

Welcome to WEFC

Pastor's PEN

Pastor Ron Koleba

WELCOME TO THE CELEBRATION ... OR MAYBE BETTER ... THE REMEMBRANCE ... OF THAT WHICH BRINGS US TOGETHER—JESUS CHRIST. HE INVITES US TO HIS TABLE TO RECALL HIS DEATH FOR US. WE CELEBRATE BECAUSE HE DIED ... A BIT OF A STRANGE CONCEPT, YET A BELIEVER'S REALITY.

THE LIFE OF A BELIEVER IS WORTH LIVING, NOT BECAUSE EVERYTHING GOES WELL FOR US, BECAUSE IT OFTEN DOES NOT. THERE IS SOMETHING BETTER IN LIVING TODAY THAN HAVING EVERYTHING WORK OUT AS WE PLANNED. YES, THERE IS!

LET'S CATCH WHAT JESUS DID. THIS IS BIGGER THAN JUST YOU AND ME, MUCH BIGGER. THIS IS MORE THAN ABOUT OUR PERSONAL HAPPINESS RIGHT NOW, MUCH MORE.

"PERHAPS THE ABSENCE OF THE ALTAR OR TABLE AT THE FRONT OF THE CHURCH IS REVEALING, ESPECIALLY SINCE IT HAS GIVEN WAY TO A COFFEE BAR AT THE BACK.

COFFEE BARS HAVE THEIR PLACE—BUT THEY ARE A PROBLEM AT THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY, ESPECIALLY WHEN THERE IS THE LORD'S TABLE IN FRONT. THAT'S BECAUSE THE COFFEE BAR AND THE LORD'S TABLE ARE SYMBOLIC: BOTH ARE SYMBOLS THAT COMMUNICATE POWERFULLY THEIR USE OF "SACRED" SPACE. THE COFFEE BAR CONNOTES PLEASURE AND LEISURE (GOOD THINGS IN THEIR OWN RIGHT), WHERE THE LORD'S TABLE ALWAYS CONNOTES A JOY THROUGH SUFFERING: THE BLOODY GRAPES OF WRATH HAVE BECOME THE RIVER OF LIFE. LIKE COFFEE BARS WITH THEIR SWEETLY FLAVORED LATTES, MANY CHURCHES (SUBLIMINALLY) SUGGEST THAT THE CHURCH WILL PROVIDE THOSE WHO ATTEND WITH THE VERY THINGS THE WORLD DOES—EVERYTHING INVOLVED IN SELF-FULFILLMENT. CHRIST ON THE OTHER HAND, DRINKS FROM A VERY DIFFERENT ONE, ONE THAT WAS BITTERSWEET, IN ORDER TO BRING MEANING, PURPOSE, AND LIFE.

PAUL METZGER

PREPARE FOR THE LORD'S TABLE ... HE'S INVITING US INTO THE RICHNESS OF HIS LIFE IN US.

Are you new to WEFC?

Welcome. We invite you to drop by our Welcome Centre in the Atrium following the Service. We will be happy to answer any questions you may have and provide you with a Welcome Packet in which you will find useful information about our church and its programs.

Thank you for coming and we look forward to seeing you again.

Are you in need of Childcare?

"We will not hide these truths from our children but will tell the next generation about the glorious deeds of the Lord." Psalm 78:4

Nursery:

Care provided throughout the service.

Toddlers (Rm.118):

Care provided midway through the service.

Kidz Church

(Age 3—Gr. 3): will be dismissed midway through the service.

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS ...

Sunday AM Fall Series



Head's Up ...
... applying Christ's directorship over His Church.



Choir Practice
Wed, Sept 9th



community Barbeque
4:00 pm
September 20th

This is a great opportunity to invite your friends and neighbors.



FAMILY NEWS ...

Prayer:

Anne Braun will be having eye surgery on Monday, Aug. 31st.

For Susan Warne and boys in Winnipeg as Brent begins week 3 of a 6 month service term overseas. Also pray for Brent as he adjusts.

Peter Heide's knee replacement surgery went well. Continue to pray as he recovers.

