



Celebration Service



**PORTAGE
AVENUE
CHURCH**

September 10, 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.

September 1	Deuteronomy	3	September 16	Deuteronomy	13
September 2	Deuteronomy	4	September 17	Deuteronomy	14
September 3	Colossians	1	September 18	1 Corinthians	1
September 4	Deuteronomy	5	September 19	Deuteronomy	15
September 5	Deuteronomy	6	September 20	Deuteronomy	16
September 6	Colossians	2	September 21	1 Corinthians	2
September 7	Deuteronomy	7	September 22	Deuteronomy	17
September 8	Deuteronomy	8	September 23	Deuteronomy	18
September 9	Colossians	3	September 24	1 Corinthians	3
September 10	Deuteronomy	9	September 25	Deuteronomy	19
September 11	Deuteronomy	10	September 26	Deuteronomy	20
September 12	Colossians	4	September 27	Psalms	41
September 13	Deuteronomy	11	September 28	Proverbs	10
September 14	Deuteronomy	12	September 29	Deuteronomy	21
September 15	Psalms	39-40	September 30	Deuteronomy	22

KIDS IN THE WORD

STARTING SEPTEMBER 17
 REGISTER AT PACHURCH.CA/REGISTER

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Caregivers of the Week: Rick & Kathy Penner

Baptism Sunday + Lunch TODAY - It's ministry kickoff Sunday, and we're also welcoming Anastasia, Leah, Ed & Kathy, Daria, and Don & Eileen into our faith family this morning, as they make a faith commitment together with us. You're invited to stay for a special lunch after the worship service as part of our ministry kick off Sunday, courtesy of the Burse & Nezvesciuc families!

Korean Language Ministry - our Korean language ministry is starting up again for the fall on September 13. Learn more about the Korean culture and language. Register at pachurch.ca/connect

Conversational English Kickoff - this ministry starts up again on Sept 15 and will run each Friday at 6pm.

PAC Youth Kickoff - the first fall youth event is on Thursday, September 14, at 7pm at the church

Seniors Exercise Class Kickoff - our first "Stepping Up" senior's exercise class of the fall will be on Tuesday, Sept 12 at 2pm

Slavic Fellowship September 23rd - the Slavic Fellowship is kicking off the fall schedule on September 23 at 6pm



TUESDAYS AT 2PM

Stepping Up

FREE SENIORS EXERCISE CLASS
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SEP 12/23 TO APR 23/24

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Register your kids/youth for fall - Every year we need to get parental permission for our youth and children ministries. Please register now at pachurch.ca/register

Kids in the Summer - We have clipboards at the back of the sanctuary with activities for our kids this week. Kids in the Word will start again next week! Register today at pachurch.ca/register

Knit & Knead Women's Fellowship - Sept 16th @ 10am

"It isn't really about knitting, it's more like knitting and kneading hearts together in love." Whether you can knit or not, bring your friends, your favourite craft, some lunch, and let's visit together!

Young Adult Bible Study - our first Bible Study for the fall will be September 17, at 11:45am

Women's Bible Study - "God of Covenant"

This will be Part II of last year's Bible Study on Genesis. It will run for 10 weeks on Sundays at 11:45am in the chapel, starting September 24. There will be a break for Thanksgiving Sunday. There is a \$20 cost for the workbooks. Please register ASAP so that we can order enough workbooks. Register at pachurch.ca/connect or there is a sign up sheet on the info booth



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GOD OF COVENANT

Sundays at 11:45am

Starting September 24 - 10 weeks

Workbooks are \$20

Register at pachurch.ca/connect
or in foyer


LOOKING FORWARD

We are looking forward to MissionFest, even though it's months away, the first weekend in February. Our goal this year is to attend MissionFest as a church, so we're blocking off the calendar and not scheduling any church events that weekend, aside from our Sunday morning service, of course. Rumour has it that we will have a special guest speaker that Sunday from MissionFest! We encourage you to mark your calendars as well.

