

CONFERENCE NEWS

Green Timbers Covenant Church, Surrey B.C.

Hello all! Greetings from the west coast where we are finally seeing some signs of spring! Here are some of the things that are happening at GTCC:

A team of six people from GTCC will be heading to Colombia next week on a mission trip. This is our first attempt at a mission trip at GTCC for years. We will be spending a few days in Medellin, Colombia, with the ECC missionaries and then flying to Armenia, Colombia, where we will connect with Andres Rincon, his family, his church and his ministry. We are supporting the work Zonaj as they convert a garage in to a sandwich shop to help support their work in the Nest. The Nest is a ministry to pregnant teens and those who have recently given birth. Pray for safe travel, great connections with the people of Colombia and for God to be glorified in all we do. This is the first time that Merge Ministries has helped coordinate a trip to Colombia.

We have our annual Day Away Spiritual Retreat at the end of April. This is a Saturday that we set aside for a time of prayer, connection and fellowship. This year our speaker is Don Robinson, the recently retired superintendent from the Pacific Northwest Conference of the Covenant Church. Pray for a great time as we ponder what it means to abide in Christ and to seek him as a church.

Our church continues to strive toward our vision of being a multi-cultural, multi-generational Christ centred community. God continues to bless us with new people, new blessings and new challenges as we live out that vision. Pray for us as we seek to include new people, new faces, new cultures and new ministry opportunities into the life of GTCC. One of those challenges that we are seeking to navigate is the problem of transportation. Many of our immigrant families do not drive (for various reasons) and this puts a burden on ride sharing and pick ups.

We are in the midst of big transitions in our children, youth & young adult ministry over this next year. Pray for us as we develop pathways of discipleship, outreach and community for these age groups. A core group of our youth will be graduating & moving onto college/university and into our now needed young adult ministry. A new group of grade eight students will enter into the youth ministry these two things will significantly change our groups! Pray for our ability to navigate cultural & vision challenges for our children's ministry!

Pray, too, for our ability to respond to the needs of the community around us. We are seeking creative pathways to come along side of people in our community – especially refugee families – to help them to thrive. Pray for guidance, creativity and the will to follow where God leads.

One last thing from a more personal point of view: Aaron Peat, our pastoral intern for the last three years, and his fiancée Marissa Baskin are getting married on May 11! They would love your prayers for them as take this significant step in their lives and ministry. Aaron is nearing the end of his studies at Regent and is seeking guidance for his future as well.

Thanks again for your prayers.

Andy Sebanc, Lead Pastor

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!

Mar. 24	Kathy & Lori	Apr. 28	Edie & Carolyn
Mar. 31	Elnice & Delora	May 5	Jan & Jordan
Apr. 7	Vanessa & Carol L.	May 12	Sarah & Pattie
Apr. 14	Lisa N. & Alli	May 19	Linda & Charlene
Apr. 21	Christy & Karen	May 25	Lise & Lisa R.

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MISSION COVENANT CHURCH

TODAY'S WORSHIP

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

Thank you for joining us today. Make yourselves at home as we worship God together. If you are in need of hearing assistance, please see today's Audio team in the back corner of the sanctuary & they'll provide you with a hearing device.

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

- Pastor Randall
- Pastor Marc

OUR SCRIPTURE

- Psalm 63:1-8 (NLT)
- Luke 13:1-9 (NIV)

OUR WORSHIP SONGS

- I Stand Amazed
- Christ Whose Glory
- Lord Have Mercy
- What the Lord Has Done in Me
- Cornerstone
- Everlasting God

***We invite you to place your offerings in either of the donation boxes near the Sanctuary exit doors as you leave. Or you can make a donation online at www.malmochurch.ca. Kids Place' is available downstairs for restless toddlers & their caregivers.*

OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS PRAYER

Monday:

- ❖ Marc's Mom - healing & health
- ❖ Steve - health & strength
- ❖ Helen M.
- ❖ Lise's sister, Marie - strength for her in her last days. Faith & good visits for the family

