

Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church

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WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, October 21, 2018

9:20 am

Prelude - Harold & Lorna Epp

Call to Worship and Prayer - Pastor Victor Engbrecht

Worship in Song - Harold & Lorna Epp
Isn't the Love of Jesus Something Wonderful
I Stand Amazed in the Presence
How Great is Our God

Prayers for the Church - Pastor Victor Engbrecht

Offering/Offertory - Harold & Lorna Epp

Scripture Reading - Dietrich Martens
Colossians 1:3-13

Message - Pastor Dean Huber
"Turning Our Lives Into Fruitfulness"

Closing Song - Harold & Lorna Epp
10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Benediction

"Loving God, Loving Each Other, and Loving Our Community"

Sound: Edwin Siemens **Computer:** Stephanie Beatty

Video: Brad Funk

Sunday, October 28, 2018

9:20 am Worship Service: Pastor Dean Huber

10:30 am Sunday School (Ages 3 - Grade 12)

10:30 am Special Needs Sunday School

10:30 am Adult Sunday School (Meeting Room)

THIS WEEK AT WINKLER BERGTHALER

Monday	7:00 pm NO Jr. Youth 8:00 pm Men's Prayer Time
Tuesday	9:00 am Women's Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	10:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry (Meeting Room) 2:00 pm Bible Study (Lesson Series: Courage to Conquer)
Thursday	7:00 pm Sr. Youth
Friday	10:00 am Prayer Meeting (All Are Welcome)

CHURCH FAMILY - PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Persons With Health Needs

BTHC: Harry Dueck, Russ Friesen, George Loewen

Church Prayer & Praise

We are thankful for the many volunteers that we have for various ministries in our church. Let's remember to encourage them in the work that they are doing.

Mission Prayer & Praise

Pray for wisdom for the board of the Mennonite Collegiate Institute as they set direction for the school and pray for the staff and teachers as they interact and teach the students from various walks of life.

Missionaries of the Week

Don & Char Epp

Expressions of Sympathy

Helen Loewen, of Winnipeg, passed away Sunday October 7th. Her funeral was held on Saturday, October 13th. She was a sister to Frank & Helen Suderman.

John Ginter passed away Saturday, October 13th. His funeral was held on Thursday, October 18th. He was the husband to Mary Ginter and a brother to Sadie & Ken Wiebe.

Adult Sunday School

begins today in the Meeting Room, following our worship service.

ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF OUR CHURCH

Commissioning Service for Pastor Dean and Pastor Victor

will be held on **Sunday, November 4th at 9:00 am** followed by a fellowship lunch. We have a full morning planned and are inviting persons from the Prairie Rose EM Church to join us for this special service and lunch. We are looking for persons to help with setup, serving and cleanup. Signup sheets are on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Baptism and Membership Classes

Are you interested in exploring the Christian faith? Would you like to learn more about our confession of faith in a Mennonite perspective? Do you have questions about baptism and church membership? Then the WBMC Christian Faith classes are for you! If you are interested or have any questions please call Pastor Dean or Pastor Victor (325-9563). Classes will begin on in the New Year.

Home Bible Study

Wednesdays at 2:00 pm in the church Meeting Room.
The series that is being studied is 'Courage to Conquer' by Dr. Jeremiah.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

Life Group (Good Old Days)

Pastor Harold is leading a 50+ life group on Sunday, October 28th at 7:00 pm. Come for coffee, prayer, fellowship and Uno games.

CITY CENTER YOUTH NEWS

Jr. Youth (Grades 7 & 8)
Monday, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
NO Youth

Sr. Youth (Grades 9 - 12)
Thursday, 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Social Night

COMMUNITY AND OTHER EVENTS

Singin' in the Grain

fundraising concert for Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Sunday, October 28th, 3:00 pm at Winkler Emmanuel Mennonite Church. See poster for details.

Winkler Bible Camp's Annual Fall Fundraising Banquet

Monday, October 29th, 6:30 pm at Winkler Bible Camp.
For more information or to make reservations please visit their website or call 204-325-9519.

Mennonite Collegiate Institute

Soup & Pie and Fall Concert, Friday, November 2nd, supper at 5:00 pm (by donation), annual general meeting (6:30 pm), fall concert (7:30 pm).

Laughagain

with Phil Callaway and musical guest Amanda Stott, Friday, November 2nd, 7:00 pm at Winkler EMM Church

Central Station Community Centre

Fall fundraiser: Crepe Breakfast, Saturday, November 3rd, 8:30 am – 11:00 am at Central Station. Breakfast is by donation.

Back to the Bible

with Bible teacher Dr. John Neufeld, Saturday, November 3rd, 7:00 pm at Winkler EMM Church.

Birthdays This Week

	Day		Day
Esther Dyck	21	Elizabeth Ens	25
Anne Wiens	22	Agatha Allen	26
John Dyck (Morden)	23	George Martens	27
Tina Derksen	23		

Anniversaries This Week

Peter & Marge Thiessen	October 22, 1961	57 Years
Walter & Nettie Dueck	October 23, 1993	25 Years
George H. & Margaret Ens	October 27, 1957	61 Years

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please notify the church office.

