about Media
 Hosted by Nick Wiebe at 190 Montgomery Ave. Rides available
 From the church at 7:00pm.

Thursday, 7:30pm
 Youth - Quest Night at the Church

Friday, 9-10am
 Hour of Prayer in the Boardroom - Everyone is welcome!

Coming Events

Sunday, January 19
 Next week is Communion Sunday, participants are invited to bring canned or dry goods as a practical act of hospitality for people needing extra nourishment during the cold winter months in Winnipeg.

Tuesday, Jan. 21 7:30pm
 Trustee Meeting in the Boardroom

Saturday, Jan. 25, 9:00am
Fort Garry EMC's Annual Meeting
Please bring a plate of muffins (no citrus) to share
Coffee and tea will be provided.

Friday, Feb. 7 - Sunday, Feb. 9
 Missionfest Manitoba at Church of the Rock

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