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Andrea Perrett - You Won't Like Me When I'm Hangry

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Scriptures for Today

Exodus 17: 1-7
Matthew 18:15-20

Last Sunday Last Sunday Dr. J. Evan Kreider (Professor Emeritus of Music, UBC) spoke on the visible manifestation of the Christian life as seen in the life and death of Perpetua, Felicitas, and their companions at Carthage in Africa, circa 203 AD. Evan introduced us to an account of their martyrdom by Dr. Alan Kreider (Evan's cousin, the late Professor Emeritus of Church History at AMBS) in his book *The Patient Ferment of the Early Church: The Improbable Rise of Christianity in the Roman Empire* (2016). These brave young women of

different social strata made a deep impression on the bloodthirsty crowd with their demonstration of peace and love right to the end. Evan challenged us with the question: what might others see in our lives that could jar their expectations? [KH]

The message can be heard in your favourite browser at <https://pgimf.org/service/by-our-love-shall-they-know-us/>

PGIMF News

New Church list Please see the list in the hall to check your entry as well as those of others in our circle. New attenders are welcome to add your name to the list so you can be placed on our internal directory. You can also request your e-mail be added to the church notification list for special events and services.

Upcoming Services

October 8	George Bartlett & Marianna Harris	Ecumenical Peacemaking / Thanksgiving
October 15	Veronica Dyck	TBA
October 22	Kevin Hiebert	TBA
October 29	Thomas Bergen	TBA

Canadian Mennonite subscriptions: All who attend PGIMF may receive a subscription to Canadian Mennonite. The biweekly magazine is delivered in print, by email, or both. Subscriptions are paid for collectively through MCBC and PGIMF. To start a new subscription, add digital delivery to an existing print subscription, or switch to digital-only, please contact Veronica Dyck by October 8.

Wider Church

MCC-BC MCC Canada is improving education around the world in many ways. Read an article by Menno Simons Centre alum Rachel Bergen on ways MCC is working with communities in Kenya, Nepal, India, Congo and Syria with donations from North Americans. Read more of Rachel's article at <https://mcccanada.ca/stories/5-ways-mcc-improving-education>

Regent College Luncheon lecture with Dr. Evan Kreider, Thursday, Oct 5, from 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm. Join the Regent community for special luncheon lecture by Dr. J. Evan Kreider, UBC Professor Emeritus of Music. In honour of the 500 year anniversary of the Reformation, Dr. Kreider will be considering Martin Luther's hymn A Mighty Fortress is Our God, and its significance to the Protestant Reformation. Free admission.

RECORDING THE SERVICE

Please note that we record the response time after the sermon. You are encouraged to share your thoughts as fully as you feel led with the proviso that no privacy can be guaranteed. The response time will not be posted to the website. You are encouraged to bring forth private issues during the time of sharing and prayer, which will not be recorded.

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MEDA: Business As a Calling Convention 2017 MEDA invites you to join the conversation Building Bridges to Enduring Livelihoods, November 2-5 at the Westin Bayshore. With more than 20 seminars lined up, as well as excellent networking opportunities, you'll hear from plenary speaker Dr. Samantha Nutt, award-winning humanitarian and bestselling author. Register early by October 5 to get a special prices of \$535 for first-time attenders and \$399 for students (\$735 for MEDA members) and get ready for an exciting time of reflection, innovation and connection. See www.medaconvention.org for the seminar schedule, plenary session descriptions, speaker bios and more.

Exodus 17:1-7

¹From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' ³But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' ⁴So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are

almost ready to stone me.' ⁵The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?' [NRSV]

Matthew 18:15-20

¹⁵ 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a

Gentile and a tax-collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.' [NRSV]

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