

POINT GREY INTER-MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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Annika Krause - Fellowship by One and the Same Spirit

World Fellowship Sunday

²⁰I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one. - John 17:20-21

Worship Leader: Karl Brown
Accompanist: Ruth Enns

Music Worship: Angela Ruthven
Usher: Henry Neufeld

Last Sunday Henry Klippenstein continued the exploration of the metaphors of Adam 1 and Adam 2 (which Henry Neufeld started in a sermon on Oct. 28, 2018) and the development of moral character described in David Brooks' book *The Road to Character*. Two of the stories in the book particularly demonstrate a model of divine grace promoted by St. Augustine: Mary Anne Evans (a.k.a. George Eliot) and Dorothy Day (co-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement). Those who feel touched by Grace seek to delight God. In community, may we each strive to be a better person than we were yesterday – as we belong to God and to each other. [KH]

The message can be heard in your favourite browser at <https://pgimf.org/service/the-road-to-character/>

Genesis 1 and Genesis 2 confront us with two very contradictory creation accounts. If you are disposed to interpreting every jot and tittle of the bible literally, you can tie yourselves in knots trying to harmonize the differences. But if you want to shed that straightjacket you are then free to ask "why are there two different creation accounts?"
- Henry Klippenstein

PGIMF News - Upcoming Services

January 27	Annika Krause
February 3	Andrea Perrett
February 10	Andrea Perrett
February 17	J. Evan Kreider

Fellowship is Like Oil on the Head
Caring for God's Created World (Pt 1)
Caring for God's Created World (Pt 2)
TBA

Friday Group The Friday Group meets this Friday Jan. 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the education building behind Peace Church on 52nd to discuss chapter 6 of *Inspired: Gospel Stories*, p. 142 - 164. All are welcome.

Prayer requests: with many churches in transition, we think particularly of the FUMC Spanish Congregation whose pastor Jorge Hoajaca is not returning to the congregation, and for the congregational chair who leads the search for a new pastor in a time of great personal difficulty for his family.

Cello Concert Cellist John Friesen will perform Hayden's Cello Concerto and more including a Canadian work, with Clyde Mitchell and the Lions Gate Sinfonia on Saturday, January 26th at 7:30 pm at Centennial Theatre in North Vancouver. Tickets \$25 - \$45. More information or purchase tickets at www.lionsgatesinfonia.com.

Wider Church

Regent College Public Lecture Come hear Dr. Scott Cormode (Fuller) speak on Recalibrating the Church for Today's World to make the never-changing gospel and the ever-changing culture match and stay relevant to each other. Thursday, Jan 24, 2019 at 9:30AM - 11:30 AM

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)

MCBC AGM and LEAD Conference 2019 This year it's held at Peace Mennonite Church in Richmond and delegates are sought for the business meeting at which the budget and revised bylaws will be approved. We are entitled to 3 delegates - 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.

Ten Thousand Villages Semiannual coffee sale on now! All fair-trade coffee \$12 from January 19-27. Ground and whole bean available.

Lorne Epp honoured Lorne Epp, past Executive Director of More Than A Roof Society was honoured late last year with the Denise LeBlond Lifetime Achievement Award for his tireless work to further the cause of not-for-profit housing in BC. Said BCNPHA founder Alice Sundberg: "Just the name of the society, More Than a Roof, means exactly what Lorne's all about, [which] is we're not just putting a roof over somebody's head, we're providing them with the love and kindness and belonging that's actually going to change their lives and make a difference." For more on Lorne and the 10 housing projects that change the lives of thousands, see <https://churchforvancouver.ca/lorne-epp-honoured-for-his-work-with-more-than-a-roof-non-profit-housing/>

Renegotiating Faith - Columbia College (2940 Clearbrook Rd., Abbotsford) presents a 2-hour seminar on the results of the Renegotiating Faith study on keeping young adults engaged in the church. Coincidentally, it's for parents and ministry leaders... January 31st from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Free event, RSVP please to <https://www.columbiabc.edu/ya-faith-event> where you can also find more information on the event.

1 Corinthians 12:1-13

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another

faith by the same Spirit, ¹⁰to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. [NRSV]