

Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church
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Worship Service

Sunday, October 4, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

**THEME: WE MUST NOT LIMIT OUR COMPASSION TO PEOPLE WE LIKE
OR CONSIDER DESERVING**

Prelude – Irene Krahn

Worship in Song – Helen Reimer
There is a Fountain

Welcome, Announcements, Call to Worship Prayer – Art Klassen

Offering/Offertory – Ramona Elias

Worship in Song – Helen Reimer
I Hear the Savior Say
When I Survey MH 165

Scripture Reading – John Giesbrecht
Jonah 4:1-11

Sermon – Pastor Dean Huber
The Sin of Selective Compassion

Communion

Prayer & Benediction – Pastor Dean Huber

Worship in Song – Helen Reimer
The Blessing

Next Sunday, October 11, 2026

9:30 a.m. Worship Service - Thanksgiving

This week at Winkler Bergthaler

Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Prayer Meeting
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Morning Prayer Time
	2:00 p.m.	Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study

Focus on Missions

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Pembina Valley Bible Camp

Church Family Information

Ike Suderman passed away on September 24th. The Celebration of Life was held on September 30. He was a husband to Erna, and a brother to Herb & MaryAnne Loewen. Please remember the family in prayer.

Thank you to the worship teams, musicians, vocalists, instrumentalists, and song leaders of our church as they spend many hours in preparation to lead us in worship on Sunday mornings.

Diligent prayer Reminder: Please remember our call for a lead pastor for WBMC in your prayers. Philippians 4:6, Do not be anxious about anything but in everything by prayer and petition with thanksgiving present your request to God. Mark 11:24, Therefore I tell you ask for in prayer believe that you have received it and it will be yours.

Sunday School will resume on **October 18th** following the service.

Wednesday afternoon Bible study will start on **October 7**. The study will initiate with *The Epistle to James* chapter five.

The Men's Prayer Breakfast will be held on **October 17 at 9:00 am**.

Our Missions Fall Supper is coming up on Tuesday, October 20 from 5-7 p.m. Everyone is welcome, bring a friend!

There Is A Fountain

Verse 1

There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains
Lose all their guilty stains
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains

Verse 2

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day
And there may I though vile as he
Wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away
Wash all my sins away
And there may I though vile as he
Wash all my sins away

Verse 3

Dear dying Lamb Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its pow'r
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more
Be saved to sin no more
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more

Verse 4

E'er since by faith I saw the stream thy flowing wounds supply
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die
And shall be till I die
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die

Verse 5

When this poor lisping stamm'ring tongue
Lies silent in the grave
Then in a nobler sweeter song
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save, i'll sing Thy pow'r to save
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save
Then in a nobler sweeter song
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save, Amen.

I Hear the Savior Say

Verse 1

I hear the Saviour say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray
Find in Me thine all in all

Chorus

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

Verse 2

Lord now indeed I find
Thy power and Thine alone
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone

Verse 3

For nothing good have I
Whereby Thy grace to claim
I'll wash my garments white
In the blood of Calvary's Lamb

Verse 4

And when before the throne
I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save
My lips shall still repeat

The Blessing

Verse 1

May the peace of our God go before you,
May his love and his favor surround you,
As you live in the light of his presence,
As you walk in his will and his way
May the Lord make his face shine upon you;
And I pray he will bless you and keep you
On the road that for you he has chosen
May his joy be with you day by day

Verse 2

Thru' life's trials and in all its pleasure,
Look to him as your help and your treasure
You can rest in the truth of his promise
That his grace is sufficient always
O remember he never will fail you
And he'll never, no never forsake you
Step by step he will prove that he's faithful
And your heart will rejoice with his praise

Verse 3

May the arm of our Saviour uphold you
May he strengthen you, guide you, sustain you
For in him we have hope and assurance
There is comfort and fellowship sweet
Follow him in the paths that are righteous
Trust the Lord, he is tender and gracious
He'll supply all your need by his riches
The Good Shepherd will care for his sheep

Quotes

And it is **amazing** how we can be **selective** **with the Bible**. We can be **selective** with the **teachings of Jesus**. We often hear people claim to love the psalms but **once in a while** there is that **psalm** we read and **take no notice** of it. An example is Psalm 82 that refers to **defending the cause** of the **weak** and **fatherless**, maintaining the **rights of the poor** and **oppressed**.

Kendall, R. T. (2004). The Judgment Seat of Christ (pp. 215–216). Christian Focus.

