

# Millwoods Community Church September 13, 2020 Streaming Bulletin



"To know and accept Jesus Christ personally as Lord and Saviour, grow in relationship with Him and make Him known"



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## Prelude

### Welcome & Congregational Prayer

Dearest friend, help us surrender to you. Grant us faith to deepen and share our relationship with you. Grant us love to listen to our neighbours for unmet needs in our community. Grant us hope to see anew, our identity in you. Amen.

### Graves Into Gardens

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I'm not afraid to show You my weakness  
My failures and flaws  
Lord You've seen them all  
And You still call me friend  
'Cause the God of the mountain  
Is the God of the valley  
And there's not a place  
Your mercy and grace won't find me again

### **Chorus**

Oh there's nothing better than You  
There's nothing better than You  
Lord there's nothing  
Nothing is better than You

### **Bridge**

You turn mourning to dancing  
You give beauty for ashes  
You turn shame into glory  
You're the only one who can

You turn graves into gardens  
You give beauty for ashes  
You turn shame into glory  
You're the only one who can **(Chorus)**

### **Scripture Reading** Matthew 18:15-20

“If your brother or sister sins against you, go and correct them when you are alone together. If they listen to you, then you’ve won over your brother or sister. But if they won’t listen, take with you one or two others so that *every word may be established by the mouth of two or three witnesses*. But if they still won’t pay attention, report it to the church. If they won’t pay attention even to the church, treat them as you would a Gentile and tax collector. I assure you that whatever you fasten on earth will be fastened in heaven. And whatever you loosen on earth will be loosened in heaven. Again I assure you that if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, then my Father who is in heaven will do it for you. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I’m there with them.”

### **Message**

#### *I am Jesus' Little Lamb*

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I am Jesus' little lamb; ever glad at heart I am;  
For my shepherd gently guides me, knows my need and well provides me,  
Loves me every day the same, even calls me by my name.

Day by day, at home, away, Jesus is my staff and stay.  
When I hunger, Jesus feeds me, into pleasant pastures leads me;  
When I thirst, he bids me go where the quiet waters flow.

Who is happy as I am, even now the Shepherd's lamb?  
And when my short life is ended, by his angel host attended,  
He shall fold me to his breast, there within his arms to rest.

## Baptism

### *An Infant We Present to Thee*

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An infant we present to thee  
As thy redeemed property,  
And thee most fervently entreat thyself  
This child to consecrate  
By baptism, and its soul to bless,  
Out of the fullness of thy grace.

### *Here in The Name*

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Here in the name of Christ our Lord,  
the church's Head by all adored,  
with Christian love and purpose true,  
this church in faith embraces you.

We welcome you among us here,  
with joy that God has brought you near.  
With heart and hand we pledge our love,  
and pray Christ's blessing from above.

The God of peace you sanctify  
and bless you richly from on high,  
that spirit, soul, and body may  
reflect God's presence ev'ry day.

## Offering

### Holy Water

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#### **Verse 1**

God I'm on my knees again  
God I'm begging please again  
I need You Oh I need You  
Walking down these desert roads  
Water for my thirsty soul  
I need You Oh I need You

#### **Chorus**

Your forgiveness  
Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips  
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears  
Like holy water (on my skin)

### **Bridge**

I don't wanna abuse Your grace  
God I need it ev'ry day  
It's the only thing that ever really  
Makes me wanna change

### **Ending**

Yeah it's like holy water on my skin  
Oh it's like holy water

**Blessings and Concerns** (reminder to send in your messages to Pastor Aaron)

### Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone

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#### **Verse 1**

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see

#### **Verse 2**

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

#### **Chorus**

My chains are gone I've been set free  
My God my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love amazing grace

#### **Verse 3**

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

#### **Verse 4**

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here below  
Will be forever mine  
Will be forever mine  
You are forever mine

# Ministry Opportunities

## \*Benediction

## Postlude

### Who's doing what today

**Message:** Pastor Aaron Linville

**Music Accompanist:** Katie

**Musical Volunteers:** Ian, Alieda

**Sound, Media, and Streaming:** Amy, Leslyn

**Scripture Reading:** Leslyn

### **For your consideration:**

The MWCC Elders want to encourage all of our members to support our unhoused neighbors as the weather begins to get colder. We ask that you consider helping them through the Bissell Centre, the Mustard Seed, or another outreach that cares for our unhoused neighbors.

We also ask that you consider helping unhoused persons through Camp Pekiwin, which sprang up after the city closed the day shelter at the Expo Centre. We recognize that Camp Pekiwin advocates for a broad range of issues, some of which are controversial in our society, within our congregation, and even within our small Board of Elders (most notably defunding the police, and free public transit). For this reason, and the fact that the camp does not have legal status, we are not endorsing Camp Pekiwin as a congregational ministry.

At the same time, Camp Pekiwin is helping unhoused persons with their immediate needs like food, shelter, and clothing. The Elders all agree that helping our unhoused neighbors is what Jesus calls us to do and that none of our members would object to providing food and clothing to persons in need. So, we encourage you as an individual to pray about it, and if you feel led, consider helping Camp Pekiwin support our unhoused neighbors by providing them with:

bottled water  
sandwiches  
sponsored meals  
water (refill empty jugs)  
men's jeans  
t shirts  
hoodies  
sweat pants  
socks  
underwear  
runners

granola bars  
fruit cups  
canned fruit  
noodles  
snack veggies  
bananas & oranges  
cereal  
chips  
meal replacement drinks  
jam  
rain gear

jacket  
toothbrushes  
polysporin  
bandaids  
gauze  
eye pads  
body wash (no bars)  
self-adherent gauze  
wraps  
shampoo (no  
conditioner)

baby wipes (small packages)  
tarps  
tents & tent poles  
bus tickets

cigarettes  
sleeping bags  
lawn chairs  
blankets  
firewood

art supplies/books  
gloves  
garbage bags  
hay

If you would like to help Camp Pekiwewin support our unhoused neighbors by providing any of these items, please email them at [pekiwewinvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:pekiwewinvolunteers@gmail.com).

If supporting Camp Pekiwewin is not something you are comfortable doing, please reach out to the Mustard Seed, the Bissell Centre, or another organization in the city that cares for unhoused persons and ask what you can do to help.

### **WINGS is Looking for volunteers**

Wings is looking for volunteers to deliver bread from the Sobeys on 50th Street and 23 Avenue to WINGS on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings. Please email or call Pastor Aaron if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

### **Donate**

We now have a new feature on our church website that allows you to donate directly to the church. Go to [www.mcchurch.ca](http://www.mcchurch.ca) and click on the donate button on the top of the homepage, and choose which method of donation you wish to use. You can also mail cheques to the church, too.

### **No In-Person Worship attendance for the time being**

The Board and Re-In-Personing Team agree unanimously that this is not the right time for us to have in person attendance at our worship services.

There are three big reasons for this decision:

1. On August 24th, the Board of Elders in the Canadian District emailed out new guidelines for all our congregations. The new guidelines recommend that we not have in-person attendance at this time, stating, "It is our assessment that the risk outweighs the benefits of in-person gatherings at this time. While a more aggressive return may be legally possible, we believe it is not a faithful response."
2. The second reason is the noticeable increase in COVID cases in Edmonton over the last several weeks.
3. The third is not knowing to what extent schools starting on September 2nd will have an affect on the spread of the virus in Edmonton

**Thank you to everyone who has been doing their part during the Covid-19**