

## POINT GREY INTER-MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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February 10, 2019

**Andrea Perrett** - Being Equipped

**Worship Leader:**  
**Accompanist:**

Rosie Perera  
Ruth Enns

**Music Worship:**  
**Usher:**

J. Evan Kreider  
Henry Neufeld

**Last Sunday** Last Sunday Andrea Perrett gave the first of a 2-sermon series on Caring for God's Created World: Lessons from a trip to Malawi with Canadian Food Grains Bank on behalf of Presbyterian World Service & Development. She showed photos and stories about the conservation agriculture projects in that country in southern Africa. By equipping farmers with the knowledge of sustainable and affordable farming techniques, communities can be more resilient to the effects of climate change. Ephesians 4:16 encourages us to build each other up in love. The materially-wealthy parts of the Body of Christ can be equipped by lessons in gratitude, prayer and caring from the church in the developing world. [KH].

The message can be heard in your favourite browser at <https://pgimf.org/service/equipping-2019/>

NOTE: you may also watch the 21-minute narrated slideshow (streaming 720p) online at [www.pgimf.org](http://www.pgimf.org).

### PGIMF News - Upcoming Services

February 17	J. Evan Kreider	Geist und Wurst
February 24	Dori Zerbe Cornelsen	Not Simple At All
March 3	Thomas Bergen	Mark
March 10	Membership Sunday	

### 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 takes place Saturday February 23<sup>rd</sup> at Peace Mennonite Church in Richmond. Registration beginning at 8:30 am including lunch. **Report book now available!** <https://www.mcbc.ca/mcbc-annual-gathering-report-book/> Have a look and let your delegates know how you want PGIMF to represent.

**Regent College** Join others for a lunchtime Living Well Forum to explore how to heal an increasingly uncivil and divided world in a talk entitled Civil Conversation: Listening and Speaking Well about Difficult Topics with Jeffrey Greenman. Wednesday February 13<sup>th</sup> at noon in Room 100 at Regent College

**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** The End Abuse Program of MCC BC is sponsoring a training event for pastors, counsellors, students, support workers and advocates. Understanding Abuse in Relationships will take place March 8, 9 & 10 at the MCC Centre, Abbotsford. For information, call Elsie Goerzen, 604-845-0841.

**Photo Exhibition** The gallery at the Mennonite Heritage Museum (1818 Clearbrook Rd, Abbotsford) runs an exhibit entitled Mennonite Churches in the Fraser Valley - Early Decades. This exhibit focuses on churches established in the 1920s-1940s in the Yarrow, Greendale, Abbotsford, and Chilliwack areas. Exhibit runs until March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Bethesda Homes** Resource Manager needed immediately to oversee operations and support to eight people living in 2 residential homes in Richmond. See [www.bethesdabc.com/careers.html](http://www.bethesdabc.com/careers.html) to learn more and to apply.

### 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)

## Call to Worship

Come and worship,  
all you who love and serve our God —  
who surrounds us with unfailing love,  
and answers us when we call;  
who cares for the humble and lowly,  
and never abandons those in need.  
This is our God,  
worthy of our worship and praise!

- re:Worship

## Litany

Even before we were born, God was with us.  
God's love for us is beyond time.  
Fill us with your love.  
Equip us for your work.

We are God's faithful servants.  
God offers us all that we need  
to do the work given us.  
Fill us with your Spirit.  
Equip us to share your love with the world.

Christ is the Light of the World.  
God's light shines for us in the darkness.  
Fill us with your light.  
Equip us to become beacons of your salvation.

Amen.

- Ministry Matters, alt.

## Philippians 1: 1-11

<sup>1</sup>Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi,  
with the bishops and deacons:

<sup>2</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and  
the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>3</sup> I thank my God every time I remember you,  
<sup>4</sup> constantly praying with joy in every one of my  
prayers for all of you, <sup>5</sup> because of your sharing in the  
gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup> I am confident of  
this, that the one who began a good work among you

will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.  
<sup>7</sup> It is right for me to think this way about all of you,  
because you hold me in your heart, for all of you  
share in God's grace with me, both in my  
imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of  
the gospel. <sup>8</sup> For God is my witness, how I long for all  
of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup> And this  
is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and  
more with knowledge and full insight <sup>10</sup> to help you to  
determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ  
you may be pure and blameless, <sup>11</sup> having produced  
the harvest of righteousness that comes through  
Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God. [NRSV]

## Psalms 138

<sup>1</sup> I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I sing your praise;  
<sup>2</sup> I bow down towards your holy temple  
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast  
love and your faithfulness;  
for you have exalted your name and your word  
above everything.  
<sup>3</sup> On the day I called, you answered me,  
you increased my strength of soul.

<sup>4</sup> All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,  
for they have heard the words of your mouth.

<sup>5</sup> They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,  
for great is the glory of the Lord.  
<sup>6</sup> For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly;  
but the haughty he perceives from far away.  
<sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;  
you stretch out your hand,  
and your right hand delivers me.  
<sup>8</sup> The Lord will fulfil his purpose for me;  
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures for ever.  
Do not forsake the work of your hands. [NRSV]