FYI - Changes of Address

- Erna Friesen has moved rooms at Bethania
- Adina Sukkau is moving on October 1 and has a change of address

Check Church Connect or contact the church office for more info

 <p>STARTING SEPT 14</p>	<p>PAC YOUTH GRADE 6 - 12</p>
	<p>THURSDAYS</p>
	<p>7-8:30PM</p>

PRAYER ALERT

Pray for those who are shut-in:

Bethania - Mary Witzke, Erna Friesen

Bethel Place - Agnes Pauls

Concordia Place - John E. Friesen

Concordia Village - Martha Tielmann

Donwood Personal Care - Helen Wiens

Pembina Place - Helen Doerksen

Sturgeon Creek Retirement Residence - Bertha Toews

Please also pray:

- For Phyllis Reynar, who is home from the hospital, recovering
- For Randi Neufeld, who had surgery and is recovering at home
- For Agatha Froese, who is at Deer Lodge and in need of healing
- For Ruth Pauls, who is home from hospital but still recovering
- For Jon Dyck, who is struggling with sciatic nerve pain
- 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 continues to recover from stroke
- For Pastor Jedidiah's mother, who is recovering from a stroke.

Square One World Media Prayer Request

Pray for Natalia Chernomor who leads Square One World Media's partner studio in Ukraine. She sees that people are living with unspeakable tragedy, but she sees God's miracles, too.



MISSION UPDATE - Cory & Masami Giesbrecht

It has been a nice hot summer here in Japan!

Thanks God - we have had a lot of chances to enjoy being outdoors; visits to the park with our 3-year-old foster son, travelling with my older sister's family to Hiroshima, and doing evangelism here and there,

We got to witness a weekly prayer-walk being transformed into a weekly outreach!

We have been prayer-walking at the nearby Osaka University campus for a number of years now and in the past God answered these prayers by sending students to our house for the weekly supper club at our house. Since the pandemic we have not been receiving students in this way but we have continued prayer-walking on campus.

In June my older German friend Micheal and I were sensing that God was wanting to add evangelism to the prayer-walking. I was blown away to hear that the first person that Michael approached (a young woman named "Hannah") was very interested in connecting! I would not normally approach young women while doing outreach, and to have the very first person express such interest seemed to be a miracle! As it turns out Hannah has come almost every week since that day and has invited four of her friends from her Indonesian language class. Wow – God has given us a "person of peace"! They are interested in hearing about Jesus, in receiving prayer, and they hope to come and serve the poor downtown together in September.

Is Jesus calling you to do prayer-walking in your community?

When Jesus is leading, you never know where you will end up!

But we know that he is "able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us" (Eph 3:20)

To read the rest of this update, or to see our other mission updates, visit pachurch.ca/missions or view our mission board in the foyer

THIS WEEK

Sun. Sept 10	10:00 am	Fall Kickoff Celebration Service
	11:15 am	Kick-off Lunch
	11:45 am	Adults Bible Study
Tue. Sept 12	2:00 pm	Seniors Stepping Up Exercise Class
Wed. Sept 13	2:00 pm	Prayer Time
	5:30 pm	Korean Language Ministry
	7:30 pm	Korean Fellowship Worship Service
Thurs. Sept 14	7:00 pm	PAC Youth
Fri. Sept 15	6:00 pm	Conversational English

NEXT WEEK

	Sept 19-22	Melanie at a Bookkeeping Conference
Sun. Sept 17	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:45 am	Adults Bible Study
	11:45 am	Young Adults Bible Study
Tue. Sept 19	2:00 pm	Seniors Stepping Up Exercise Class
Wed. Sept 20	2:00 pm	Prayer Time
	5:30 pm	Korean Language Ministry
	7:30 pm	Korean Fellowship Worship Service
Thurs. Sept 21	7:00 pm	PAC Youth
Fri. Sept 22	6:00 pm	Conversational English
Sat. Sept 23	2:30 pm	Grief Share

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