

Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church
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Worship Service
Sunday, September 1, 2024
9:30 a.m.

Prelude – Lori Klassen

Worship in Song – Mark Elias
MH 296 *Sweet Hour Of Prayer*

Welcome, Announcements, Call to Worship, Prayer – Alvin Thiessen

Offering/Offertory – Jack Elias

Worship in Song – Mark Elias
MH 325 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*
MH 573 *All The Way My Savior Leads Me*

Scripture Reading – Elsie Rempel
John 6:25-59

Message – Pastor Dean Huber
Jesus, the Bread of Life

Worship in Song – Mark Elias
MH 594 *We Have Heard A Joyful Sound*

Prayer & Benediction – Pastor Dean Huber

Postlude – Lori Klassen

Sound: John Penner

Video: Peter Froese

Computer: Brad Funk

Pastor Dean Huber
Pastor Vic Engbrecht

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Sunday, September 8, 2024

10:00 a.m. Worship Service: Donovan Epp

This week at Winkler Bergthaler

Monday Office Closed – Labour Day

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. Women's Prayer Meeting

Focus on Missions

N.P.C. Lighthouse

Life in the Church

On Sunday, September 8, the church service will begin at 10:00 a.m. with potluck to follow in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up sheets will be in the foyer this Sunday for helping and for bringing food.

Sunday School begins September 15th following the service.

Wednesday Bible Study begins September 18th at 2:00 p.m.

Discovery Groups begin September 18th at Crocus at 2:00 p.m. and at Oakview Terrace at 7:00 p.m.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped prepare and run our VBS program! Your willingness to give your time was so appreciated and encouraging. THANK YOU also to those who prayed. It was a true whole church effort.

Upcoming deacon nominations will be held on Sunday, September 8th and close on Sunday, September 15. Please take time to read the informational insert in the bulletin.

Dennis Derksen has declined nomination for the coming term.

Anne Thiessen has moved to Buhler Home for care. Please pray for her.

George B. Elias has moved from Morden to 904-350 4th Street (Cedar Estates) Winkler.

Serving God & Serving God's People As a Deacon

Deacon work in our congregation includes the following:

- Visit and help the materially poor and needy
- Visit the sick in hospitals
- Visit people in their homes
- Assist the pastors with baptism
- Prepare and serve communion
- Assist and accompany the pastor in anointing services
- Providing spiritual leadership through their work
- Assist as required, with arbitrating difficult situations between parishioners in the church
- Model strong Christian character
- Help to plan the work of the Ministerial body
- Other services as circumstantially required

Acts 6:1-6

¹In those days when the number of disciples was increasing, the Grecian Jews among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. ²So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, "It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables. ³Brothers, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them ⁴and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word." ⁵This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit; also Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas from Antioch, a convert to Judaism. ⁶They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

1 Timothy 3:1-12

¹Here is a trustworthy saying: If anyone sets his heart on being an overseer, he desires a noble task. ²Now the overseer must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, ³not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. ⁴He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect. ⁵(If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?) ⁶He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. ⁷He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap.

⁸**Deacons, likewise,** are to be men worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain. ⁹They must keep hold of the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience. ¹⁰They must first be tested; and then if there is nothing against them, let them serve as deacons. ¹¹In the same way, their wives are to be women worthy of respect, not malicious talkers but temperate and trustworthy in everything. ¹²A deacon must be the husband of but one wife and must manage his children and his household well. ¹³Those who have served well gain an excellent standing and great assurance in their faith in Christ Jesus.

DEACON NOMINATIONS FOR 2024

Our deacons fulfill an important role. As part of the Ministerial, they are responsible for the spiritual direction and ministry of our church. They minister to physical, emotional and spiritual needs within the congregation in a variety of ways, using the gifts which God has given them.

Who may nominate? Active members of Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church may submit nominations.

Who may be nominated? Active members of Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church may be nominated.

How many may be nominated? Each member may nominate 6 (six) members.

Who are the scrutineers? The Ministerial will function as scrutineers for the deacon election.

What is the process?

August 25, September 1: Deacon election process announced.

Nomination begins Sept 8th and closes Sept. 15th.

Two weeks before the November Membership Meeting, candidates will be announced in the bulletin.

Deacon election at the Quarterly November Membership Meeting. A 2/3 majority is required to be elected as a deacon. Those elected will begin their term on January 1, 2025.

Members who are already serving should not be nominated.

Deacons presently serving:

	<u>Term Expires</u>		
Dennis Derksen	2024	Jake Klassen	2025
Jake Froese	2025	Henry Neufeld	2025
Bill Siemens	2025	George Elias	2026

What is required of you?

