

## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

Men's Morning Prayer  
Pastor Glenn Loewen

## YOUTH MINISTRY (Grades 7-12)

### Youth / Cancelled for Christmas

Next regular event – Jan 5<sup>th</sup>

**#Known** - 1 day youth retreat for  
Grade 6-8s / Jan 20<sup>th</sup> / 1-9pm / \$25

### Budget Update as of Nov 30<sup>th</sup>

2017 Budget	\$320,616
Required by Nov 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$293,899
Received by Nov 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$263,686
Shortfall	\$30,213

*With our financial year end Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, it would be really great if we could meet the required income with receipts of funds amounting to just over double that of a regular month. God is that BIG!  
- For the Elders Board – Reynold Plett*

## More ANNOUNCEMENTS...

- On the **magazine table** by the Library... Daily Breads, magazines, books
- **Garage Sale** in January / Drop items off at the church (proceeds to go towards families in need and immigrant ministry)
- **Nicaragua** was hit hard by Hurricane Nate and additional monsoon rains in October 2017. EMC will be sending \$10,000 to assist with emergency relief efforts and invites you to consider giving to this relief project. To donate call [204-326-6401](tel:204-326-6401) or go to [www.emconference.ca/donate](http://www.emconference.ca/donate). Thank you!

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9:00AM – 4:00PM

## PRAYER & PRAISE

### Immigrant Christmas Party

Myrna & team this afternoon as they bless immigrants here, missing the familiar Christmas traditions in their countries of origin.

### Our EMC Conference Churches Region 6

#### South-Central Manitoba

- ✓ Morris Fellowship Chapel
- ✓ Pleasant Valley EMC
- ✓ Roseisle EMC
- ✓ Rosenort EMC
- ✓ Rosenort Fellowship Chapel

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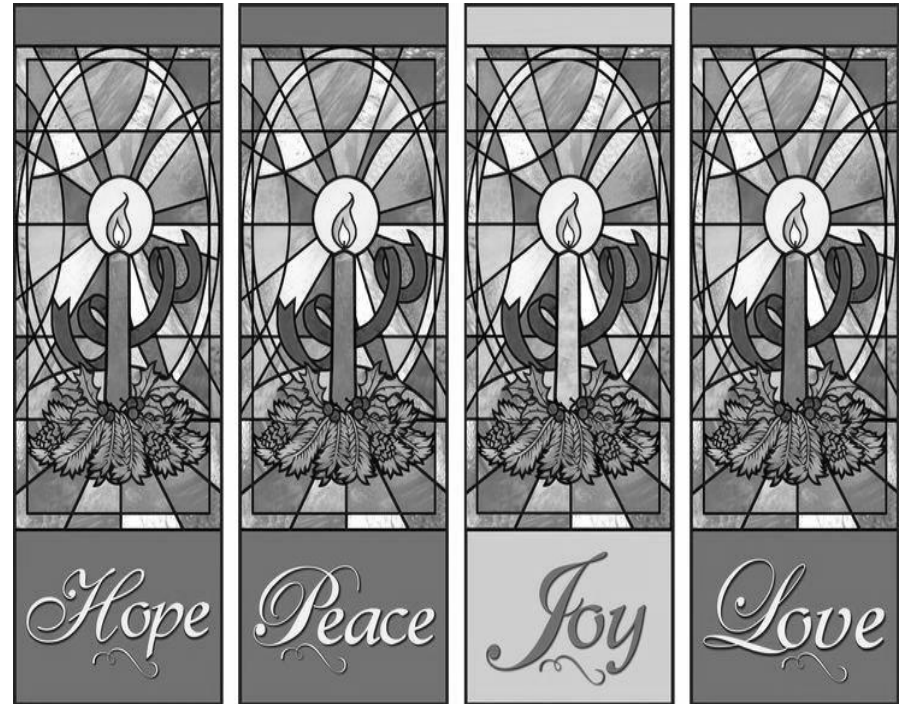
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# PORTAGE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

