

Christmas 2019

PREPARE HIM ROOM

PREPARING YOUR CALENDAR



ISAIAH 64:1-5; 2 PETER 3:3-15A WITH PASTOR DENVER WILSON

What's happening December 9-15

MONDAY

Movers & Shakers—1:30 pm
Pickle Ball—7 pm

TUESDAY

Quilters, Knitters & Crocheters—4 pm

THURSDAY

Madison House Baking—9:30 am

FRIDAY

Madison House Gift Prep—1:30 pm

SUNDAY

Worship Service —10 am

Upcoming Events

- Dec 17** Seniors' Breakfast
- Dec 24** Christmas Eve Service
- Dec 29** Mclvor @ Donwood Communion

All events are also posted on Realm and on our website at www.mclvorchurch.com.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Please direct questions regarding property to the Church Office. Property Committee will be in charge of opening/closing and set-ups during the week as follows:

DECEMBER 2-8

Elwood Wiebe

DECEMBER 9-15

Richard Penner

DECEMBER 16-22

Bob Dyck

Please contact the person listed above to access the church.

Worship

MUSIC

Ronalee Goertz & Team

WORSHIP LEADER

Stefan Froese

SCRIPTURE READER

Lilly Polnau

AUDIO/VISUAL

Matthew Plett Ed Giesbrecht

NEXT SUNDAY

Advent 3 (Love) - Preparing Gifts
Malachi 3:1-4, 2 Corinthians 9:6-15
with Pastor Denver Wilson

GENERATIONS JOINING JESUS IN THE RENEWAL OF ALL THINGS

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EXCHANGE Q & R TEXT NUMBER: 204-250-3916
WIFI GUEST NETWORK PASSWORD: Community2019

Connect in Service & Community

There are three ways you can give to the **Roof Repair Project**, specify "Roof Repair Project" on the giving line of your donation envelope, select "Roof Repair Project" from the drop down list when giving through Realm or our web page, or text "mcivor roof \$100" (or whatever amount you are giving) to 73256 to give to the "Roof Repair Project". See the display in the foyer to track our total amount raised.

Finance Update to December 3, 2019

Balance required to meet 2019 Budget

\$141,718

Balance required for Roof Repair project

\$61,029

Madison House

- Today is the last day to bring in socks, shampoo, deodorant and monetary donations to fill the gift bags for the Madison House Christmas Party. We are also looking for carolers and musicians to join us on Dec. 14 at 10 am. Contact any member of the Mission Committee for more info.
- Volunteers are needed to prepare cookies with Maple Leaf School on Dec. 12. Contact Jeanette Thomas for more info.

Help for Christmas Eve Service

Please sign up in the foyer to help in one of the following ways that will make our Christmas Eve service one that engages many people: operating a foyer station (food, photo booth, kids game or craft) from 4:30-5:00, bringing cookies, or delivering flyers in the neighbourhood

If you have had a child, grandchild, or great-grandchild this calendar year, and would like them to be featured in this year's **Cradle Roll**, please send the following to Pastor Stefan, sfroese@mcivorchurch.com by December 16th:

- Full name, including any middle names
- Picture
- Date of birth
- Names of parents and grandparents (or great-grandparents)

Kids K-12 are welcome to join the **Kids' Christmas Choir**, to be performed on Dec. 22 and 24. Rehearsals will take place on Sunday mornings during Nov. and Dec. with a dismissal during the service.

The **Men's Retreat** is Feb 7-9 at Roseau River Bible Camp with guest speaker Dave Ens. For more info, contact Rod Badgley or Ed Giesbrecht.

Seniors Christmas Luncheon at 11:30 on Tuesday Dec. 17 featuring Don Doerksen, southern Gospel singer from Niverville. Tickets (\$10.00) will be available in the foyer today and next Sunday or you can call Harry Olfert.

Mclvor's Most Wanted

Here are the top service needs Mclvor is facing, and ways you can get involved!

- Ushers
- Finder's Feast Kid's volunteers
- Church Moderator
- Elementary and Preschool Teachers
- Connect Centre Hosts & Greeters

Please go to the Connect Centre in the foyer to learn more about these roles.

As We Wait is MB Seminary's devotional book for this Christmas season. Written by members of our MB family from across Canada, this book guides readers through 25 daily readings that anticipate the birth of Jesus (Dec 1-25). Download your free digital copy at www.mbseminary.ca

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Interested in sponsoring refugees? MCC is accepting Expression of Interest applications from Jan 1-31. Visit MCC Manitoba's Migration and Resettlement Program website for more info <https://mcccanada.ca/learn/what/categories/supporting-refugees>

Give a gift that is life changing this year from the **MCC Christmas Giving Catalogue**. Give the chance to sew, the gift of hope, art supplies or wriggly worms this season. This Christmas teach your little ones to give a gift that will make a difference. Turn a fun Sunday School lesson into a meaningful Christmas Giving project. Call us at 204.261.6381 for more information.

CMU's Sunday@CMU Radio Program is featuring a series of Advent reflections by Dr. Paul Doerksen, Associate Professor of Theology and Anabaptist Studies, exploring key dimensions of the Advent season. Sunday@CMU airs Sunday mornings at 8:30-8:45 AM on CFAM 950 and AM 1250. Programs can be accessed through the CMU website at cmu.ca/sundayatcmu.

Prayer, Praise & Missions

If you have lost a loved one please let the church office know so that we can share the information in the bulletin.

We express our condolences to the **Boroski family** with the passing of Robert Boroski. He is the father and grandfather to Bruce and Wendy, Adam, Ali and Ryan, Tia and Alex. And to **Bill and Ellie Dueck** who's brother-in-law, Henry Klassen, passed away last week. And finally, **Lilly Polnau** on the loss of her brother, Len. Please remember to pray for these families as they mourn.

Please pray for **Erna Janzen** who is in the Concordia Hospital suffering from Pneumonia.

Please pray for the following:

Justin Koop, Hearth Church (Winnipeg)

Garri Sergienko and Albina Nikitina as they develop a new Russian-language children's TV/video program at Square One World Media's Winnipeg studio.

Joanna Chapa-Multiply worker in Peru Pray for church leadership support and discipleship strategies and the training and equipping of young leaders.

If you or your family has a prayer request that you would like to share in the bulletin, let the office know. Please understand that we must have permission from the person or people named.

Christmas Gift Bags for **Union Gospel Mission**. Each year for our Jan 1 Community Christmas Dinner, we bless each of our guests with a gift. Can you help? We are looking for gift bags for men, women, and children. These can be dropped off at 320 Princess Street.

The **Keenager Choir** invites you to attend their Annual Christmas Concert Fundraiser for One Hope Canada on Dec 17 at 7 pm at Morrow Gospel Church at 755 St. Anne's Road. Featuring songs and readings. Refreshments served.

See our bulletin board in the inner foyer to find out about the many other events happening in our community.