- * Pray regularly for the election process.
- * Pray for discernment in nominating and pray for preparation for the call to serve.
- * Nomination ballots will be collected on Sunday, September 8th and Sunday, September 15th during our worship service. If you are unable to attend either of the worship services, please bring your ballot to the church office or put it in the suggestion box prior to 1 PM, September 15th.

Ballot for 6 Deacons.

Our present need:

We would like to elect 6 deacons. We would like to have a total of at least 10.

Deacon Nominations:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

For those who did not receive a ballot, or lost theirs, additional ballots will be available at the church office until Friday, September 6th and at our worship service on September 8th.

Church Family - Praises and Concern

Persons with Health Needs

Manitou Care Home:	Abe A. Friesen, Sadie Wiebe
Notre Dame Care Home:	Ella Neufeld
Swan Lake Care Home:	Mary Sawatzky
BTHC:	Harry Hildebrand
Altona Hospital:	Sadie Bergen

Birthdays This Week

Chris Dyck	02	Henry Hamm	02
Erna Suderman	04	Tina Suderman	04
Wayne Klassen	05	Irene Krahn	05
Trudy Friesen	05		

Anniversaries This Week

Frank & Edna Peters	September 4, 1964	60
John & Kylene Penner	September 8, 2013	11
Abe A. & Dora Friesen	September 8, 1957	67
Jake & Linda Klassen	September 8, 1974	50
Bert & Judy Pauls	September 8, 1984	40

Scripture for This Week

- Romans 15:1-6
 - Psalm 55:16-23
 - Jeremiah 4:1-4
 - 1 Peter 2:9-12
 - 1 Corinthians 3:3-9
 - Deuteronomy 2:1-7
 - John 17:6-17
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Community and Other Events

Pembina Valley Bible Camp

Join us for Pembina Valley Bible Camp's 25th Annual Ride-A-Thons!

Friday, Sept 13: Horse Clinics (advanced registration required)

Saturday, Sept 14: Trail Ride (advanced registration required)

Sunday, Sept 15: Cowboy Church Service (open to the public) & Fundraiser Pig-Roast Project

Support a great cause! All proceeds from the weekend will benefit PVBC's Barn Renovation Project. For more info and to register, visit peminavalleybiblecamp.com. Mark your calendars and register now for Friday and Saturday's events!

BTHC Palliative Care

Boundary Trails Health Centre Palliative Care Program is looking for volunteers who want to make a difference in their community.

Volunteer Education Sessions will be Monday Oct 7th 9am-3pm and Monday Oct.21st 9am-3pm at Christian Life Centre. Registration deadline is Friday, Sept. 27th. For more information and to register for this volunteer opportunity please contact: Jerri-Ann Froese E-jefroese@southernhealth.ca T- (204) 331-8815

Winkler Bible Camp

Join us for a Car Show Fundraiser on September 8th from 12 pm - 4 pm! There will be a collection of classic (and some not-so-classic) vehicles, food for purchase and kids activities available including Gaga, Carpet Ball and Connect 4. All proceeds will go towards sending kids to Summer Camp! This event is presented by Cruiz for Kidz and Winkler Bible Camp.

Frontiers

Jesus for Muslims, Frontiers fundraiser banquet is being held September 28 at 6:00 p.m. at the Winnipeg Evangelical Free Church. They Keynote Speaker is Dr. Bob Blincoe. Register at frontiers.ca/fundraise

Quotes

...the earliest expression of this intimate union with and participation of Christ, is set forth under the image of **“eating the Bread of life”** (Jn. 6:50), **accepting the truth** of the Divine commission and nature of the Christ, **admitting the fact** that he came down from heaven, that he came with **measureless capacity** and **resources to satisfy the hunger and thirst of mankind**, to give **eternal life**, and to **raise up** the possessors of eternal life at the last day (Jn. 6:35–40).

Spence-Jones, H. D. M., ed. (1909). St. John (Vol. 1, p. cv). Funk & Wagnalls Company.

All the cravings of their souls are stilled; all the yearnings of their hearts are satisfied with his gracious presence who is the Bread of life.

Spence-Jones, H. D. M., ed. (1909). St. Matthew (Vol. 2, p. 71). Funk & Wagnalls Company.

Custodians: Edwin Siemens, Jay Froese
Office Hours: Monday & Friday 9:00 – 12:00; 1:00 - 3:00
Tuesday-Thursday 8:30-3:00
Administrative Secretary: Ashley Elias, Carey Martens