

Coaldale Mennonite Church

2316 – 17 St., Coaldale, Alberta

***“Rooted in Jesus, Growing in Grace, Connected in
Community, Branching into the World”***

Sunday, March 15, 2020 Worship Service 10:45 AM

Sunday School 9:30 AM Adult & Children

Leading us in Worship

Third Sunday of Lent

Worship Leader: Kelsey Janzen

Speaker: Gary Giesbrecht

Sermon Title: When thirsty, what kind
of water do you drink?

Scripture: Ex 17:1-7, Psalms 95;

Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-26

Music: Kelsey Janzen



PRAYER FOCUS



Pray for:

- † **Tina Bloudoff and family** as her sister, Anna Penner, passed away this week.
- † **Connie Wall's dad, Jake Dyck**, who is in hospital.
- † **Henry Redekop** who has been moved to Lethbridge Hospital.
- † **Bill Giesbrecht** who is in the Lethbridge Hospital.
- † **Staff and Students** at Pass Outreach.
- † **Staff and workers** at Rehoboth.
- † **Our Sunday School teachers and students.**

(If you would like to have a prayer request in the bulletin, please contact Jodi at cmchurch@telusplanet.net or 403-345-3363.)

This Week In Our Church

Monday

- ✓ 6:00 – 7:20pm Jubilation Choir and Kids' Club
- ✓ 7:30pm Men's Volleyball

Tuesday

- ✓ Jodi will be out of the office today so the church office will be closed.
- ✓ 9:00am – noon Goodwill Ladies' Blanket Making. All ladies are welcome to come help.

Wednesday

- ✓ 8:30am Men's Prayer time
- ✓ 9:00am – noon Goodwill Ladies' Blanket Making. All ladies are welcome to come help.
- ✓ 6:30 – 9:15pm Youth

Thursday

- ✓ 7:30pm Harmony Community Choir. All who enjoy singing are invited to come.

Friday

- ✓ 6:00pm Leadership Conference Webinar from Steinbach Bible College featuring Dr. Darrell Johnson at our church.

Saturday

- ✓ 8:00am – 2:00pm Leadership Conference Webinar at church. Come for whichever session you wish. There is no cost. Schedule on the bulletin board.

Coming Soon

Saturday, April 4th – Men's Conference at the Taber EMC Church. More information to come.

Keeping in touch

Blanket Delivery required: The Goodwill Ladies have completed 45 blankets and they need to be delivered to the MCC office in Calgary. If you are going to Calgary soon and can take some blankets, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to Lori Groenheide for sewing new covers for the change tables in the bathrooms.

The **Coaldale Seniors' Advisory Committee** is asking seniors to fill out a quick survey on what kind of activities/events you would like to have in Coaldale. The surveys are on the back table in the foyer and by the mailboxes. They can be left at the church office once they're completed.

Givings for March 8, 2020
Budget: \$4230.00

Next week in church: March 22nd, 2020

Worship Leader: Peter Janzen
Speaker: Gary Giesbrecht
Music: Peter Janzen

Ushers: Team 4
Sound: Mike Marriott
Media: Amara Marriott

To Contact the Church

Admin Assistant: Jodi Reed
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Help Prevent the Spread

Over the past few days, we have all heard the concerns over the rapid spread of the Coronavirus globally, and though the risk within southern Alberta remains low, the Public Health Agency of Alberta has developed guidelines to help us limit the spread locally.

Maintaining a safe and healthy space in our church for all our congregants and staff is our first priority, and in response to this rapidly evolving situation currently occurring primarily outside Alberta, we at CMC have initiated important actions that will help us prevent the spread of this virus. We will be following developments closely, and may need to consider enacting other measures if this pandemic worsens in our area.

The cornerstone of Prevention is personal awareness. We need to become informed on how we can protect ourselves and those around us from not only the Coronavirus, but also other illnesses like seasonal influenza.

Some of the most effective measures are those we can initiate ourselves.

Hand washing is crucial

Wash hands frequently with soap and water, for at least 15-20 seconds.

If soap is not available, use alcohol based hand sanitizers.

Wash before and after preparing food, eating, coughing, going to the bathroom, and whenever your hands are visibly dirty.

Touching one's eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands should be avoided.

Coughing habits

In order to minimize respiratory droplets from spreading through coughing, sneezing, talking.

Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue. Immediately dispose of tissues in a waste container and wash your hands.

OR

Cough/sneeze into the bend of your arm, not your hand.

Environmental cleaning

This virus can survive on surfaces for up to several days. Cleaning frequently touched surfaces can kill the virus, and prevent spread.

In an effort to control the cleanliness of our church, **we have chosen to close the downstairs and gym areas and cancel activities there** in order for us to focus on the areas of high traffic and use, namely the foyer and sanctuary.

Social Distancing

Increasing the personal distance (ideally 2 meters), and not shaking hands has been shown to be very effective.

Other measures that have been taken elsewhere include workplace closures, public gathering cancellations/postponement, and these will be considered as necessary.

Self Monitoring for signs of illness

If you feel you are getting a cold or flu-like illness, self isolate and avoid crowded settings. Please do not come to the church in case you might spread the illness to others.

If you have been exposed to someone ill, particularly if you have other medical conditions, be sure to monitor and seek further medical advice, initially by phone.

Our pastors and deacons will try to minimize visiting if possible, and will connect with seniors by phone to stay in touch.

Though we realize some of these measures will create a burden for some, it is imperative that we maintain a healthy environment of those around us that may be at increased risk of developing this illness, like seniors and those with other medical conditions.

Please help prevent the Spread.

Rob Wedel
Church Chairperson