

November 21st, 2021 9:30 a.m.

Growing in God - Discovering

Prelude Annie Schulz

Gathering Thoughts, Call to Worship & Prayer Waldo Pauls

A thousand days are but a moment to God.

All flesh is grass and withers away.

Still we treasure our days with those we love,

And reluctantly give them back to God.

On this day we thank God for the saints in our lives.

Let us worship God.

Hymn Rejoice, the Lord is King HWB #288

Passing of the Peace / Prayers of the People Doug Schulz

Women's Chorus Praise the Lord, Alleluia

Scripture Reading Psalm 132:1-12 [OT p.574] Waldo Pauls

Women's Chorus A Time for all Things

Time of Remembering

We give thanks, O God, for your life and love that have no end.

Scripture Reading Revelation 1:4b-8 [NT p.245] Doug Schulz

Reflection "WHEN THE TIME COMES" Doug Schulz

Hymn of Response Soon and very soon HWB#611

Benediction Doug Schulz

Sending Hymn Of the Father's love begotten HWB #104

Postlude

[Offering box available on table at back of sanctuary]

It is good to be together in worship this morning!

The ushers are pleased to help any who need assistance.

GRACE NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

People Care Network and Prayer Notes:

- 1)Please contact Pastor Doug with any pastoral care needs to ask for prayer or encouragement, or to request a visit.
- 2)We will celebrate Communion next Sunday on First Advent (November 28th). Let's prepare our hearts and minds for this special fellowship time by opening ourselves to the work of God's Spirit within and among us. Questions to ask prayerfully: How shall I become more fully honest spiritually and relationally? How is God helping us be strong in faith together? How is God moving us forward still as a people faithful to our mission in the community and beyond?

Budget Income for November 14th ~ \$455.00

Attendance on November 14th Service ~ 44 people

At the Semi-Annual meeting it was agreed to appoint a Transition Team to address the pastoral needs of Grace after Pastor Doug's retirement. Church Council will appoint this team but is open to receiving nominations of people that might be considered to be part of the team. [David Brubacher on behalf of Church Council.]

Sunday, November 28th – First Advent & Communion Worship service [9:30 a.m.] Speaker: Laur Steven Scripture Texts (Focus texts highlighted): Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-10; I Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36 Coffee time following the service, in the Church Hall.

Restrooms: Restrooms in the Preschool area are off limits due to health requirements. If necessary, use restrooms at the south end of the foyer.

COVID-19 Guidelines: Our 'People Care Network' philosophy follows a policy approach tailored from Public Health requirements/recommendations for public indoor settings.

- **1.Social distancing** Maintain 6' separation; seating is every other bench
- 2. Mask-wearing: Masks required as we enter/leave or move within the building (outdoors optional when distanced). During services masks are recommended for everyone, including children. If fully immunized, you may lower your mask at your seat except when singing.
- 3. Social events (Church Hall): Full vaccination proof required

Christmas Week: Coffee Time after Fourth Advent service (December 19th); Christmas Eve Service (Friday, December 24th at 4 p.m. – Registration may be required; details to follow)

♥ Community Chaplain's Corner © ● Do you know of a person who is unable to go out and get groceries? Maybe it's you. A local major grocery outlet has partnered with a shopping-and-delivery business run by a competent husband and wife team who have been doing this for 20 years!

All orders are over the phone. They know the questions to ask so you can get what you order. Base rate fee is \$20.00 – this covers shopping and delivery time, plus gas and vehicle maintenance. You can pay with CASH or DEBIT, as well as e-transfer and credit card (extra fee).

For information on this shopping service, please contact Jan Steven or Grace church office.

Hen and Chick Plants! Because we are moving in December and I could forget to water them, you are welcome to take a hen and chick plant today – regardless of when your birthday is! Util get more plants for December and January birthdays in early January. – Jan Steven

ACROSS THE STREET AND AROUND THE WORLD

From Mennonite Church Eastern Canada (MCEC)

*Each week we pray for a faith community within the MCEC community of congregations. This week please pray for

Hawkesville Mennonite Church. Paul Dyck provides leadership for this congregation. Stand with them in prayer as they pray: "Lord, give us eyes to see our neighbours as worthy of our time, love and friendship. Lord, give us hearts open and willing to be shaped by others. Lord, call us to your way of loving, living and being with our neighbours.

MCC's virtual peace conference November 19-20, 2021. What does Reconciliation in Action mean to you? Join MCC staff and friends as we discuss what it means to build peace at the 2021 Virtual MCC Peace Conference. For more information and to register, go to mcco.ca/peace-conference.

For the foodie in your life, a gift of \$25 can help farmers like Joyce Ngumbao and her husband Pius Kisumo in Kenya to increase their harvests and share festive meals with their neighbours now and throughout the year. Methokoi is a traditional dish of corn, beans and greens! Here is an easy recipe.

A Moment for MCC ~ A Christmas Gift for Foodies!

MCC - Relief, development, and peace in the name of Christ https://mcccanada.ca/christmas#categories[]=Food%20and%20nu trition

https://cookpad.com/in/recipes/2288231-muthokoi

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