

## POINT GREY INTER-MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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July 21, 2019

### Matthia Langone - Recognition

**Worship Leader:** Janice Kreider      **Music Worship:** J. Evan Kreider  
**Accompanist:** Ruth Enns              **Usher:** Henry Neufeld

**Last Sunday** Laura Sportack spoke about the strange and elusive nature of joy. Specifically, she spoke about The Otherness of Joy (Deut. 30:9-16); The Direction of Joy (Psalm 25:1-10); The Communion of Joy (Col. 1:3-14); and The Paradox of Joy (Luke 10:25-36).. While attempting to "capture" joy through pleasant experiences can often lead to disappointment, joy can manifest itself spontaneously through sharing, caring about others, and allowing oneself to be vulnerable. [JL]

The message can be heard in your favorite browser at <https://pgimf.org/service/indirection-of-joy/>

### PGIMF News - Upcoming Services

July 28	J. Evan Kreider	This is my New Commandment
August 4	Angelika Dawson	Hello Darkness, My Old Friend
August 11	J. Evan Kreider	Was Jesus the Worst Salesman Ever?
August 18	Young Tae Choi	Loneliness and the Arts

**Church list update** Thomas and Cara Bergen's new address is: (*information available upon request from webmaster*). They also have a spare room and they welcome guests!

**Site Visit** The PGIMF Transition Committee invites you to see **Kitsilano Neighbourhood House** as a possible future venue for PGIMF. The viewing will be held on Tuesday July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm at 2305 West 7th Ave, Vancouver. See more at [www.kitshouse.org](http://www.kitshouse.org)

### Wider Church

**MCC-BC** One of the highlights of this year's relief Sale is the Pedaling for Hope Cyclathon. This fundraiser for livelihood projects in the DR Congo begins at 8:30 am on Saturday, September 14, 2019. The ride is one way to raise funds in support of MCC's work around the world.

**Wanted:** BCMB website has a Buy & Sell on its website - a place for churches to get rid of things or take donations. Currently, south Vancouver Pacific Grace MB Church is looking for donations of old camera stuff for their youth ministry, digital or film. See all the ads at: <https://bcmb.org/needs/looking-for-old-camera-stuff-for-youth-ministry/>

**CCMBC** The Canadian MB Conference's annual gathering EQUIP 2019 takes place October 23-25 at Waterloo MB Church in Waterloo ON. Registration is now open at [equip.mennonitebrethren.ca](http://equip.mennonitebrethren.ca). Early Bird Registration begins now for \$199 til August 30 and rising to \$235 after August 30 til September 30. One of the subjects will be a "Motion to Rescind", a rare event, and one that indicates some confusion over philosophy and praxis. Whether or not you register, read the Notice of Motion at <https://www.mennonitebrethren.ca/notice-of-motion-motion-to-rescind/>

**Mennonite Heritage Museum** See the Abbotsford MCC Quilts on display all summer at the gallery at the Mennonite Heritage Museum (1818 Clearbrook Rd., Abbotsford). This gallery display of fabric arts will be auction at the MCC Relief Sale and Auction to be held this year on September 13-14.

#### 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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**Regent College Faculty Roundtable** Ever wish you could get a few Regent teachers in the same room and watch them bounce perspectives off each other? Faculty Roundtables are a chance to witness and even take part in these discussions, featuring full-time faculty, visiting professors, and friends. You can see one this Wednesday July 24<sup>th</sup> at noon for an hour where this week's discussion is hosted by Dr. Don Lewis and features Regent's resident New Testament scholars, Dr. Mariam Kovalishyn and Dr. George Guthrie, weighing in on the impact of N.T. Wright on New Testament studies. You are invited to bring your lunch and join us in Room 100 for a lively discussion. More info at [https://www.regent-college.edu/about-us/events/event-details?event\\_id=910](https://www.regent-college.edu/about-us/events/event-details?event_id=910)

## I Samuel 2:1-10

<sup>1</sup>Hannah prayed and said,  
'My heart exults in the Lord;  
my strength is exalted in my God.  
My mouth derides my enemies,  
because I rejoice in my victory.

<sup>2</sup>There is no Holy One like the Lord,  
no one besides you;  
there is no Rock like our God.

<sup>3</sup>Talk no more so very proudly,  
let not arrogance come from your mouth;  
for the Lord is a God of knowledge,  
and by his actions are weighed.

<sup>4</sup>The bows of the mighty are broken,  
but the feeble gird on strength.

<sup>5</sup>Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread,  
but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.  
The barren has borne seven,  
but she who has many children is forlorn.

<sup>6</sup>The Lord kills and brings to life;  
he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

<sup>7</sup>The Lord makes poor and makes rich;  
he brings low, he also exalts.

<sup>8</sup>He raises up the poor from the dust;  
he lifts the needy from the ash heap,  
to make them sit with princes  
and inherit a seat of honour.  
For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,  
and on them he has set the world.

<sup>9</sup>'He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,  
but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness;  
for not by might does one prevail.

<sup>10</sup>The Lord! His adversaries shall be shattered;  
the Most High will thunder in heaven.  
The Lord will judge the ends of the earth;  
he will give strength to his king,  
and exalt the power of his anointed.' [NRSV]

## Romans 12:9-21

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup>love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. <sup>11</sup>Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not

claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup>Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' <sup>20</sup>No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. [NRSV]

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