

POINT GREY INTER-MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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February 3, 2019

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| Worship Leader: | Andrea Perrett - Being Equipped | Music Worship: | Michael Despotovic |
| Accompanist: | Diane Ehling | Usher: | Edward Epp |
| | Ruth Enns | | |

Last Sunday Annika Krause gave the second of a two-part sermon series on fellowship. Psalm 133 tells us how very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity! When a member of the Body of Christ (as described in 1 Corinthians 12) inflicts pain, the church as a whole suffers for it, including the one who caused it. Like the precious oil poured out in abundance at High Priest Aaron's ordination, the blessing of order and peace flows over us as we seek community and reconciliation together. May we all as Brothers and Sisters in Christ be gracious with each other in the upcoming church and denominational annual meetings. [KH]

The message can be heard in your favourite browser at <https://pgimf.org/service/fellowship-is-like-oil-on-the-head/>

PGIMF News - Upcoming Services

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| February 10 | Andrea Perrett | Caring for God's Created World (Pt 2) |
| February 17 | J. Evan Kreider | TBA |
| February 24 | Dori Zerbe Cornelsen | TBA |
| March 3 | Thomas Bergen | Mark |

Friday Group meets this Friday at 10:00 a.m. to continue our discussion of Inspired, Chapter 7, Fish Stories. We meet in the education building behind Peace Church on 52, all welcome.

Charity request Our strong and generous congregation contributes widely to Mennonite Church-related charities in BC, Canada, and beyond and now seeks to support charities locally and beyond the Mennonite umbrella with support of \$1,000 on a rotating basis (to select a different charity each year). Please send your suggestions of charitable organizations that could benefit from our contributions. Charitable organizations should be well managed with goals that can be supported by the PGIMF membership. Please consider supra-charitable groups that PGIMF would feel comfortable supporting such as supporting a Group of 5 (a group of 5 people coming together to support refugee sponsorship). If you would like to contribute an idea please let Travis know by email (or in his mailslot at the back). Please give the charity name, website if possible and 50 words on why PGIMF should consider supporting this group. All ideas to be submitted by Sunday, February 10th. The Church board will review proposals and select five options to be voted on by the church through an online survey. At the AGM in April a choice will be confirmed through consensus. - Travis

Wider Church

Retirement Hymn Sing Attenders of the West Point Grey churches are invited to attend a hymn sing on Sunday February 17th at 1pm at West Point Grey Baptist Church (4509 W 11th Ave, Vancouver) to celebrate the retirement of organist Paul Birch after 50 years of service.

MCBC AGM and LEAD Conference 2019 This year's AGM is held at Peace Mennonite Church in Richmond and 3 delegates are sought for the business meeting. Those wishing/willing to attend, please contact Veronica or Janice. Theme of the LEAD conference: God's Mission; Our Mission from 1 Peter 3:15, in a presentation from Jared Siebert of New Leaf Network. Friday February 22nd beginning at 8:30 am. Conference cost: \$30 (reimbursed by PGIMF) includes lunch and runs 9 am-4:30 pm. AGM takes place Saturday February 23 with registration beginning at 8:30 am: both events include lunch. **Report book now available!**

<https://www.mcbs.ca/mcbs-annual-gathering-report-book/>

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.

Moderator—Veronica Dyck (604-290-1627); Worship—J. Evan Kreider (604-228-1217);
Congregational Care—Lois Funk (604-992-8213); Recording Secretary--- Andre Pekovich (604-879-0007);
Music—Ruth Enns (604-987-7430); **At Large**—Travis Martin (604-603-7843); Chan Yang (778-681-1475);
Finance — Doug Medley (604-328-2980); Congregational Co-ordinator — Janice Kreider (604-228-1217)

Regent College Our fragmented culture places us in isolation from one another and makes intimacy difficult. Connally Gilliam, member of the Board of Governors at Regent College and leader with Navigators gives us a frame for relational connectedness in the example of Paul's life. This free lecture is part of the Living Well Forum, and takes place in Room 100 at Regent College on Monday, Feb 4, from 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm

Dark Glass Theatre You are invited to the performance of The Amish Project, a story of radical forgiveness in the face of unexplainable tragedy, based on the true events of the school shooting in Nickel Mines, PA. Tickets \$35 at <https://www.darkglasstheatre.com/the-amish-project>. Performances run February 20-23 at 8:00 pm and 2:00 pm (check dates). The DGT is an initiative of the Humanitas Anabaptist Mennonite Centre at TWU.

MCC Kit & Kaboodle The annual Family Day Kit Packing event takes place Monday February 18th (2-4pm) at the MCC Centre Material Resources Warehouse. Grab your caboodle (family or friends) and "drop in" for a fun afternoon of kit packing! We will be packing relief (\$50) and hygiene kits(\$4.50) for people around the world! Purchase your supplies on-site or go to www.mccbc.ca/kits to find out what to bring! All supplies donated are considered gifts-in-kind and tax-receiptable.

West Coast Symphony invites you to their special concert featuring Juno Award-winning composer Jordan Nobles' piece "Ouroboros", a passacaglia inspired by images from the Hubble telescope. The program includes Prokofiev's Sinfonia Concertante, Op. 125 and Arvo Pärt's Symphony No. 3. Friday February 8th at 8:00 pm at Christ Church Cathedral (690 Burrard St, Vancouver) and Saturday February 9th at 7:30pm at Queens Avenue United Church (529 Queens Avenue, New Westminster). Admission by donation (suggested \$22)

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷ But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.

[...]

¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love. [NRSV]

Call to Worship

Come to worship, each and every one of you.

We come as individuals to be spiritually nourished.

Come to worship with one another.

We come as families and neighbours, friends and acquaintances each one an important part of the community of faith.

Come to worship with one another, with strangers, and with all God Would send among us.

We come as the body of Christ, rejoicing with each other in our Joys, and suffering with one another in our sorrows. We come to Worship God.

- (Written by Catherine Tovell. **Gathering:** Advent/Christmas/Epiphany 2018-2019, p. 47. Used with permission).