

POINT GREY INTER-MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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April 8, 2018

Henry Neufeld - The Voice from the Shore
Worship Leader: Rosie Perera **Music Worship:** Angela Ruthven
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Three Sundays Ago On the 5th Sunday of Lent, Dr. Paul Thiessen (MD, FRCPC) spoke about the "least of these" whom Jesus referred to in Matthew 25:40. As a pediatrician, Paul shared his experiences of being blessed while treating children with special needs. Jean Vanier started the L'Arche movement in Trosly-Breuil, France, inspiring communities around the world in which people with disabilities share their unique gifts with their assistants (care-givers). As Henri Nouwen wrote, "Community is a fellowship of people who do not hide their joys and sorrows, but make them visible to each other in a gesture of hope." [KH]

Listen to the message at <https://pgimf.org/service/the-least-of-these/>

Scriptures for Today
John 21:1-14 (The Message)
Ecclesiastes 11:1-6
Matthew 4:18-22

Two Sundays ago The congregation celebrated Palm/Passion Sunday and Communion with a service of scripture and song based on the gospel stories from Passion Week designed and led by Veronica Dyck

Last Sunday Our Easter breakfast was followed by a service of celebratory songs and scriptures to sing **Alleluia!** to the risen Lord, written and presented by J. Evan Kreider

PGIMF News - Upcoming Services

April 15	Thomas Bergen	TBA
April 22	Alisha Fung	Hebrews 11:8-16
April 29	Sing-Along Messiah	
May 6	Thomas Bergen	TBA

Call for Reports All church offices are requested to have their reports sent to the Moderator by April 15th in time for review and printing for our AGM on April 29th.

Camp Luther the Camp Luther committee is looking for volunteers and ideas to help put on this year's event May 25-27 at Camp Luther. Please see Diane, Chan or Andre with anything you've got!

Wider Church

MCBC Reading the Bible Together Conference Please come to participate in a one-day workshop "Reading the Bible together" with Dr. Tim Geddert (Fresno Pacific) Saturday April 14 from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm at Level Ground Mennonite Church (31216 King Rd, Abbotsford). Tim's specialty is biblical interpretation, ecclesiology, and ethics, and has written numerous Adult Bible Study guides for MennoMedia. Cost \$15 adults/\$5 for under-25s. Pre-registration required by April 8 at <http://www.mcbs.ca/conferences/> or by phone with Janette at 604-850-6658.

Home wanted

Mature, female second year engineering student looking for room or suite in home for next school year. Danielle (AB) 809-9137

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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BCMB Convention You are invited to attend the BCMB Convention April 27-28 at North Langley Community Church (21015 96th Ave., Langley, BC) on the theme Come to the Table. Beginning with Friday evening's banquet and testimonies, you will hear from pastors around the province evaluate Conference ministry effectiveness, led by John Vermeer. The findings will be formally presented at the business meeting and AGM Saturday morning, and the Canadian Conference will also present a vision for its future. Attenders and delegates are welcome. Please register online at: <https://bcmb.org/event/convention-2018/>

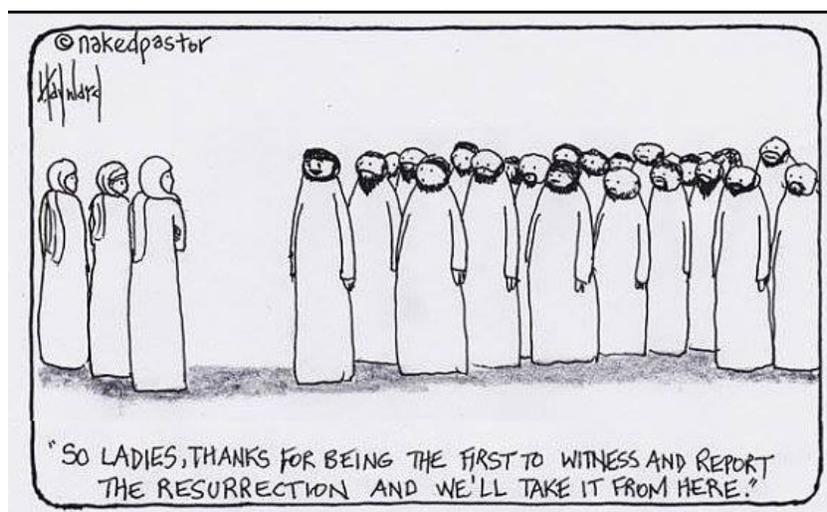
MCBC Women's Day invites you to enjoy the inspiration and empowerment with Elsie Rempel in a community of women at Women Empowering Women: Foundational Connections. Saturday, May 5, from 10am-2:30pm (9:30am reg) at Langley Mennonite Fellowship. Cost \$20 (register by April 30) including catered lunch. More info at <http://www.mcbc.ca/womens-ministry/>

Gallery 7 Theatre Running this week, the Gal7 presents The Miracle Worker, the story of Helen Keller written by William Gibson. Runs til April 14 at the Abbotsford Arts Centre (2329 Crescent Way, Abbotsford). For tickets and details, visit www.gallery7theatre.com.

