

Holyrood Mennonite Church

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Tech Support:	Arthur Elliott, Edward, Dixon, Emmanuel

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, November 16, 2025

GATHERING

Prelude
Welcome
Gathering Song: Holy, Holy, Holy #15 STJ
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer

PRAISING GOD

- Come and See (with piano and violins) #20 HWB
- Saviour Like a Shepherd Lead Us #355 HWB
- New Earth, Heavens New #299 HWB

Passing the Peace of Christ

Offering:

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

Offertory: Eun Jin

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Feature: Joyce Baergen

Scripture: 2 Peter 3:13; Revelation 21:1-4, read by Zipporah

Reflection by Samuel Gibson

- Transition Song: My Hope is Built on Nothing Less #343 HWB

SHARE AND PRAYER

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song: The Lord Will Bless Someone Today

Announcements

From Holyrood

- **Sunday, November 16: Youth Church during Worship**
- **Wednesday, November 19:** Bible Study at 7 p.m.
- **Thursday, November 20:** Music lessons and music practice; Church cleaning between 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
- **Friday, November 28:** Youth Gathering at 6 p.m.
- **Saturday, November 29:** Elders meeting at 3 p.m.

Sunday Worship, November 23 at 10:30 a.m.

Speaker: Jackson Boakai

Worship Leader: Thomas Bumbah

Scripture reader; Edward

Children's Feature: Pastor Nathaniel Bimbah

Our Shared Prayer

- God, in this time of remembrance of the ravages of war, we know You hear the cries of those who refuse war. The Prophet Micah paints an image of nations waging war no more. The metaphor of ploughshare and pruning hooks is a metaphor of nurture, sustaining life, not destruction and killing of life. May we work to make this nurture for all of Your children a reality. May we recommit to Your ways of peace – peace where everyone shall live “in peace and unafraid.”

God, Your call for justice is clear: Our prophets of old, and our prophets of today call us back to faithfulness. Let us listen to the words of Micah, Zechariah, Nelson Mandela and Dorothy Day, and all the other prophets who echo Your call with clarity!

God, You call us to action with the oppressed and You call us to a repudiation of war. Help us live into Your call to "speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute." (Proverbs 31:8) And help us "keep ourselves from being polluted by the world." (James 1:27)

Help us resist the pollution of a world that tempts us to adopt fear, tempts us to blame, tempts too many to seek revenge, and tempts us to get stuck in grief. Give us the holy courage that can only come from You, to push past these temptations and embrace Your holy justice for all of Your creation. Amen.

Written and shared by Suzanne Gross at the Remembrance Day Peace Presence ceremony in Churchill Square (condensed).

Mennonite Church Alberta 2025 Prayer Request for November *Please pray for our congregational administrators*

- Some of our congregations have specific paid administrators who take care of the details of “doing church.” Some of our congregations do not but rely instead on volunteers to do this work. But *all* of our MCA congregations have someone who makes sure our bulletin announcements are gathered and shared, who informs us about meetings and what is happening in our local faith community and more. Let us pray for them during the month of November as our congregations get increasingly busy as the Christmas season approaches.

Mennonite Life and Church Activities

- **In preparation for our upcoming Proposed Budget meeting on Sunday, November 30, please take the draft of the proposal from your mailbox and review the financial predictions of our church for next year.**
- **Upcoming Youth Activities:**
- Friday, November 28: Christmas cookies at Pastor Suzanne's house from 6 pm to 9 pm.
- Friday, December 19: Christmas decorations and pageant practice at church in the fellowship hall, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- **Sunday, November 16: Peace Prayer at Holyrood.** Taizé ecumenical prayer meeting with scripture, silence and songs, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- **Young Leaders of Holyrood:** Are you interested in exploring a paid learning opportunity from MCC and strengthen Holyrood's ministry? Please talk to Pastor Suzanne about the deadline for the 2026 Summerbridge Applicant and Sponsoring Church Proposal.