

A woman with blonde hair, wearing a gold-colored dress, is holding a baby. The baby is wrapped in a white, lace-trimmed blanket. The woman's arms are visible, cradling the baby. The background is plain white.

GODLYMOTHERS



**PORTAGE
AVENUE
CHURCH**

May 14, 2023

CHAPTER-A-DAY BIBLE READING PLAN

We want to read the Bible together! Join us in following this reading plan, which you can also find on our church website at pachurch.ca/bible, on Church Connect, and in the Bible app. The full three year plan is now available on the information booth.

May	1	Romans	2
May	2	Exodus	29
May	3	Exodus	30
May	4	Romans	3
May	5	Exodus	31
May	6	Exodus	32
May	7	Psalms	21-22
May	8	Proverbs	5
May	9	Exodus	33
May	10	Exodus	34
May	11	Romans	4
May	12	Exodus	35
May	13	Exodus	36
May	14	Romans	5
May	15	Exodus	37

May	16	Exodus	38
May	17	Romans	6
May	18	Exodus	39
May	19	Exodus	40
May	20	Psalms	23-24
May	21	Leviticus	1
May	22	Leviticus	2
May	23	Romans	7
May	24	Leviticus	3
May	25	Leviticus	4
May	26	Romans	8
May	27	Leviticus	5
May	28	Leviticus	6
May	29	Romans	9
May	30	Leviticus	7
May	31	Leviticus	8

Portage Avenue church's
Cooking Class

Everyone is welcome to join this cultural cooking class and learn how to make a Mennonite dish!
 Please RSVP

Fee: \$5.00
 Date: May 27, 2023
 10:00 am ~ 12:00 pm
 1420 Portage Avenue

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST! :-)

PORTAGE AVENUE CHURCH

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Caregivers of the Week: Peter & Justina Suderman

Congregational Meeting - We will have a potluck on Sunday May 28, followed by our congregational meeting where we will discuss church finances, missions, and other church business. The agenda and 2022 financial statements can be found by logging into Church Connect, or by picking up a paper copy on the information booth

Men's Breakfast - The next Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, May 27 at 9am at the Viscount Gort. All men welcome!

PAC Youth - The next youth event is May 19th at 7pm

Prayer Vigil For Peace in Ukraine - May 21 @ 3pm here at PAC
A special invitation goes out to our church family to attend this prayer vigil for peace in Ukraine. It will be held in our church building

Tax Filing Service - Need help with your taxes? We have volunteers on hand to prepare tax returns for those with modest incomes and simple tax situations. Register at pachurch.ca/tax-clinic.

Cooking Class - We're excited to announce another cultural cooking class, this time featuring some Mennonite food! More details below.

Mennonite Pasta Keilke

This cooking class has capacity of 30 so please RSVP at pachurch.ca/connect, or on the clipboard in the foyer. Also, please bring your \$5 fee to the class.

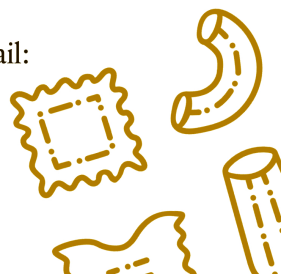
If you have any questions, please email:
Jean (hyiyu1@gmail.com)

Please come fellowship with us!



**All ingredients will be prepared by the church*

From Portage Avenue Church



WHAT'S HAPPENING

Job Opportunities - Did you know there are job opportunities posted on the board outside of the office? Feel free to forward other job opportunities to us so that we can post them.

Young Adults Bible Study - Sundays @ 11:45am

All young adults are invited to attend this Bible Study on Sunday mornings in the youth room.

Knit & Knead Women's Fellowship - May 20th @ 10am

Mark your calendars as Knit and Knead will take place at 10am on Saturday, May 20 in the church basement. This will be our last meeting for the season. We will start up again in the autumn. We are sorry that it is on the long weekend but the church is already booked on the Saturdays before and after this date.

We would like to have a potluck to celebrate our last session. If you are able, please bring a small dish that is appropriate for lunch, something like a salad, fruit dish or a dessert. Refreshments will be provided.

For those who would like to learn to knit, there will be teachers to help you out. If knitting is not for you, bring any other craft to work on or just bring yourself and enjoy good conversation.

Knit & Knead

*Ladies Fellowship
and Mentoring*



*All ages are invited!
Bring your friends,
your favourite craft,
some lunch,
and let's visit together*

**Saturday, May 20
10:00am**

LOOKING FORWARD

Our Missions team has this report to think and pray about before the congregational meeting we're looking forward to on May 28.

The vision of the new mission team is two-fold (Mark 16:15-18, Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8, 2 Corinthians 5:20):

- 1) To equip each disciple of Jesus at PAC to be a local missionary wherever they are; and
- 2) To raise up new missionaries at PAC by giving them mission experience outside of Winnipeg.