Continue to pray for Doug & Gloria Kliewer as they both are struggling with chemotherapy treatments.



PRAYER CHAIN

Need Urgent Prayer?

Call church office:

253-8484

Email:

needurgentprayer

@wefc.net

Missions Night:

Join us **Sun., Aug. 30th, 6:30pm** (Chapel) as Jeremy & Cassia Ruban and Gord & Carole Sawatzky share about their ministry from their time in Sudan.

eFree Kidz College:

Begins on September 15th. If you would like to find out more about this Nursery School Program contact Sheri Braun (256-2137).

COFFEE Connection:

We are in need of one person who could help on Sept. 15th, 22nd, and 29th in the area of Child Care in the Toddler Room. We meet on Tuesday's from 9–11:30 am. If you can help contact Karoline Lohse (256-1805).

We are also in need of one person who could provide care for infants for the entire session (Tuesday mornings, Sept. 15th–Dec. 1st) in the Infant Nursery.

PROGRAMS RETURNING IN THE FALL ...

Choir - Wednesday, Sept. 9th
Rhythm (Young Adults) - Thursday, Sept. 10th
Equipping U (Adult Sunday School) - Sunday, Sept. 13th
Coffee Conn. & Men's Fellowship - Tuesday, Sept. 15th
Kids Under Construction - Wednesday, Sept. 16th (Registration)
STIR (Sr. & Jr. High) - Friday, Sept. 18th
Small Groups—the week of Sept. 20th
Alpha—Tuesday, Sept. 22nd
Girlfriends Bible Study—Tuesday, Sept. 22nd



Two Services Resume on September 13th,
at 9:00 and 10:30 AM

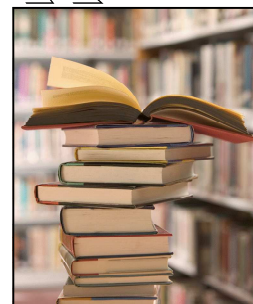
OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE ...

Are you looking for a place where you can serve? There are many different ministry opportunities at WEFC. The easiest and quickest way to find out what is available, and to get involved, is to express your interest in serving. Please consider how you might be able to participate in some way this fall. We look forward to serving with you. Contact one of the Pastor's directly, or call the church office for more information.



TAKE TIME TO VISIT OUR LIBRARY ...

Are you in need of some summer reading? Through Christian resources, we desire to reach, teach and equip people of all ages to know, love and serve Jesus Christ. The Library is an excellent way to develop and strengthen your Christian faith.



Colossians 2:6 - 7

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught and overflowing with thankfulness.

Need more info on ministries of WEFC? Log on to www.wefc.net or

June 28th



July 5th

A Glorious Perspective
Psalm 115
Pastor Mike Kiewitt

July 12th

Heaven Isn't Listening
Psalm 88
Pastor Ron Koleba

July 19th



July 26th

One Request of God
Psalm 27
Pastor Ron Koleba

August 2nd

Handling Bad Apples
Psalm 94
Pastor Ron Koleba

August 9th

The Purpose of Praising God"
Psalm 111
Pastor Mike Kiewitt

August 16th

Where Is God?
Psalm 42
Pastor Trevor Berg

August 23rd

The Undiminished Glory Of God
Psalm 29
Pastor Mike Kiewitt

August 30th



Sept 6th

The Word That Matters
Psalm 119
Pastor Ron Koleba

UPCOMING CLASSES . . .

August 30, 2009

Everyone knows that in the area of exercise, hard work and consistency, equal physical fitness.

What is true physically is all the more true **SPIRITUALLY.**

Spiritual Growth **doesn't** just happen.

Join any of our **Adult Education** options that are available this fall— **Equipping U** or **Small Groups** and prepare to be **STRENGTHENED SPIRITUALLY.**

Equipping U Classes are:

9:00 am

*The Psalms

*What's So Amazing About Grace?

