

# Holyrood Mennonite Church

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**Worship Leader:** Joseph Chokpelleh

**Children's Church:** Tarnisha

**Music Group:** Amie, Dorathy, Dylan, Esther, Evanna, Gizzie, Grace, Josh, Thomas, Willa

**Tech Support:** Arthur Elliott, Edward, 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, May 4, 2025**

## GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Gathering Song: Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

## PRAISING GOD

- Praise, Praise
- What Shall I Render
- He Came Down
- My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Offering:

Can be made by e-transfer to [holyroodmchurch@gmail.com](mailto:holyroodmchurch@gmail.com)

Offertory

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Feature: Joyce Baergen

Scripture: Acts 9:1-6, read by Eli

## ***Reflection: Who Are You, Lord?***

- All to Jesus, I Surrender

## SHARE AND PRAYER

Prayers

Announcements

Children's Church Sharing

Benediction

Sending Song: May the Peace of Christ be with You

## Announcements

From Holyrood

- **Wednesday, May 7:** Bible Study at 7 p.m. in person & Zoom
- **Thursday, May 8:** Praise team practice, music lessons, church cleaning, 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- **Friday, May 9:** Elder's Meeting at 5 p.m.

### **Mother's Day Sunday, May 11:**

Tech Lead: Arthur Elliott

Worship Leader: Emmanuel Snogba

Children's Church: Tarnisha

Children's Feature: Pastor Suzanne

Scripture: Acts 9:36-43 (Mother's Day, part 1)

Speaker: Pastor Elizabeth

### **Holyrood Prays**

- Please continue to pray urgently for peace and safety from violence, famine and genocide for the displaced people in the Darfur region of South Sudan. Please pray that assistance reaches the earthquake victims of Myanmar.

### **Our Shared Prayer**

- Gracious Creator,  
We thank you for the gift of this good earth—  
for the rhythm of the seasons,  
for the steady holding of the land,  
and for morning birdsong.  
We are surrounded by your handiwork,  
yet too often we move through it unaware.  
The earth groans under the weight of our choices.  
We confess to choosing convenience over compassion.  
Lord, stir us from comfort. Awaken us to the beauty worth  
protecting and the voices we have ignored.  
Make us bold peacemakers,  
not only among people but also among all creation. Amen.  
*Written and shared by Asher Warkentin,  
Springridge Mennonite Church, MCA Bursary recipient*

## **Mennonite Church Alberta 2025 Prayer Request for April** ***Please pray for MCA's Community Building & Program Committee***

- The members of the Committee are Adela Wedler, Charlotte Wiens, and Rachel Hunsberger, Vice Moderator Marguerite Jack, with staff support from Ruth Bergen Braun, Communications Coordinator. Community Building and Program serves to create opportunities for the people of Mennonite Church Alberta (MCA) to celebrate what God is doing, to build community, and to develop relationships. Various events are planned throughout the year, including *A Taste of MCA*, fall fundraisers, and the 2025 Annual Delegate Session (*March Gathering: A Courage to Love*). The Committee continues to look for new ways to build connections between the congregations and people of Mennonite Church Alberta.

### **Mennonite Life and Church Activities**

- **The Kingdom Worshippers** at Holyrood on April 25, 2025.  
Watch video of the concert:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=btlSzzLNyzo>
- **Camp Valaqua workday** on Saturday, May 10, starting at 9 a.m.
- **Mini-dialogue between Muslims and Christians** on the story of Mary -- a beloved character in both the New Testament and the Quran. Organized by A Common Word Alberta. At First Mennonite Church Edmonton, **on Sunday May 18 at 2 p.m.**
- **The MCC Alberta Relief Sale** is on May 31 at Bergthal Event Centre. Visit [mcc.org/events/albertareliefsale](http://mcc.org/events/albertareliefsale) to RSVP. If you want to donate an item, please do so by May 2.
- The national **2025 Gathering of MCC** takes place in Kitchener, Ontario, on July 2 to 5. Young adults (U30) from across Canada are encouraged to participate. The program includes sessions on leadership, community building and social events.  
[www.mennonitechurch.ca/U30Gathering2025](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/U30Gathering2025)