1. What examples of **selective** **obedience** can you see in today's evangelical church?
2. What can you do to **develop a more merciful** **spirit**?

Ellsworth, R. (2009). Opening up James (p. 88). Day One Publications.

I explain that **selective** **attention** is like viewing a situation through **a camera lens** that is **focused** to only **one small aspect** of the **picture**. In this case, the only thing the person is going to see is what the camera lens is focused on. It is important to **back up the lens** in order to allow the picture **to contain all aspects of the scene** in order **to get an accurate view** of the **situation**.

American Association of Christian Counselors. (2005). Caring for People God's Way (T. Clinton, A. Hart, & G. Ohlschlager, Eds.; p. 198). Nelson Reference and Electronic.

Having **mercy** or showing **compassion** must **involve some act** of **kindness** or **concern**.

Louw, J. P., & Nida, E. A. (1996). In Greek-English lexicon of the New Testament: based on semantic domains (electronic ed. of the 2nd edition., Vol. 1, p. 750). United Bible Societies.

Persons receiving care away from home

Boundary Trails Health Centre:

Harold Rempel

Rock Lake Hospital Crystal City:

Peter Penner

Pembina Manitou Health Care Centre:

Marge Thiessen

Altona Hospital:

Viola Suderman

Birthdays This Week

Erma Froese	07	Lena Unrau	09
Erna Thiessen	10	Gordon F. Suderman	10
Elizabeth Dyck	10		

Scripture Reading for Devotions this week

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| •Galatians 2:19-21 | •Hebrews 12:1-7, 10, 14 |
| •Acts 2:1-6, 36-27 | •Numbers 22:22-23, 25-31 |
| •2 Corinthians 4:7-18 | •Jude 1:20-23 |
| •Deuteronomy 10:12-15 | |
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Community Events

Pembina Valley Bible Camp

Come out to Pembina Valley Bible Camp on **Sunday, September 27, and Sunday, October 4 from 2–6 pm** for "Pies and Fries". Enjoy homemade pie and fresh fries while you take in the beauty of fall in the valley. If it rains you can still join us in the Dining Hall. Payment is by donation, and everyone is welcome!

Pathway Community Church

Pathway Church invites you to join them for a **Taco Bar fundraiser lunch on Sunday, October 4th at 12:30pm!** A team from Pathway will be travelling to **El Salvador this December** for a missions trip, and this lunch is a chance to enjoy a meal together while supporting their trip. **Lunch is by donation**, with all proceeds going toward the missions trip. Carryout containers will also be available.

Come join us for lunch, support the team, and help send them to El Salvador!

Salem Home

Salem Home is looking to add to our current group of End of Life Companion Volunteers. Volunteers provide compassionate companionship and a comforting presence to residents during their final days, while also giving families an opportunity to rest and recharge. This is a meaningful opportunity to offer your time, compassion, and presence to someone who may need it most. Training and ongoing support are provided. Interested in learning more? Contact Alana Thiessen, Director of Community Engagement, Salem Home **204-325-4316 ext. 246 or by email at, althiessen@salemhome.ca**

Salem Home

Celebrate with Us! Salem's 70th Anniversary Fundraiser Event
Join us on **Sunday, November 8th** at the Winkler Bergthaler Church for a special day of gratitude, fellowship, and celebration!

- 3:00 PM – Fellowship & Song, followed by refreshments (*Free will offering*)
- 5:00 PM – Celebratory Formal Dinner (*Advance ticket purchase required*)

Tickets: Take advantage of our Early Bird rate before Oct 1—just \$35
www.salemhome.ca

All proceeds from the event directly support our Supportive Housing Project. Come sing, connect, and celebrate this incredible milestone with us!

Pathway Christmas Eve Choir

This Christmas, we'd love to invite you to be part of something special, our Christmas Eve Choir. As we lift our voices, we get to share the hope and joy of Jesus with our church family.

You don't need any experience—just a heart that's willing.

Details:

- **Practices:** Wednesdays at 7:00 PM, starting October 14
- **Location:** Sanctuary
- **Sign Up:** Sign up by calling Pathway Office or attending the first practice.
- **Concert:** Please be available to attend our Christmas Eve service.

Come sing with us as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior

Office Hours: Mon. & Fri. 9:00 – 12:00; 1:00 - 3:00; Tue. - Thu. 8:30-3:00

Custodian: Wes Kehler

Secretaries: Ashley Elias, Carey Martens

Pastor: Dean Huber: 1 (306) 270-7514