

# JESUS & CHILDREN



**PORTAGE  
AVENUE  
CHURCH**

March 16, 2025

# CHAPTER-A-DAY BIBLE READING PLAN

Let's read the Bible together! We follow this plan, which you can also find at [pachurch.ca/bible](http://pachurch.ca/bible), on Church Connect, and the Bible app

March 1	2 Thessalonians	1
March 2	Job/Psalms	7/116
March 3	Job	8
March 4	Psalms	115
March 5	Job	9
March 6	Job	10
March 7	2 Thessalonians	2
March 8	Job	11
March 9	Proverbs	22
March 10	Job	12
March 11	2 Thessalonians	3
March 12	Job	13
March 13	Job	14
March 14	Titus	1
March 15	Job/Psalms	15/118
March 16	Job	16

March 17	Psalms	117
March 18	Job	17
March 19	Job	18
March 20	Titus	2
March 21	Job	19
March 22	Job	20
March 23	Titus	3
March 24	Job	21
March 25	Job	22
March 26	Jude	1
March 27	Job	23
March 28	Job	24
March 29	Philemon	1
March 30	Job	25
March 31	Job	26

Portage Avenue Church's

## Cooking Class

Learn how to cook Soy-Braised Tofu  
An authentic Chinese Dish

Ingredients Fee: \$5  
Date: April 5, 2025  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
1420 Portage Avenue



Space is limited so please RSVP at [pachurch.ca/connect](http://pachurch.ca/connect)

Questions? Email Jean ([hyiyu1@gmail.com](mailto:hyiyu1@gmail.com))

PS: Children are welcome to join their parents for free.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## Sunday Morning Bible Studies at 11:45am

Women's Bible Study - in Room 4 (end of basement hall)

PAC Bible Study - in Room 5 (end of basement hall)

PAC-K Bible Study - in Room 6 (mid basement hall)

Men's Bible Study - in Room 14 (end of main level hall)

**Thank You from Anni Duerken** - My family and I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the staff at Portage Avenue Church for the help we received during Frank's funeral. I personally would like to say a big thank you to my church family for all the support we received during Frank's illness. It was comforting to know that so many people were praying for Frank and me. – Anni Duerksen

**Youth Camp Registration** - Everyone ages 12-21 is invited to join us April 4-6 for a youth retreat at Camp Cedarwood. There is a \$40 deposit due at registration. Register now at [pachurch.ca/connect](http://pachurch.ca/connect)

**Cooking Class** - We are hosting another cultural cooking class! On April 5 (10am-12pm) we will be featuring a hands-on opportunity to learn how to prepare an authentic Chinese dish: soy-braised tofu. Space is limited to 30 people, please register at [pachurch.ca/connect](http://pachurch.ca/connect). There is a \$5 fee that covers the costs of ingredients. Hope to see you there!



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

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**CHALLENGES**

**LIFE'S**

**TO FACE**

**HOW**

This week: How to face temptation  
Sundays at 11:45am in Room 14

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

**Keenager Life Group Meeting** - This new life group for those going through a life transition like retirement will be meeting at Will & Edie's on Thursday, April 10th @ 7pm. New people are welcome to join. Contact Will & Edie Peters or David & Rose Wenger for more info.

## **Young Adults - New Meeting Time! (Again...)**

The young adults will now be meeting in the youth room at 11:45am every Sunday. Enjoy fellowship cafe with the church family, but also bring a snack to power through the lunch hour!

**Lost and Found Table** - We're always praying for the lost, and we pray that you might be able to find items that you've lost. Check out the table in the lower auditorium, full of lost items longing for their owner. At this point if there's anything there you can use, feel free to take it!

**Fellowship Cafe Freezer** - A huge thank you to all who have brought goodies for Fellowship Cafe. We're still looking for more items to replenish the freezer supply, so please continue your baking!

## **Fasting and Prayer for Lent**

It might be a late start but it's never too late. We invite everyone to check out the YouVersion app plan: "40 Days of Prayer & Fasting" for some guidance and scripture to take us through prayer & fasting in this season. You can find it at [bible.com/en/reading-plans/34901](https://bible.com/en/reading-plans/34901)

## **Keenager Life Group**

Are you about to retire or  
have you recently retired?  
Are you starting another  
life change?

Connect, support, and grow with us,  
meeting every other week.

