

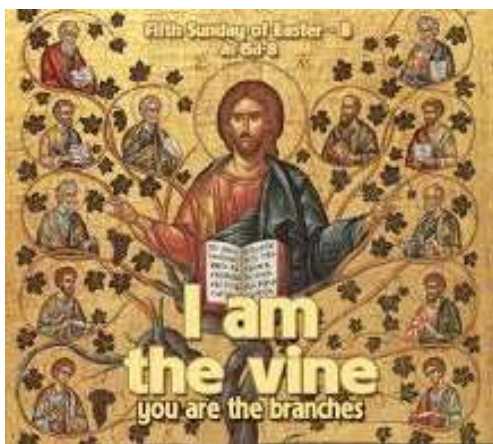
Holyrood Mennonite Church

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Speaker:	Pastor Suzanne Gross
Worship Leader:	Thomas Bumbeh
Children's Church:	Tarnisha
Music:	Holyrood Intercultural Group of Amie, Esther, Evanna, Gizzie, Grace, Josh, Zinnah
Tech Support:	Dylan and Dixon

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 28, 2024

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Gathering song: Jesus be the Centre #31 STS

Call to Worship

Prayer

PRAISING GOD

- Seek Ye First the Kingdom #324 HWB
- It is Raining
- Here by the Water

Offering:

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

Offertory: Hakuna Wakaita Wa Jesu

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Feature: Margot

Scriptures: Acts 8:26-40, Galatians 3:28, read by Erika

Reflections: *Defying Labels: The Founding Branches on the Vine of Jesus in God the Father*

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Response:

Thou True Vine that Heals the Nations #373 HWB

Sharing and Praying

Announcements

Children's Sharing

Benediction

Sending Song: Now Go in Peace, Now Go in Love #74 STJ

Announcements

From Holyrood

- **Saturday, April 27:** Church leadership planning, from 11 am to 2 pm
- **Sunday, April 28:** This afternoon at 2 pm is Drawing Closer to God through Hope. Interfaith Conversations about Lent and Ramadan, Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 10037-84 Avenue
- **Next Sunday's Worship, May 5:**
Tech: Dylan and Edward
Scripture reader: Edward
Worship leader: Joseph Chokpelleh
Children's Feature: Tarnisha
Speaker: Jackson Boakai
Children's Church: Helena

Our Community Prayer this Week

- Oh True Vine, we cling to you. Help us bear the fruit of your Spirit.

Our Prayers for the World

- Pray for the candidates who graduated from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Saturday April 27 and give thanks with them for how God has used their seminary experiences to help prepare them for future roles.
- Pray for **Tom and Christian Poovong** and their family, our **MC Canada Witness Workers in Thailand**. Pray that the connections made while Tom and his colleagues are in Canada ignite enthusiasm for their ministry.

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 in May and June

- **Camp Valaqua spring events:** Getting the site ready for summer on May 11, June 8 and June 9. www.campvalaqua.ca
- **MCA Relief Sale in Bergthal:** Saturday, June 15, from 10 am to 4 pm. Please check the poster on the bulletin board.