



"Loving God...Loving Our Neighbor"
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9:45 SUNDAY SCHOOL

11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude – Special Music	Lifted Voices
<i>"Fairest Lord Jesus"</i>	<i>arranged by Robert Lau</i>
<i>"All the Way My Saviour Leads Me"</i>	<i>Lowry/Fettke</i>
Welcome and Announcements	Rob Martin
Call to Worship	
L: <i>We have come to worship.</i>	
All: <i>We come as male and female, rich and poor.</i>	
L: <i>We come to worship.</i>	
All: <i>We come as young and old, sinners and saints.</i>	
L: <i>We come to worship.</i>	
All: <i>We come as the diverse people of God. AMEN</i>	
Congregational Singing	Merri-Lee Metzger
<i>"You've Got a Place"</i>	STJ #4
Moment in Mission – Tea Ball Project	
Scripture – Acts 11:1-17	
Special Music	Lifted Voices
<i>"Your Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet"</i>	<i>Grant/Smith/Baker</i>
Children's Story	Fred Redekop
<i>"Blessed be the Name"</i>	STS #75
Dismissal for Children's Sunday School	
Giving of Tithes and Offerings	
<i>"Hear Me, Redeemer" by Henry Mollicone</i>	Lifted Voices
Congregational Singing	
<i>"New Earth, Heavens New"</i>	WB #299
Scripture – Revelation 21:1-6	Pauline Martin
Sermon <i>"Fallen and Redeemed"</i>	Fred Redekop
Hymn of Response <i>"My Life Flows on in Endless Song"</i>	WB #580
Time of Sharing, Testimony and Silence	
Pastoral Prayer	
Sending Hymn: <i>"We are People of God's Peace"</i>	WB #407
Benediction	
Choral Benediction - <i>music by Don Besig</i>	Lifted Voices
Postlude	

Our morning worship services are being videotaped and put on our website.

A warm welcome to our visitors this morning.
 We hope our time of worship together has been an encouragement to you.
 You are invited to drop by our Welcome Table and learn more about our church
 and our ministries. God bless you and we hope to see you again!

Our musical guests today are **Lifted Voices**. This musical group from *First Mennonite Church, Kitchener* has been singing together for 27 years. They enjoy sharing their music during worship and for other special occasions. We welcome Jennifer Jacobi, Carolyn Burkhardt, Peggy Roth, Wendy Priebe and Nancy Mann (our Associate Pastor). Pianist: Susan Pries.

Church Greeters Today:	Jerry Hesselink & Mahlon Martin
Next Week:	Lloyd Diehl & Tracy Martin
Host/Hostess Today:	Murray & Char Weber
Next Week:	Ross & Vernelda Weber
Nursery Helpers Today:	Mike Towns
Next Week:	Christine Kehl

Congregational Prayer List

Pray for **Brenda and Lloyd Martin**. Brenda is a patient at Guelph General Hospital. Pray for **MCC** as it responds to earthquakes in Ecuador and Japan. Pray for **Church Council and Elders** as it plans for the future here at Floradale.

THIS WEEK AT FMC

Monday – YAF volunteers to MCC Meat Canner
Wednesday, 7:00 pm – Elders Meeting
Thursday, 7:00 pm – Hopping Thursday final day this season
Friday & Saturday – MCEC Annual Gathering in Leamington (a number of representatives of FMC will be there).
Sunday – Fred Redekop will be preaching

MYF CORNER

CHANGE OF DATE!!

May 1, 1:00 – Hike at Halton Falls. Leaving from the church at 1 and returning by 6.

YAF CIRCLE

TODAY: Supper-at-six for young adults will start around 6 pm at the home of Robert and Nancy Mann. We will watch The Elmira Case and then play some board games. As always, bring some great food for us to share.

Thanks to the team volunteering at the **MCC Meat Canner** tomorrow night (you know who you are).

Hiking anyone? Some of us will join the MYF on their hike to Hilton Falls on May 1. Let's plan for a beautiful day!

LOOKING AHEAD at FMC

May 3, 9:00 – Ladies Quilting in the multi-purpose room
May 3, 11:30 – Shirley Redekop's Ladies Cooking Group will be providing a lunch for \$5.

May 3, 7:00 – Worship Committee Meeting

May 4, 6:30-9:00 – Women's Fellowship will meet at Elmira MCC Thrift store to sort clothing.

May 10, 8:30 – Ladies Breakfast at Crossroads

May 15 – Youth Sunday

May 19, 9:30 – Let's Connect

May 26-28 – New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale, Tea ball project.

May 29 – Outdoor Service

ADDITIONAL FMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School Class on Same-Sex Relationships – Fred will lead two classes on May 15 & May 22 around this topic. The first will be a bible study and the second will be on experiences.