Thursdays at 7:00 pm

For more info contact Will & Edie Peters  
or David & Rose Wenger

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## **Men's Breakfast - March 29 at 9am (please register)**

Men, join us for breakfast! The cost is only \$10. We just ask that you register beforehand so we can plan for the amount of food needed. If you sign up via Connect you can pay online or you can pay cash via a donation envelope and designate it to "Men's Breakfast." There is also a paper sign up sheet on the information booth in the sanctuary.

## **Church Directory Oops**

Our apologies - we had the postal code for Will & Edie incorrect. The online directory has now been corrected.

## **Retired Chairs For Sale**

Now that we have nice brand new chairs, most of our older brown chairs were sold to a young growing Nigerian church in Brandon. We have 40 or so remaining chairs in assorted colours, still available for sale. There are also 100 wooden chairs. You can view them in the overflow area at the north side of the chapel, and contact [jeremy@pachurch.ca](mailto:jeremy@pachurch.ca) if you're interested.

## **Tax Clinic**

Do you need help with your taxes? Our tax clinic is running on Fridays and Saturdays until April 26. Appointments are required. You can book an appointment at [pachurch.ca/tax-clinic](http://pachurch.ca/tax-clinic)



# MEN'S BREAKFAST

Last Saturday of the month at 9 am

\$10 per person

Register via Connect

or sign up sheet on information booth

# PRAYER ALERT

**Caregivers of the Week:** Peter & Justina Suderman

**Pray for those who are shut-in:**

Bethania - Mary Witzke, Erna Friesen, Agnes Pauls

Concordia Place - John E. Friesen

Donwood Personal Care - Helen Wiens

Oakview Place - Agatha Froese

River Ridge 2 - Paul Wiebe

Sturgeon Creek Retirement Residence - Bertha Toews

**Please also pray:**

- for John Penner, who would appreciate prayers for an upcoming medical procedure in April
- for improved health for Tina Froese
- for healing, strength, and peace for John and Sara Sawatzky as John's health and strength are deteriorating
- for Paul Wiebe who is awaiting a placement to a Personal Care Home
- for healing, strength and peace for Tina Pulver

**Square One World Media** - Pray that Virginia Spence, host of Square One World Media's online video series for Indigenous women A Courageous Heart, would continue to find new interviewees with great stories to tell.

**March 22nd @ 6pm**

**Slavic  
Life Group  
Kickoff**

**Growing together in community**

**Email [anna.sokolenko.5.17@gmail.com](mailto:anna.sokolenko.5.17@gmail.com) for info**

# SERMON NOTES

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## GOING DEEPER

Use these questions to reflect on the sermon, potentially with a small group.

1. What is God saying to you through this message?
2. What did you learn about God's character through the sermon?
3. What does your response need to be?

### Translation!

Try these translation languages with the link below:

- 1) Russian, available on phones and the church headsets
- 2) Persian (Farsi), available on phones and the church headsets
- 3) Korean, available only on phones
- 4) Chinese (Mandarin), available only on phones



## Translation



[pachurch.ca/translation](http://pachurch.ca/translation)

# THIS WEEK

Sun. March 16	10:00 am	Worship Service & Fellowship Cafe
	11:45 am	Bible Studies & Young Adults
Tue. March 18	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
	2:00 pm	Seniors Exercise Class
Wed. March 19	10:00 am	PAC Homeschool Group
	2:00 pm	Prayer Gathering
	5:30 pm	Korean Language Ministry
	7:30 pm	Korean Worship Service
Thurs. Mar 20	7:00 pm	PAC Youth
Fri. March 21	6:00 pm	Conversational English
	6:00 pm	Tax Clinic (appointment required)
Sat. March 22	10:00 am	Tax Clinic (appointment required)
	2:30 pm	Grief Share

# NEXT WEEK

Sun. March 23	10:00 am	Worship Service & Fellowship Cafe
	11:45 am	Bible Studies & Young Adults
Tue. March 25	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
	2:00 pm	Seniors Exercise Class
	6:30 pm	Council Meeting
Wed. March 26	10:00 am	PAC Homeschool Group
	2:00 pm	Prayer Gathering
	5:30 pm	Korean Language Ministry
	7:30 pm	Korean Worship Service
Thurs. Mar 27	7:00 pm	PAC Youth
Fri. March 28	6:00 pm	Conversational English
	6:00 pm	Tax Clinic (appointment required)
Sat. March 29	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast
	10:00 am	Tax Clinic (appointment required)
	2:30 pm	Grief Share
	5:00 pm	Russian-Korean Fellowship



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