We believe that mission needs to start with us at home. So in 2023 we will focus on teaching and inspiring everyone in our church to be a local missionary (active evangelism, hospitality, discipleship, etc.). As we develop ourselves as local missionaries, we also want to work towards doing a short-term mission trip as a church in 2024.

This means that in 2024 we will need our mission funding for this trip, but in 2023 our mission funds can still be distributed amongst the group of missionaries who have applied to our church for mission funding.

So, in 2023 we will distribute the collected missionary funds equally between our six (6) PAC missionary applicants. These are:

- 1) David and Louise Sinclair-Peters (Multiply) receiving \$3,333
- 2) Cory and Masami Giesbrecht (Multiply) receiving \$3,333
- 3) Jen Schmidt (Multiply) receiving \$3,333
- 4) Sandra & Israel Chavez Plett (Multiply) receiving \$3,333
- 5) Emily Cook (YFC) receiving \$3,333
- 6) Greg Wiens (Multiply) receiving \$3,333

In 2024, we will not be supporting any missionaries, nor accepting any new missionary applications. We will recommend that members support the missionaries they want individually.

While this marks a shift in the way our church structures our missionary support, we want to make it clear that this is not a shift away from missions and evangelism, but rather a call to greater work in this area. We hope our church will be inspired to follow Jesus' call to make disciples of all nations, perhaps starting by attending our upcoming evangelism workshop!

PRAYER ALERT

Pray for those who are shut-in and in hospital

Bethania - Mary Witzke, Erna Friesen

Bethel Place - Agnes Pauls

Concordia Hospital - John Sukkau

Concordia Place - John E. Friesen

Concordia Village - Martha Tielmann

Donwood Personal Care - Helen Wiens

Pembina Place - Helen Doerksen

St. Boniface - Susanne Thiessen

Sturgeon Creek Retirement Residence - Bertha Toews

Please pray:

- For Susanne Thiessen who has had surgery to remove cancer and is recovering at St. Boniface
- For John Sawatzky, who is undergoing chemotherapy
- For John Sukkau, who is in hospital
- For Melanie Penner's father, who is ill with cancer
- For Jon Dyck, who is struggling with sciatic nerve pain
- For improved health for Ann Hildebrand
- For Emily Cook as she raises support to work at YFC
- For Marie Dueck as she recovers from stroke at home
- For Jim Penner as he recovers from stroke at home
- For Pastor Jedidiah's mother, who is recovering from a stroke.

Missions Support As Of May 10, 2023



Total Mission Income Received \$39,270

MISSION UPDATE - EMILY COOK (YFC)

Dear Friends and Family,

I have started meeting weekly with a 15-year-old who is pregnant. She has been pregnant before but each of those babies were miscarried. So far, her pregnancy has been a healthy one and she is excited to have her baby boy this summer. She has many questions about God and has been coming consistently to Young Parents group nights. I know that this opportunity to mentor her was brought about by God and I am looking forward to seeing where He leads this young woman.

On April 24th, my hours increased to working 35 hours a week! I am so blessed to have all of the support that I have received through your prayers and donations. God has been showing me His faithfulness throughout this process as He has provided every step of the way. I have grown in my faith to trust Him with my career and this has increased my trust in Him in all areas of my life.

Together, we can make a difference in reaching young parents and pregnant young women for Jesus! I am getting closer to my support raising goals! A large amount of my support is based on one-time gifts. However, in order to create a greater sense of sustainability I am seeking regular monthly partners.

If you are still planning to join me in reaching young families, would you become a monthly partner with Youth for Christ—towards my support? I am getting closer to my monthly support goal which I now hope to reach by May 31st. To give online, go to this link: <https://yfc.ca/winnipeg/donate/>

My sincerest gratitude to those of you who have partnered already, who plan to partner, who pray, and who encourage me in this next phase of my journey.

Many blessings,

Emily Cook

THIS WEEK

Sun. May 14	10:00 am	Worship Service & Fellowship Cafe
	11:45 am	Young Adults Bible Study
Wed. May 17	10:00 am	Staff Meeting
	2:00 pm	Prayer Time
	5:30 pm	Korean Language Ministry
	7:30 pm	PAC Korean Worship Service
Fri. May 19	10:00 am	PAC Homeschool Group
	6:00 pm	Conversational English
	7:00 pm	PAC Youth
Sat. May 20	10:00 am	Knit & Knead
	2:30 pm	Grief Share

NEXT WEEK

Sun. May 21	10:00 am	Worship Service & Fellowship Cafe
	11:45 am	Young Adults Bible Study
	3:00 pm	Prayer Vigil for Peace in Ukrain (at PAC)
Tue. May 23	Office Closed in Lieu of Victoria Day	
	7:00 pm	Church Council
Wed. May 24	10:00 am	Staff Meeting
	2:00 pm	Prayer Time
	5:30 pm	Korean Language Ministry
	7:30 pm	PAC Korean Worship Service
Fri. May 26	6:00 pm	Conversational English
Sat. May 27	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast
	10:00 am	Cooking Class
	2:30 pm	Grief Share
	6:00 pm	Slavic Fellowship



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