Scripture for This Week:

- Job 38:39 - 39:12
- Job 39:13 - 40:2
- Job 40:3 - 24
- Job 42:1 - 17
- Hebrews 5:11 - 6:12
- Hebrews 6:13 - 7:14
- Hebrews 7:15 - 8:13

Coming Events

October 29

Deacon Nominations

November 4 at 9:00 am

Commissioning Service for
Pastor Dean and Pastor Victor

November 26

Quarterly Membership Meeting

Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church

October 21, 2018

Turning Our Lives into Fruitfulness

John 15:1-17

Jesus states in this passage of scripture that He is the vine and we are the branches and that apart from him we can do _____.

I Starts With the True Vine and _____ (vs. 1-4)

In the first verse, Jesus claims to be the true vine. The Jews as well as, the disciples are totally aware that _____ within the O.T. is considered to be a vine.

The Jews believed that because they were _____ and belonged to the house of Israel, that they were _____ than the Gentiles. They also believed that salvation came through following the law. Thus, Jesus says that He Himself is the true vine. Following the law and being a Hebrew does not make God happy because Jesus is the true vine. Unless we are attached to Him we are _____.

Jesus then goes on to say that His father is the gardener and his father prunes or, in other words cuts off every _____ that does not bear fruit. The whole idea is to get the branches to bear as much fruit as possible. When the branches are cut off that do not bear fruit it allows the plant to send all it's _____ into the branches that do bear fruit.

II. Continues With us Asking For the _____ Things (vs. 5-8)

This is the second time that Jesus emphasizes that he is the vine. Jesus makes it very clear that unless we abide or, in other words, are _____ to him, we cannot bear any fruit. I believe that the fruit that Jesus is talking about in this passage has more to do with a person's _____ and character than actually about salvation and winning others to the Lord. However, that could also be inferred and is, also the _____ of a fruitful life.

The fact of the matter is that unless we are living and walking with Christ in our daily lives we will not develop into the kind of _____ He wants. Jesus wants, us to grow into mature believers. As we grow in maturity, the fruit of the spirit, as listed in Galatians should be becoming more _____ in our lives. Paul says, 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is

love, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23
gentleness self-control.

The prime example is Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane. Jesus did not want to go to the cross and so he prayed that if it was possible to let the _____ pass from him. However, he prayed not my will, but _____ will. We bear fruit in our lives when we allow God's will to become our _____ and God's desire to become _____ desires. Then we will get whatever we ask for.

III. Demands Total Obedience (vs. 9-17)

The ultimate, the _____ and the most difficult thing for us to do is to remain _____ to the Lord at all times. It's easy to say 'yes' to the Lord on some things he may ask us to do, but it is extremely hard to do everything he asks us. Obedience is the key to _____ and abiding in Christ.

The question is, where did Jesus get the _____ to remain obedient to his father? The answer is from the _____ that he continued to have with his Father on a daily base. First, he knew from the past that His Father always had his best in mind and second his prayer life allowed him to surrender to His Father's will, even when the task looked difficult. The more he _____ to his father in the little things, the _____ it became on the bigger thing.

So, here are the three things you and I must do if we want to turn our lives into fruitfulness. First, we must be _____ to the Vine who is Jesus Christ. If we are not a believer we will never produce fruit. If we are a believer, but are in broken fellowship with the Lord we will also never produce fruit. We must be abiding in Him through prayer and being in the word. Second, when we pray, we must ask for the things that will bring _____ to the Lord. Third, we must have a life of obedience. When we hear the Lord speak through His word, we must obey, then our life will begin to produce the fruit that the Lord _____ us to produce.

That is no different for you and I as believers today. Unless we are plugged into Jesus Christ and walking in fellowship with Him, it will be _____ to do anything that will _____ in the Kingdom of God.

Are you _____ in? Are you abiding in Christ? What is _____ you from being fruitful?

Quotes of the Week

In short, knowledgeable, stable, and triumphant faith is not merely some holding action which stabilizes troubled minds. Rather, it is the precondition for fruitful Christian life, for prayers with unction that call forth the blessing of the exalted Jesus.

~D.A. Carson

Later as the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit, they received a divine, supernatural power that changed them from fearful men to radiant witnesses for Christ. They were used of God to help change the course of history. This same omnipotent power, the power of the Holy Spirit, is available to you and me to enable us to live holy and fruitful lives for Jesus Christ.

~B. Bright

Pastoral Staff: Dean Huber, Victor Engbrecht, Harold Espinosa

Administrative Secretary: Susan Klassen

Custodians: Edwin Siemens, Hank Klassen, Carol Klassen

Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am - Noon; 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Christmas Giving Project

Oct. 14, 2018 - Nov. 11, 2018

**DONATED ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED
IN THE BINS IN THE FOYERS**

Shoeboxes

School Supplies

Pencils	Pens
Pencil Crayons	Erasers
Picture Books	Note Books
Crayons	Scissors
Coloring Book	Makers

Toys & Other Gifts

Balls	Stuffed Animals
Marbles	Sewing Kit
Whistle	Necklace/Earrings
Hair Clips	Match Box Cars
Dolls	Plastic Bowls/Plates

Hygiene Items

Toothbrush	Soap
Wash Cloth	Comb/Brush
Feminine Pads	Hand Towel
Nail Clipper	Deodorant
Band-Aids (Non Medicated)	

Clothing

Underwear	T-Shirts
Slippers	Socks
Flip Flops	Sandals
Finger Mitts	Cap

NO CANDY or LIQUIDS ie: Toothpaste, etc.

Items are not restricted to the ones listed.

Monetary donations are also being accepted for this project. To receive a tax receipt, please make your cheque payable to Samaritans Purse Canada.

