

Leader: Mennonite Church Manitoba seeks to be a flourishing community of worshiping, learning, and serving congregations grounded in the faithful love of our Creator, where people can find belonging in the Spirit and follow the Way of Jesus together, doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with God.

O God, may we become...

**All: A church to belong and be loved,
embraced in the Spirit.**

Leader: May we know the breadth and length and height and depth
of your love to us in Christ Jesus.¹
May we be convinced that nothing—nothing at all—can separate us
from your love in Christ Jesus,² for you are love.³
And may we welcome one another just as
Christ Jesus has welcomed us, for your glory.⁴

O God, may we become...

**All: A church to meet Jesus,
following his Way.**

Leader: May we hear the call of Jesus to us,
to come and follow him.⁵
May we lay our heavy burdens at his feet, take up his yoke, and learn from him,
and so find rest for our souls.⁶
And may we abide in him, the true vine,
and so bear the fruit of love.⁷

O God, may we become...

**All: A church to do justice, love mercy,
and walk humbly with God.⁸**

Leader: May we seek first your reign above all others,
and your justice and peace for all.⁹
May we be merciful to the powerless, just as you are merciful to us,¹⁰
and so be blessed by you.¹¹
And may we live in humility day by day in communion with you,
walking in the way of the humble Christ.¹²

**All: To you who by your power at work within us is able to accomplish
abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine,
to you be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations,
forever and ever. Amen.¹³**

¹ Ephesians 3:16-19.

² Romans 8:38-39.

³ 1 John 4:8, 16.

⁴ Romans 15:7.

⁵ Luke 9:23-25.

⁶ Matthew 11:28-30.

⁷ John 15:1-17.

⁸ Micah 6:8.

⁹ Matthew 6:33.

¹⁰ Luke 6:36.

¹¹ Matthew 5:7.

¹² Philippians 2:1-8.

¹³ Ephesians 3:20-21.