

# Conestoga Mennonite Church

*Our Living*  **STORY MISSION:**  
Joyfully Living Christ's Story to Benefit Others

August 1, 2021

Number 31

## **Teaching the Word (9:30 a.m.)**

*Classes available for all ages to connect with God & one another*

## **Morning Worship (10:30 a.m.)**

**2021 Theme:** *"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thes 5:16-18*

Prelude Cheryl Heineman  
Worship in Song led by Krista Petersheim

*Greetings of Peace*

CMC Highlights & Our Living HiStory Prayer Pastor Bob

\*\*Parent/Child Dedication

Our Commitment #791 (Blue Hymnal)

o *Dismiss children K - Gr 5 for Children's Church*

Hymns

The Word of the Lord Heb. 11:1-2, 12:1-2a

Message: "The Weight of History" Incoming Pastor Jeremiah Martin

Response Hymn

Benediction

**Thank You** for giving tithes and offerings on-line, stamped mail or the rear wall sanctuary box. **Message** copies are behind our Sound Booth.

## **Today:**

- \*\*We are honored to join parents in dedication of their children:
  - \*Ford and Tamara Berg dedicating Savanna Blain born Oct. 17, 2020
  - \*Bryce & Madison Petersheim dedicating Brooks Alden born March 30, 2021
- Greeters - Jerry Petersheim & Nevin Mast
- Prayer Ministry - Austin & Kristy Unruh
- Nursery - Karen Horning & Bev Smucker
- Children's Church with Lois Ann Mast and Justin Kolb, M4:6a

## **~This Week at CMC~**

- **Monday, 9 AM** - Worship Planning Meeting
- **Tuesday, 7 PM** - Pastoral Team
- **Wednesday, 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM** - Sewing Circle
- **Thursday, 7 PM** - SS Shepherds and Small Group Leaders
- **Friday, 9 AM** - Prayer

## **Next Week:**

\*Pastor Bob will share "Why Do **We** Pursue Jesus?" from John 6:24-29

\*Nursery - Carrie Long and Cindy Petersheim

## **~Conestoga Notes~**

**SS Shepherds and Small Group Leaders** are invited to attend a 7 PM meeting this Thursday evening to give Pastor Jeremiah insight into this pastoral care component of our ministry. If unable to attend, please send a representative!

The **Youth & Family Picnic** is Saturday, Aug. 14, 5 PM at the Petersheim Pond on Best Road. All youth and their family members plus those who help with youth through teaching Sunday School are invited. Please bring a side dish, dessert or drink to share. Haystack & nacho fixings and water will be provided. RSVP to Shannon by 8/8. (Rain location is at CMC)

**Summer Reading Challenge** - What have you read this summer? There's still time to accomplish more but the prizes are ready to be awarded at the church picnic on Aug. 22. Keep reading so you can participate!

**Thank You** - The Moss Family would like to express our deepest appreciation to our Conestoga Family for their prayers and support throughout this past month with the passing of Howard Moss, Sr.

## **~Looking Ahead~**

- Aug. 15 - Message by Elder **Austin Unruh** & our "**Back to School**" dedication
- Aug. 22 - 10:30 AM **Outdoor Worship at Tel Hai Camp (no SS)**, followed by the Retirement Celebration for Pastor Bob & our annual church picnic
- Aug. 29 - 10:30 AM **Installation message** for Pastor Jeremiah Martin by Micah Zimmerman, Pastor at Meadville Mennonite
- Sept. 1 - Pastor Bob begins his 6 month "**Best Practices**" time away with Cindy, visiting ACC churches, etc.

## **~Note these Dates~**

- Oct. 15 - 17 - Pictures for our new CMC directory
- Nov. 12 - Annual Friday evening Youth Auction

~Prayer~

Continue praising God with **Wes and Lois** as she gains strength and safe mobility through physical therapy. Pray for full healing and return to active life!

**Clyde Stoltzfus** had a successful stent procedure and is back at their apartment recuperating. Continue to remember Clyde & Jane in your prayers as they adjust to Clyde's new lifestyle.

**Laura Kurtz** is in the Rehab Unit at Landis Home after a brief stint in the hospital to discern medication adjustments. Pray for a right diagnosis restoring health and providing long term care.

Continue in prayer for **Steve Peck** as he receives low-grade chemo treatment. Pray the quality of his life would be extended!

Praise God for the opportunity to bless our community Tuesday with **pantry distribution**. Pray God would be glorified as we address food needs in our community.

Today we highlight our budget mission support of **MC USA Racial Ethnic Leadership Fund**. Praise God for this opportunity to equip minority Pastors in Anabaptist NT foundations, especially since many are bi-vocational and deeply appreciate support!



~July 25, 2021 Reports~

**Attendance:** Sunday School - 79; Worship - 116

**General Offering:** \$3,598

**Compassion Fund:** \$25

**Our Ministers:** Every Member

**Pastoral Team:**

Austin Unruh, Preaching Elder, Chair

Bob Horning, Elder

Bob Petersheim, Retiring Pastor

David Heineman, Deacon Elder

Jeremiah Martin, Incoming Pastor

Nelson Beam, Elder

Sonya Stoltzfus, Preaching Elder, Vice Chair

**Ministry Council:**

Dir. of Chr. Ed.: Marilyn Beam

Dir. of Fellowship: Tina Essick

Dir. of Mission: Justin Kolb

Dir. of Shepherding: Pastor Bob, Chair

Dir. of Stewardship: Lyle Essick

Dir. of Worship: Kristy Unruh

**Church Staff:**

**Retiring Pastor:** Bob Petersheim - leadcmc55@gmail.com, 610-507-8862 (cell)

**Incoming Pastor:** Jeremiah Martin - Jeremiah@conestogamc.org, 610-590-4200 (cell)

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Welcome on August 1, 2021, to  
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