Fundraiser for Generation Rising [GenRising](#) is a Winnipeg-based charity that provides education for children with no access to it in Paraguay, Nicaragua and Honduras. Their cross-Canada tour presents Christian touring band Double Portion! and the testimony of Pastor Jose from Honduras who survived terrible gang violence while working to educate kids in his community. Free admission with a freewill donation. All funds raised will help children in Honduras receive quality Christian education. Sunday May 6th at 7:00 p.m. at the Sherbrooke Mennonite Church (7155 Sherbrooke St, Vancouver)

MHSBC The Mennonite Historical Society presents the BC premiere of the film "Seven Points on Earth, a film depicting seven Mennonite farming communities around the world. Presentation features producer Paul Plett and takes place Sunday May 6th at 7:00 pm at the Matsqui Centennial Auditorium (32315 s. Fraser Way, Abbotsford). Tickets \$10 at the MSHCB website www.mshbc.com. See the film trailer at <https://vimeo.com/221901713>

Pacific Theatre Pacific Theatre's 2018-2019 season is ready for your season ticket purchases to great and thought-provoking shows including Kim's Convenience - the play that sparked the TV show - The Wolves; A Prayer for Owen Meany; Jesus Freak; The Cake; and the seasonal specials you've all come to love. Subscribe by May 11th to get the early-bird bonus: a loyalty card good for a free coffee or tea at every show you attend. See more at www.pacifictheatre.org



John 21: 1 - 14

¹⁻³ After this, Jesus appeared again to the disciples, this time at the Tiberias Sea (the Sea of Galilee). This is how he did it: Simon Peter, Thomas (nicknamed "Twin"), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the brothers Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. Simon Peter announced, "I'm going fishing."

³⁻⁴ The rest of them replied, "We're going with you." They went out and got in the boat. They caught nothing that night. When the sun came up, Jesus was standing on the beach, but they didn't recognize him.

⁵ Jesus spoke to them: "Good morning! Did you catch anything for breakfast?"

They answered, "No."

⁶ He said, "Throw the net off the right side of the boat and see what happens."

They did what he said. All of a sudden there were so many fish in it, they weren't strong enough to pull it in.

⁷⁻⁹ Then the disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's the

Master!"

When Simon Peter realized that it was the Master, he threw on some clothes, for he was stripped for work, and dove into the sea. The other disciples came in by boat for they weren't far from land, a hundred yards or so, pulling along the net full of fish. When they got out of the boat, they saw a fire laid, with fish and bread cooking on it.

¹⁰⁻¹¹ Jesus said, "Bring some of the fish you've just caught." Simon Peter joined them and pulled the net to shore—153 big fish! And even with all those fish, the net didn't rip.

¹² Jesus said, "Breakfast is ready." Not one of the disciples dared ask, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Master.

¹³⁻¹⁴ Jesus then took the bread and gave it to them. He did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus had shown himself alive to the disciples since being raised from the dead.

- The Message

Ecclesiastes 11:1-6

¹ Send out your bread upon the waters,
for after many days you will get it back.

² Divide your means seven ways, or even eight,
for you do not know what disaster may happen on earth.

³ When clouds are full,
they empty rain on the earth;
whether a tree falls to the south or to the north,
in the place where the tree falls, there it will lie.

⁴ Whoever observes the wind will not sow;

and whoever regards the clouds will not reap.

⁵ Just as you do not know how the breath comes to the bones in the mother's womb, so you do not know the work of God, who makes everything.

⁶ In the morning sow your seed, and at evening do not let your hands be idle; for you do not know which will prosper, this or that, or whether both alike will be good. [NRSV]

Matthew 4:18-22

¹⁸ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ As he went from there,

he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

²² Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. [NRSV]

Call to Worship

Brothers and sisters.

If you lift your net and it is empty,

Come here!

We'll cast it out again into Christ's abundance.

If you open your eyes but do not recognize the Holy One,

Come here!

We'll find the Risen Christ here among us.

If your life is filled with mourning,

Come here!

Christ is leading a dance of joy.

Come here, sisters and brothers!

To give blessing and honor and glory to God!

(Source: re:Worship blog)