

Holyrood Mennonite Church

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Tech Support: 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
World Communion Sunday, October 4, 2026

GATHERING

Welcome

Gathering Song: Great is the Lord #87 HWB

Call to Worship: # 199 Sing The Story

Opening Prayer

PRAISING GOD

- I Will Bless the Lord At All Times
- You Are Salt For the Earth #226 HWB
- Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises #88 STJ

Offering:

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

Offertory: In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Feature: Pastor Suzanne

Scriptures: Psalm 24:1, 1 Chronicles 29:14, Deuteronomy 8:17-18, James 1:17, read by Edward Bumbeh

**Reflection: Gratitude and Stewardship -
Living as People Who Don't Give God Leftovers**

Transition Song: Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing #521 HWB

SHARE AND PRAYER

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song: We Will Walk With God #78 STJ

Announcements

From Holyrood

- **Wednesday, October 7:** Bible Study at 7 p.m.
- **Thursday, October 8:** Music Lessons at 2:30 and Practice
- **Sunday, October 18:** Thanksgiving Ecumenical Prayer evening in the style of Taizé at 7 pm

Thanksgiving Sunday Worship, October 11, at 10:30 a.m.

Theme for October: Gratitude and Stewardship

Speaker: Peter Doblach

Worship Leader: Venissa Tumbay

Mennonite Life and Church Activities

- **Next Tuesday, on October 6:** RRSP if you are planning to join the event of the Edmonton Newcomer Center from 5:00 to 7:30 pm. Downtown, on 10170-112 Street.
<https://newcomercentre.com/>
- **A Taste of MCA** - Fellowship event on October 17 at Bergthal Mennonite Church. Discuss HMC driving and food contribution.
- **Thanksgiving Ecumenical Prayer** in the meditative style of Taizé at 7 pm on Sunday, October 18, at the Holyrood Community Church on 9224 82 Street.
- **Muslim/Christian Dialogue: "Grounded Resilience for Righteous Resistance"** on Saturday, October 24, from 9:30am to 1:30pm at Holyrood Mennonite Church.
- **The Good Story:** Watch the video *God is Creating Something Beautiful in Us* from Mennonite Church Canada for **International Witness Sunday**, on October 25, 2026.
<https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/IW-Sunday>

Our Shared Prayer

- **Great God, Our faithful Father, Friend and Guide,**

May our journey together be rich in meaning, in new insights, and in new understandings of what your Word means for us today.

Thank you that you do not change, yet your love is always fresh; your teachings always supported by your Spirit. Lead us in the days ahead into the depths of truth only you can fathom.

Open our eyes to see the needs around us;

Open our ears to hear the cries of the weary;

Open our hearts to be the permanent residence of your Holy Spirit, guiding us to love; to forgive when we are wronged; to give those around us the benefit of the doubt; to walk humbly with you.

You are the God who binds us together. Amen.

Prayer written by Doreen Neufeld, for the installation ceremony of Nikayla Reize at Trinity Mennonite Church, September 27, 2026.

- ***On Belonging***

As we shifted to fall activities of school and seasonal gatherings, we explored the theme of belonging. As children of God, we accept God's unconditional love, and pass that on to all of our diverse brothers and sisters, unified as disciples of Jesus, our teacher and eternal source. (Sum. by Pastor Suzanne). September Reflections:

Acts 2: 42-47; Eph. 2:19; Rom. 15:7; Galat. 3:28; John 13:35.

Stranger No More - Belonging in the Beloved Community

By Pastor Nathaniel Bimba, September. 6

John 15:16

On Belonging Through Camp Valaqua

By the Holyrood Church Youth, September 13.

Isaiah 43:1; 1 Peter 2:10

Belonging - I Have Summoned You By Name!

By Pastor Suzanne Gross, September 20.

1 Corinthians 12: 12-27

Believers: Though Many, We Are One As In The Body of Christ. By Pastor Elizabeth Sahr, September 27.