Bible Reading Goals - By April 24, you need to read up to 2 Samuel 12 & Luke 19. By May 1, you need to read up to 1Kings2 and Luke 22, to keep on pace for reading the entire Bible in 2016.

We value your thoughts: Are our times of Sunday worship meaningful and inspirational for you? Do they help you engage with the Biblical story in a way which nurtures your spiritual growth? Our Worship Committee at Floradale overseas the preparation of our weekly Sunday worship services. Jeff Bauman, Ryan Bauman, Rob Martin, Jeanette Towns, Nancy Mann and Angela Ishaka are currently serving on this committee. Please feel free to share your affirmations, questions or concerns about our weekly worship with any member.

Vacation Bible School 2016: Surprise! Discovering Stories of Jesus – Our joint Elmira/Floradale VBS this summer will be held at Elmira Mennonite Church the week of July 4 – 8 each day from 9am – 11:30 am. We are accepting children entering Jr. Kindergarten (born in 2012) up to Grade 8. We have great volunteer opportunities for high school students and adults. Come and enrich the lives of children in our church and our community. Registration forms are in your mailboxes and they can be obtained from the church office. Please support the VBS Planning Committee in prayer as we make preparations for this week. ~ Nancy Mann, Noah Ishaka, Sarah Freeman, Rose Koch and Alison Notzold.

More announcements on the insert.

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ADDITIONAL FMC ANNOUNCEMENTS – Continued

Phone number change: Dan & Karen Bender no longer have a land line. You can contact them through Karen's cell 519-616-5981.

Are you someone who enjoys camping? Connecting with Floradale youth on a deeper level? Worshipping and hearing speakers with a thousand others? Sports tournaments, karaoke and talent shows? Then being a youth sponsor for the long weekend in May (20-23) for Pitch'n Praise might be just the thing for you!! If this interests you and you are a male/couple please contact Katie at katie@floramc.org.

LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY

Apr. 25, 6:30 – Tickets for the **New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale Promotion Dinner** to be held at Bingemans on **Monday, April 25** are now available! Guest speaker: Kaylee Perez, Refugee Sponsorship Associate with MCC. Evening will also feature an auction of the first framed print of "Going Once...Giving Twice...", an original painting by Peter Etril Snyder. Ticket price \$10, available from Clarence Diefenbacher before April 22. 10 volunteers are needed to help clear tables at Promotion Dinner, if you can help contact Clarence.

Apr 26, 7:00 – Join us at the Gospel Lighthouse for our famous **Librarians' Night, Adventure Through Time!** 20% discount. RSVP to 519-885-4500 or waterloo@gospellighthouse.ca

Apr. 30 7:30 A Cappella masterworks, featuring the 140 combined voices of Menno Singers and Pax Christi Chorale with artistic directors, Peter Nikiforuk and Stephanie Martin. Variety of music. Tickets are \$25, students \$5, available at Music Plus, www.mennosingers.com or at the door. Held at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Kitchener.

May 1, 3:00 – **Schneider Male Chorus** with special guests Kokoro present "Then Sings My Soul". Tickets are available from Lester Kehl.

May 4, 4:45-7:00 Gale Presbyterian is hosting a **'fish fry'** with some of the proceeds going to Woolwich Counselling. Tickets are \$17/adult and \$8/child. For tickets wendy.lair@galepresbyterian.com or 519-669-2852. You have option of take-out or eating there. Meals include 8oz haddock, vegetables, baked potato, roll, dessert & a beverage.

May 7, 8:30 am – Shalom Counselling Services **Fundraising Breakfast**. Guest speaker is Melody Leclair, Shalom Counsellor speaking about "Struggle & Hope: One Family's Journey with Mental Illness" at Steinmann Mennonite Church – Baden. Ticket \$30 (\$15 receipted). 519-886-9690 or admin@shallomcounselling.org by *May 2 to order your ticket*.

May 7, 9:00-4:00 Grace Lao Mennonite Church **Egg Roll Sale** at 575 Lancaster St. west Kitchener. Signup sheet is on the bulletin board near the kitchen. *Deadline is May 3*. Price \$5 for 6 eggrolls \$10 for 12 eggrolls

May 7, 1:00-3:00 Annual Mother's Day Tea at St. Teresa of Avila Church Hall in Elmira. There are door prizes, bake & penny tables, gift basket draws and lunch area.

May 7, 2:00 Trek 4 Kids Hike & Bike. Help House of Friendship send kids to camp. Run, walk or bike the Iron Horse Trail. www.houseoffriendship.org or 519-742-8327x119 to register. Dave Metzger and Lester Kehl are walking and you can sponsor them.