10:30 am

*The Fulfilled Christian Life

Small Group Bible Study

"Head's Up . . . Applying Christ's Directorship Over His Church"

CHILD CARE:

Nursery: Kim Bishop Kimberley Wiebe Victoria Hryshko

Toddler: Steve & Melanie Potter Kara Allison
Meguire Buhler Suzanne Gilbert

Kidz Church:

Ages 3-K Trevor & Nicki Berg

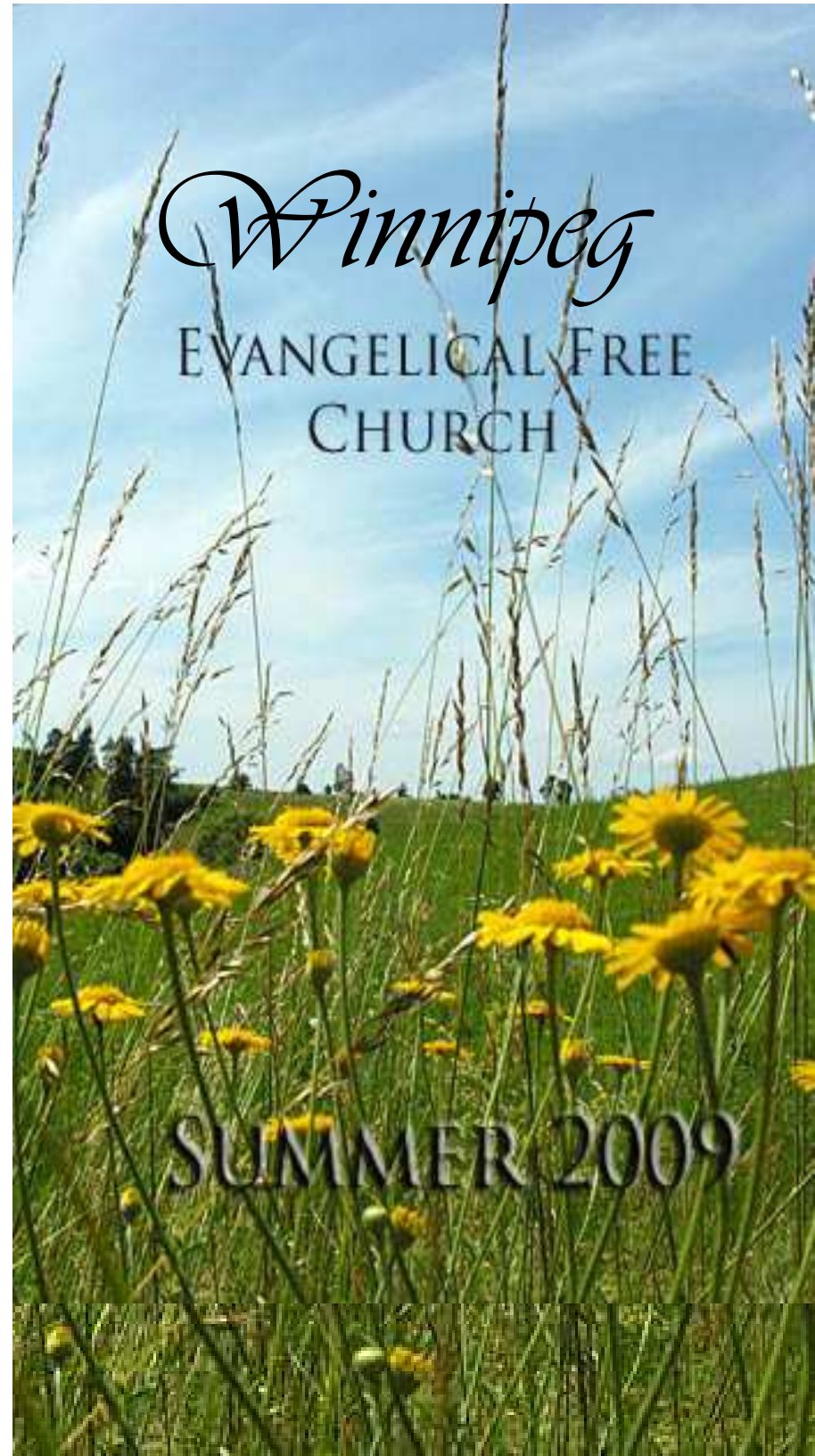
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