

**Welcome to
Gem MB Church
Transforming Lives with the Good News of Jesus Christ
December 8, 2024
10:00 am – Sunday School
11:00 am – Worship Service**

Welcome and Announcements	Barry Doerksen
Children's Feature	Karla Doerksen
Sharing	Darcy & Marilyn Walde
Special Music	Men's Group
Advent	Dwayne & Teresa Klassen
Congregational Singing	Andrew Walde
Scripture Reading – Mark 2:18-22	
Message	Brent Siemens
Closing Song	Andrew Walde
Benediction	Brent Siemens

Offerings for each Sunday are for the Church Budget.
E-transfer email: gemchurch19@gmail.com
Offerings can be put in the box on the back table.

Next Sunday – Children's feature – Richard Hiebert

Reminders and Updates

Wednesdays – 10:00 am – Coffee time at Doerksen Farm office.

Ladies Community Bible Study- will resume January 7, 2025.

December 8, 15, 22 @ 9:30-10:45am – Sunday School Christmas play practice.

December 8 @ 5:30pm– Supper, communion & welcome into membership

December 9 @ 7:00pm – Annual Business Meeting

December 15 @ 7:00pm – Gem Community Christmas Service

Choir practice at the Bassano Knox Presbyterian Church for the Community Christmas Program will be from 7:00-8:30pm on December 10

If you would like a mailbox, please talk to Brent Siemens.

Our website is up and running! Thank you to Barry Doerksen.
<https://gemmbchurch.ca/>

Message: Brent Siemens

I Hear Wedding Bells! – Mark 2:18-22

1. First story: A wedding

- Often weddings lasted _____ days.
- Weddings would be a time of great _____ and rejoicing.
- ‘The children of the bridal chamber’ refers to the _____ of the bridegroom.
- “All in attendance on the bridegroom are relieved of all religious observances which would lessen their joy.”
- In the Old Testament, God is sometimes likened to a _____ (Is. 62:5; Hos. 2:16, 19-20).

2. Second story: A patch

- Jesus is laying out the fundamental changes His _____ brings.
- The old belongs with the _____.
- You can’t mix the _____ and the old.

3. Third story: New wine

- Wineskins were made of _____, usually from the skin of a sheep of a goat.
- As the wine would begin to ferment it would create _____ and expand against the wineskins, causing the wineskins to bulge.
- If wineskins were old and had lost their elasticity, becoming hard and brittle, then what would happen as the new wine was fermenting and creating gases is the old wineskins would _____, being unable to be molded to the dynamic of the new wine.

How to apply this passage:

1. We learn we are invited to a _____ ceremony.
2. We learn there is a time for _____ and for _____.
3. We learn the coming of the bridegroom inaugurates a new _____ that is incompatible with the old.
4. We learn this new work of Jesus requires a certain _____ in our lives.

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"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise"

Isaiah 43:19-21