May 8, 8:30-1:00 Mother's Day Breakfast hosted by St. Clement's church (1 Green St.). Tickets are \$10/adult, \$5/children 4-8, 3 + under are free. For tickets, call Marilyn at 519-206-0151

May 10 1:00-3:30 Ecumenical Prayer Shawl Ministry Gathering - (doors open at noon) for all who are involved in prayer shawl ministry or would like to learn about it. Hosted by the St. Michael's Prayer Shawl Ministry, at St. Michael's Church, corner of 240 Hemlock Street and University Avenue, Waterloo. Bring your shawls to display. There will be a free-will offering. Prayer Shawl knitting and crochet books will be available for sale. Please register by Friday, May 6 by contacting Linda at 519-888-6954 or prayershawlathering@gmail.com

May 11, 7:00 – **Meet the Author** Oriole A. Vane Veldhuis, author of "For Elise: Unveiling the Forgotten Woman on the Criddle Homestead" Held at Elmira Mennonite Church. For more information call 519-669-5123 or <https://vanecriddle.wordpress.com>

May 13-15 – **MCEC Jr. Youth Retreat** at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp. Registration \$95, Registration + bus \$105. Visit <https://mcec.ca> to register

May 18, noon – Rockway Mennonite Collegiate invites you to participate in their **21st Annual Prestigious Golf Tournament**. Proceeds towards annual fund including tuition assistance. Willow Valley Golf Course. Register at www.rockway.ca

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale:

May 15: Martin Family Singers: concert at Steinmann's Mennonite Church is a fundraiser for NHMRS. Tickets available by calling 519-745-8458. See our website for more details (nhmrs.com/news) or contact info@nhmrs.com.

May 27 & 28 - our 50th Sale

Plant donations of any types of plants would be appreciated. Contact John Reimer h) 519-662-4315, C) 519-573-1710 if you have some.

CAMP INFORMATION

Paddle the Grand for Silver Lake Mennonite Camp, Saturday May 7, 2016. Silver Lake's only annual fundraiser is a fun, intergenerational, family-friendly event. It's a new 1.5 hour route starting north of West Montrose (near Inverhaugh) and ending at the Covered Bridge in West Montrose with a BBQ to follow at Brad Carr and Susan Wagler's farm in West Montrose. Please consider joining us on the river! Silver Lake can supply all necessary equipment including canoe, paddles and lifejackets. To register or donate, please visit www.slmc.ca or call 519-422-1401

Summer Job Opportunities at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp - to fill out an application, go to our website at www.hiddenacres.ca or contact Chris Pot at 519-625-8602 or chrispot@hiddenacres.ca.

Nairn Mennonite Church has two current openings for leadership in a day camp program. For further information you can visit our home page at www.nairnmc.ca or to submit a resume to nmc@isp.ca

Silver Lake Mennonite Camp seeks a passionate, inspirational and committed **Executive Director** to live and lead the camp's important mission, beginning September 2016. If you would like to explore the

opportunity to provide leadership and management expertise while fostering personal and spiritual growth in a fun, dynamic Christian camping community, please send your *resume and cover letter* by *May 13* to: Ron Rempel, ronwempel@gmail.com. For more information, go to www.slmc.ca

MCCO INFORMATION

Early bird registration deadline soon for Assembly 2016 in Saskatoon. Register at <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/saskatoon2016>

Short term ministry worker needed with conversational French to home-school the 2 young children of Lillian and Norm Nicolson in West Africa beginning in September. Email Tany at twarkentin@mennonitechurch.ca

MDS – Mennonite Disaster Service

Urgent need: The MDS project in Detroit, Michigan, has openings for week-long volunteer groups or individuals for the following dates:

May 16-20 (10 people needed)

Volunteers should plan to arrive on Sunday by 6:00 PM for orientation and work through Friday. For more information or to sign up call (800) 241-8111 or contact ahurst@mds.mennonite.net for more information or to sign up.

REMINDER! MDS ON Dessert Night – Elmira Mennonite Church, Sat Apr 30 at 7:00 pm. This event is open to all in support of MDS and to recognize the many MDS volunteers from Ontario. Come and enjoy an evening of fellowship and dessert. (58 Church St W, Elmira ON)

CONRAD GREBEL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE – Global Mennonite

Peacebuilding Conference & Festival. June 9-12. Join academics, peace practitioners, church workers and artists from around the globe to reflect o Anabaptist-Mennonite peacebuilding.

CMU – Canadian Mennonite University Learn how Indigenous peoples have shaped Canada politically, socially, culturally, and economically. Enrol in 'Reconciling our Future: Stories of Kanata and Canada' at the Canadian School of Peacebuilding, June 20-24, 2016. This course is being taught by James Sinclair, with guest presenter John Ralston Saul. For more information, go to csop.cmu.ca or email csop@cmu.ca.