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Tuesday:

- ❖ Kathy F. - back issues & pain
- ❖ Malmo New Build Committee
- ❖ Wetaskiwin High School Band trip to Ireland - pray for students & leaders

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Wednesday:

- ❖ Dave & Carol A.
- ❖ Sieg & Maxine
- ❖ Madeline's friend, Bethany - on Missions trip

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Thursday:

- ❖ Pastors & Leaders of Malmo
- ❖ Pat's mom, Leslie - cancer. Pray for Doug, Pat & family
- ❖ Audrey - recovery & health

Friday:

- ❖ Nadene - health
- ❖ Sonnenberg family - serious family health concern
- ❖ Covenant Bay Bible Camp & upcoming summer program

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Saturday:

- ❖ Green Timbers Covenant Church, Surry BC
- ❖ Bert & Vivian
- ❖ PRAISE! Birth of baby girl, Brynley Cianna to Danny & Tammy P.

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Email prayer requests to: malmoprayer@gmail.com

THIS WEEK

Sunday	Sunday School (9:45am) Worship Service (11:00am)
Tuesday	Men's Prayer (6:30am)
Wednesday	Malmo Play Date (10:00am)
Thursday	College & Career Bible Study (7:00pm)
Next Sunday	Sunday School (9:45am) Worship Service (11:00am)

UPCOMING EVENTS

CARE HOME SERVICES - APRIL 4TH

- at Good Shepherd Home at 6:30pm
- at Peace Hills Home at 7:30pm

COVENANT BAY LODGE DEDICATION & AGM SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH 10:00AM - 5:00PM

- 10:00 am - Open House
- 11:00 am - Dedication Service
- 12:00 pm - Lunch
- 1:00 pm - AGM
- 3:30pm - Open House

If you are planning on attending, please RSVP by calling 780-586-2828 or visiting www.covenantbay.ca/lodge-dedication-and-agm/ so they can plan for enough food for everyone to enjoy.

MALMO PRAYER WEEK GATHERINGS

- ◆ Monday, April 8th at 7:00pm at Dennis & Ruth Nelson's
- ◆ Wednesday, April 10th at 7:30pm at Malmo
- ◆ Friday, April 12th at 7:00pm at Lorne & Eunice Nelson's

EASTER WEEK SERVICES (AT MALMO UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

- ◆ Palm Sunday: April 14th at 11:00am
- ◆ Maundy Thursday Service: April 18th at 7:00pm
- ◆ Good Friday Service: April 19th
 - at New Sweden Mission Church at 10:00am
- ◆ Easter Sunday Service: April 21st at 11:00am

Life at Malmo

NEWS

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR COFFEE BAR MINISTRY

Looking for people who might be interested in helping with our Coffee Bar ministry. If you're interested or would like more information, please talk to Delora.



COVENANT WOMEN'S TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE - "I AM"

A triennial gathering for women by women! July 18 - 21, 2019 in Minneapolis, Minnesota

Information cards are available on the Malmo Info Table in the foyer. To register for this event, go to: www.iam.covchurch.org

Early Bird Registration Deadline is March 31st.

MALMO CHURCH DIRECTORY

The Malmo Church Directory has been updated and is now available on the Malmo Info Table in the foyer

"O God, I admit it...I know nothing about self-denial. I don't know what to give up or how or why.

My whole life is about consuming and being consumed...and I am deeply cynical about anything that diminishes your desire for us to CHOOSE LIFE.

And yet...I know that simplifying actually clarifies, spring cleaning sweeps away the junk and garbage that weighs me down, eliminating distraction puts me in touch with what I most deeply want - which is You and Your life-changing Wind blowing unencumbered through my life.

O God, lead me in the letting go of anything that distracts, numbs, keeps me jumbled on the inside. Guide me into uncluttered rooms and wide-open spaces where I can meet you.

Amen.

~Ruth Haley Barton,
*Lent: A Season of
Returning*



Journey Through Lent