

CONFERENCE NEWS

Holy Community Covenant Church, Winnipeg, MB

"Turn us again to yourself, O God. Make your face shine down upon us. Only then will we be saved." Psalm 80:3

Greetings brothers and sisters. We at Holy Community have been mulling over, memorizing, and putting into practice this simple prayer throughout these weeks of expectant waiting. We, on our best days, recognize our real need for God's light to shine in our midst as we seek to be reflectors of that light in the West End of Winnipeg. You can join us in praying that prayer. Further, you can pray with us and for us:

- that our leadership team would continue to grow in courage and discernment; we are a young church and still figuring out what the heck our roles as leaders are in the life of this faith community.
- that our efforts to bless and show kindness to our neighbours in this season would be fruitful.
- that God would provide healing and encouragement to families and individuals experiencing conflict and grief.
- that we would experience in new ways the hope, peace, joy, and love that the Emmanuel brings.

Thanks for being with us in ministry. You are our "mission friends."

Gavin Jensen, Pastor

CHRISTMASTIDE

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7:00pm.

Come join us, as we share the story of the birth of our Saviour and King.

"In those days a decree went out

*from Emperor Augustus
that all the world should be
registered.*

*Joseph went to be registered with
Mary,
to whom he was engaged
and who was expecting a child.*

*While they were there, the time came
for her to deliver her child." ~Luke 2:1,5*



COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

We love to fellowship together after the Sunday morning service. Join us downstairs for a cup of coffee & some goodies.

A huge thank you to all who provide the treats every week!

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| Dec 23 | Mary Lou & Laureen | Jan. 27 | Edie & Carolyn |
| Dec 30 | Kathy & Lori | Feb. 3 | Sarah & Pattie |
| Jan. 6 | Vanessa & Carol L. | Feb. 10 | Linda & Charlene |
| Jan. 13 | Lisa & Allison | Feb. 17 | Lise & Lisa R. |
| Jan. 20 | Christy & Karen | Feb. 24 | Eunice & Veronica |

MALMO MISSION COVENANT CHURCH

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MISSION COVENANT CHURCH



TODAY'S WORSHIP

We're so glad that you joined us this morning!

We'll be starting the service with a "Children's Nativity Processional". If your child would like to participate, please have them meet in the foyer before the service.

If you are in need of hearing assistance, please see our Audio team in the back corner of the sanctuary & they'll provide you with a hearing device.

Help yourself to some apple cider or hot chocolate - available in the foyer.

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

- Pastor Randall
- Pastor Marc
- Heather Nelson
- Christmas Reading by Nadene Reitsma

OUR SCRIPTURE

- Luke 1:39-55 (NIV)

OUR WORSHIP SONGS

- Joy to the World
- The First Noel
- Away in a Manger
- Welcome to Our World
- Angels We Have Heard on High
- Twas in the Moon of Wintertime
- It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
- What Child Is This

OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS PRAYER

Monday:

- ❖ Pastors & Leaders of Malmo
- ❖ Sieg & Maxine
- ❖ Patrick - pray for him as days can be long as a trucker

Tuesday:

- ❖ Nadene - continued treatments & appointments
- ❖ PRAISE!! For the groceries that have been given to help folks
- ❖ Vanessa's son, Jonathon & family moving to Nanaimo. Pray for move & details of Jody's insurance certification.

Wednesday:

- ❖ Helen M.
- ❖ Dave's daughter, Bonnie - surgery - double mastectomy

Thursday:

- ❖ Bert & Vivian
- ❖ Steve & family - health
- ❖ Andy P & team going to Haiti
- ❖ PRAISE - Briar's test results came back clear!

Friday:

- ❖ Dave & Carol A.
- ❖ Heather - depression
- ❖ Marlies' niece - diagnosis of cerebral palsy. Pray for family.
- ❖ Malmo New Build Committee

Saturday:

- ❖ Holy Community Covenant Church, Winnipeg, MB
- ❖ Audrey
- ❖ Glen & Laureen - continue to pray for both of their moms

Email prayer requests to: malmoprayer@gmail.com

Life at Malmo

THIS WEEK



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| Sunday | Sunday School (9:45am) - Open Session for Elementary Kids in the Sanctuary. Class parties to follow. 4th Sunday of Advent Worship Service (11:00am) |
| Monday | Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (7:00pm) |
| Tuesday | Christmas Day - NO Men's Prayer (or next week either.) Resumes on January 8th at 6:30am |
| Wednesday | NO Youth Night (resumes on January 9th) |
| Next Sunday | NO Sunday School (Classes resume on January 13th) Worship Service (11:00am) |

UPCOMING EVENTS

**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
DECEMBER 24TH AT 7:00PM**

**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
DECEMBER 30TH & JANUARY 6TH**

ALL BOARDS MEETING JAN. 8

For all Board Members - 6:30pm in the Fellowship Room.

**"A BREATH OF FRESH AIR"
ONE-DAY LADIES RETREAT JAN. 12**

A time of relaxing, worship, fellowship & food with reflections from Beth Moore's "A Woman's Heart". Location: Pattie P's home. Cost \$20. Sign up sheet on the community bulletin board.

Please sign up by January 6th (room for 16 ladies).

MALMO ANNUAL MEETING JAN. 26

Everyone is invited to our Annual meeting. Come on out & hear some of the stories & happenings of this past year.



NEWS

COLLECTING FOOD FOR COMMUNITY NEEDS

During this Advent season, we will be collecting non-perishable food for needs in our Community. We'll be gathering those 'gifts of food' during the offering time & placing them on the stage.

MEMORY VERSE MENTORS

The C.E. Board is looking for volunteers who would like to listen to memory verses starting in February. If you would like to mentor some of our children and youth in this way, please talk to Lauralea, Edie, Pattie or Pastor Marc.

MALMO PLAY DATE

We are exploring a new ministry called, "Malmo Play Date". This would provide an opportunity to show hospitality and the love of Jesus to our neighbours & community by hosting a coffee/play time for moms and kids, here at Malmo.

We are looking for people who would be willing to host this on Wednesday mornings from 10:00 - 11:30am at the church. This would include making coffee, providing muffins or other snack for the moms & kids, visiting with the moms & cleaning up after the event.

If this interests you, please talk to Pattie, Lauralea, Edie or Pastor Marc.

THE SEASON OF ADVENT

"May we not take lightly the challenge Mary's life presents to us - the challenge of saying yes to God in all the strange and compelling ways in which he calls. May God give us the courage to say yes when he asks us to incarnate his Word in the world. As we move into the Christmas season, may we be those who are able to say 'See, I have come to do your will, O God.' And like Mary, may we know ourselves to be blessed in the process...'For the mighty one has done great things for me, and holy is his name.' (Luke 1:49)

~Ruth Haley Barton

