

GOING BEYOND



**PORTAGE
AVENUE
CHURCH**

March 23, 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, on Church Connect, and the Bible app

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

April	1	Psalms	119
April	2	Job	27
April	3	Job	28
April	4	John	1
April	5	Job	29
April	6	Job	30
April	7	John	2
April	8	Job	31
April	9	Job	32
April	10	John	3-4
April	11	Job	33
April	12	Job	34
April	13	Psalms	120-122
April	14	Job	35
April	15	Job	36

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
Questions? Email Jean (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)

Condolences - to the family and friends of John Penner who went to be with Jesus on Sunday, March 16. Let's extend our prayers especially to our church family members Peter Dueck (brother-in-law), Rick (son) & Kathy Penner, Darlene Penner (daughter), and Brittany Penner (granddaughter). The celebration of life will be held here at PAC on Monday, March 24, at 12pm.

Last Day to Register for Youth Camp! - Young adults are being invited to join us for the youth retreat as well, on April 4-6 at Camp Cedarwood. The full registration is \$140 for young adults. Register now at 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. There is a \$5 fee that covers the costs of ingredients. Hope to see you there!



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Last Saturday of the month at 9 am

\$10 per person

Register via Connect

or sign up sheet on information booth

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.

Keenager Life Group Meeting (New Meeting Time)

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

Free Stuff Table - The lost and found table has been up for a while, and is now just the lost stuff table. If there's anything there you can use, feel free to take it!

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

Men's Bible Study Will Resume in September

The study has wound up for this season and will resume in September



Fill the Fellowship Freezer

Our freezer full of goodies for Fellowship Cafe is getting low. Can you help by making (or purchasing) some treats? Drop them off at the kitchen any Sunday.

FINAL UPDATE FOR 2024 BEAN DRIVE

Hello church family.

You will recall that this past December, we held a fund drive to purchase dry yellow peas in bulk that we planned to donate to Harvest Manitoba. The purpose of doing this was to help put food on the tables of Manitoba individuals and families who were having trouble doing so on their own.

You might rightly be wondering by now how this fund drive turned out. How much money did we raise, and what quantity of peas were we able to buy and donate with the money that was raised? I'm in a position to answer those questions now.

Over the course of our drive in December, we were able to raise a total of \$5,565. In addition, we had approximately \$11 left over from last year, so we had a total of about \$5,576 available to spend on peas. Fortunately (for us), over the course of our drive the price of the whole yellow dry peas we planned to buy dropped from an originally quoted price of \$700 per metric tonne to \$660 per tonne (that's \$0.66 per kilogram, in case you were wondering).

With the money that we had available, and since we were purchasing these peas in bulk and they came packaged in 25 kg. bags, we were able to purchase 8,425 kg. of whole yellow dry peas. Incidentally, if you relate more readily to lbs. than to kg., that's approximately 18,570 lbs.! These peas were ordered on February 7th, picked up from AGT Foods on March 6th, and delivered to Harvest Manitoba on or about last Friday, March 7th, 2025.

I would like to thank all those who donated towards this project, as well as those who helped by sitting at the table in the foyer at church on Sunday mornings during the drive to receive people's donations.

Jon Dyck (on behalf of the Dry Bean Drive Committee)

PRAYER ALERT

Caregivers of the Week: Dorothy Huebert & Heather Peters

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 the Carpentier family and Hannah Jean as they navigate a health concern
- for family and friends of John Penner, who grieve their loss and make arrangements
- for healing, strength, and peace for John and Sara Sawatzky as John's health and strength are deteriorating
- PRAISE: for Paul Wiebe who is moving to Bethania mid April
- for healing, strength and peace for Tina Pulver
- for the youth, leaders, and speaker going to the Youth Retreat
 - good fellowship & fun
 - safety
 - drawing closer to God and to each other



WE TAKE PHOTOS!

We're often taking photos to share what God is doing in our church. If you don't want your photo used online, please let us know by emailing jeremy@pachurch.ca

SERMON NOTES

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

THIS WEEK

Sun. March 23	10:00 am	Worship Service & Fellowship Cafe
	11:45 am	Bible Studies & Young Adults
Mon. March 24	12:00 pm	John Penner Celebration of Life
Tue. March 25	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
	3:30 pm	Russian-Korean Fellowship

NEXT WEEK

Sun. March 30	10:00 am	Worship Service & Fellowship Cafe
	11:45 am	Bible Studies & Young Adults
Tue. April 1	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
	2:00 pm	Seniors Exercise Class
Wed. April 2	10:00 am	PAC Homeschool Group
	2:00 pm	Prayer Gathering
	5:30 pm	Korean Language Ministry
	7:30 pm	Korean Worship Service
Thurs. April 3	Office Closed Due to Planned Power Outage	
Friday-Sunday	Youth and Young Adults at Camp Cedarwood	
Fri. April 4	6:00 pm	Conversational English
	6:00 pm	Tax Clinic (appointment required)
Sat. April 5	10:00 am	Cultural Cooking Class
	10:00 am	Tax Clinic (appointment required)
	2:30 pm	Grief Share



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