December 17, 2017

Sunday Morning Prayer: 9:00 am  
Sunday School: 9:30 am  
Worship Service: 10:30 am



*"So be truly glad. There is wonderful joy ahead, even though you must endure many trials for a little while. These trials will show that your faith is genuine."*

1 Peter 1:6-9



Not to us, O Lord, not to us but to your name be the glory...Psalm 115:1

## TODAY AT PEC

- PEC Christmas Service with presentations by the children

### Nursery 1 (Birth to 35 months)

Betty Neufeld & Lorenz Baer

### Nursery 2 (3 to 5 years)

Beth Beauchamp & Charlotte Plett & Liz Wiebe

### Children's Church (Grades 1 to 4)

Brenda Baer & Clara Baer & Natasha Loewen

### Hall Monitors

Myrna Buhr & Chris Kitchen

## THIS WEEK

- Monday – **Men's Prayer** / 6:30am  
– **God's Kitchen** / 9:00am
- Tuesday – **Family Prayer** / 7:00pm
- Wednesday – **Men's Prayer** / 6:30am
- Thursday – **Central Plains Prayer Room** / 7:00pm
- Saturday – **Spanish Church** / 7:00pm (at Paul Friesens')

## COMING UP

- Dec 18<sup>th</sup> **God's Kitchen** / I would appreciate your support by bringing groceries, or cash donations made to PEC and marked for "God's Kitchen." We need about 6 people to come help put the meals together and clean up. Groceries needed this month are: ham, ground beef, potatoes, pasta and pasta sauce. Please check the bulletin board for more information or call **Carla Hemingway** (204-872-4547).  
Thank you to all who support this ministry.
- Dec 24<sup>th</sup> **Baptism Sunday** – Clara Baer, Rebecca Wiebe and Hailey Wieler are anticipating a memorial Christmas by identifying with Jesus in baptism.
- Dec 25<sup>th</sup> **Christmas Morning Service** / 10:30am
- Jan 14<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> **Week of Prayer & Fasting**
- Jan 21<sup>st</sup> **New Comer's Luncheon**
- Jan 21<sup>st</sup> **The Gospel of John** / Dessert Theatre presented by Steinbach Bible College Drama Team

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please email **announcements** to [myrna@mymts.net](mailto:myrna@mymts.net) by 10am Thursday.
- **Prayer Chain** / Call Julie Giesbrecht (204-872-3036).  
If there is no answer call the church.
- **Congratulations** to **Daniel Krause & Amanda Kusk**, married Dec 16!
- **No Sunday School** December 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>
- **Child Dedication** early in the New Year... Contact one of the pastors if interested.
- **Membership service** early in the New Year... Contact one of the pastors.
- **Christmas Hampers** / We need someone to organize the hamper supplies and deliver hampers on Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please call the church office if you can help.  
Items still needed: 3 turkeys, 3 bags of frozen vegetables, 4 plates of baking, 2 cans of cranberries, 4 doz homemade buns, 4 bags of raisins, 4 bags of chocolate chips, 4 small bags of brown sugar, 4 small bags of flour.
- Some people have to choose between church or a migraine when there are strong **perfumes and deodorants** present. Please help make this a place they can participate in spite of sensitivities. Help us make this a scent free environment.
- **Broken Hearts Ministries** are inviting donations toward Christmas meal packages - \$50 each - to bless needy families in Juarez. Also, Adrian & Diana have added the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor to their house and it's ready for the roof. Anyone available to go help?
- **Ladies Bible Study** will resume January 10<sup>th</sup>.
- **Prairie Pregnancy Support Centre** invites those with a heart to serve individuals in pregnancy related crisis to join the volunteer training January 8-13, 2018. Looking for receptionists, counsellors, clothing closet workers, administrative help, handymen, mentors (men and women). Contact Maribeth with questions. [mary@prairiepregnancy.com](mailto:mary@prairiepregnancy.com)