

Holyrood Mennonite Church

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Speaker:	Jim Shantz
Worship Leader:	Peter Doblah
Children's Program:	Tarnisha and Helena
Music:	Holyrood Intercultural Group of Amie, Esther, Evanna, Gizzie, Grace, Josh, Lisa, Shim, Zinnah
Tech Support:	Dylan and Edward

Our Vision:

Training Apprentices of Jesus to share God's abundant hospitality with people of all ages and cultures through the power of the spirit.

Welcome to Worship Service at 10:30 am
Sunday, April 14, 2024

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening song: O When the Saints

Prayer

PRAISING GOD

- Lord You are so Good
- The Lord is my Light and my Salvation #97 STJ
- Here I am to Worship

Offering:

Can be made by e-transfer to holyroodmchurch@gmail.com

Offertory

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Feature: Joyce Baergen

Scriptures: Genesis 12:1-5; John 1:1-5, 14, read by Dixon

Reflections:

Praying with the Saints: #2 Address to God and First Prayers

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Response: This is a Story Full of Love #315, 1-4,7 HWB

Sharing and Praying

Announcements

Children's Sharing

Benediction

Sending Song: The Lord Lift You Up, #73 STJ

Announcements

From Holyrood

- **Sunday, April 14:** Please attend our Annual General Meeting after the Worship Service. Soup and pie lunch. Childcare at the parsonage.
- **Sunday, April 21:** Last Worship with Pastor Joon. All are invited to participate in the Farewell potluck after the service.
- **Saturday, April 27:** Church planning for 2024/25, from 11 am to 2 pm.

Our Community Prayer this Week

- Jesus, Thank you for showing up even in when we, like your disciples, are afraid or uncertain.

Our Prayers for the World

- From Joanne DeJong's April newsletter: Never stop praying for peace: in Ethiopia and for the families of the Meserete Kristos university students who come from conflict zones; pray for peace in Israel and Gaza; in Sudan, and Congo.

Mennonite Church Alberta 2024 Prayer Request for April:
Please pray with and for First Mennonite Church Edmonton

- **Prayer of gratitude.** We are grateful for the blessings that God has given this community, for the ways that our church is growing in vibrancy and joy, for the many new people who are finding a home in our church, and for the ways that our church offers a prophetic witness to the world.
- **Praying for wisdom.** Our church has welcomed many new people who are neurodivergent, LGBTQ+, and/or who have been harmed by churches in the past. We pray that God will grant us the wisdom to meet the spiritual needs of all who attend First Mennonite and the grace to accept with joy any changes that naturally come with church growth.
- **Prayer of blessing.** We ask for God to bless volunteers who do the work of the church and bring God's love to those who cannot physically come to church on Sunday mornings. We pray especially for the volunteers who bring a worship service to the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital on the third Sunday of each month as well as those that bring "Carry-out Worship" to those who cannot attend worship online.
- **Praying for sensitivity and flexibility** as our church continues in a time of change. We are grateful for the ways that our church is growing in numbers, vibrancy, and joy, while also knowing that growth brings change--and change is hard! We ask God to bless us as we welcome more of God's beloved children, to help us be aware of the needs that draw people to the church, and to give us the ability to flex and shift.

Mennonite Life and Church Activities this Month

- **Young Adult Events Deadlines: Conference for an Active Future.** Hosted in BC, June 7-9, 2024. \$500 grant for travel and registration. Information on <https://mcab.ca/creationcareworkinggroup>
- **Camp Valaqua spring events:** Getting the site ready for summer on May 11, June 8 and June 9. www.campvalaqua.ca