



Loving God...Loving Our Neighbor”  
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Join us next Sunday, September 11 at 9:30 am for a Welcome Back potluck breakfast, followed by worship at 11:00 am. Sunday School will resume on September 18 at 9:45

**10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE**

Prelude	Nichelle Bauman
Welcome and Announcements	Nancy Mann
Call to Worship	
<i>L: As we gather for worship on this Sunday morning, we remember:</i>	
<b>All: God's faithful love endures forever.</b>	
<i>L: As we go forward into a new chapter in the life of our congregation, we remember:</i>	
<b>All: God's faithful love endures forever.</b>	
<i>L: On this Labour Day Sunday, as we give thanks for the various types of labour that people offer in our community, we remember:</i>	
<b>All: God's faithful love endures forever.</b>	
<i>L: As we prepare for another school year for our children, our youth, our college and university students, our teachers and professors, we remember:</i>	
<b>All: God's faithful love endures forever.</b>	
Opening Prayer	Nancy Mann
Congregational Singing	Nichelle Bauman
<i>"He has made me glad"</i>	
<i>"All people that on earth do dwell"</i>	
Scripture – Psalm 118:19-29	
Children's Story	Nancy Mann
Giving of Tithes and Offerings	
Offertory	
<i>"Oceans"</i>	
Congregational Singing	
<i>"Christ is our cornerstone"</i>	
<i>"Cornerstone"</i>	
Scripture – Acts 1:1-11	Nichelle Bauman
Sermon "Walking through a new door"	Barb Draper
Time of Sharing, Testimony and Silence	Dale Martin
Pastoral Prayer	Dale Martin
Sending Hymn:	
<i>"Forever"</i>	
Benediction	
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!

This morning we welcome our Interim Lead Pastor, Gary Knarr. Gary has been recommended to us by MCEC for this position. Gary has a Ph.D in history from Queen's University and a M. Div. from AMBS. He has been a pastor in several churches over the years and has recently completed a two year interim position at Erb Street Mennonite Church. Gary and his wife Christine live in Kitchener.

Church Greeters Today: Abner & Eleanor Metzger  
 Next Week: Randy & Bonnie Martin  
 Host/Hostess Today: No one scheduled for summer  
 Nursery Helpers Today: No one scheduled for summer

**Congregational Prayer List**

We are pleased to announce the marriage banns for **Jeremy Bowman and Christina Martin**. They will be married here on September 10. Pray for **Gary and Christine Knarr** as they become a part of our church family. Pray for **the work that we do** in our daily labours – that it may be honourable and give glory to God. Pray for **all who return to school** this week; may both students and teachers find joy in new learning. Pray for **our Children's ministries** as we prepare for our new Jr. Church program which will begin next Sunday. Pray for **Woodside Bible Fellowship** this month as part of our Ministerial Prayer List.

Thank you to everyone for last weekend. We enjoyed the humour of Saturday night, and the telling of stories from our time together. Thank you for the time of worship together on Sunday morning. Thank you for the "faspa" meal. Thank you for the gifts, the meditation bench, the memory books, the prayer shawls and the window quilt. They spoke to us about our deep life together for the past 25 years. Blessings to you, as you go forward as a community of believers, and pray for us as we live into our future. Thanks for everything. The Redekops

**THIS WEEK AT FMC**

September 11, 11:00 – Gary Knarr preaching

**MYF CORNER**

September 16-18 – Retreat in Warton Join us for a weekend of fun and fellowship! More details to follow soon.

## **YAF CIRCLE**

**Supper-at-Six** will start up again on Sunday, September 18 at 6 pm here at the church. After supper, Robert Mann, Professor of Physics at the University of Waterloo, will share with us on the topic "Christianity and Science: Companions or Competitors?" Come with your thoughts and questions. All young adults are welcome - married, single - or in-between!

### **Sunday School Ministries: Fall 2016**

September 11 - **Welcome Back Pot-luck breakfast at 9:30 am.** Everyone is invited to join us for a pot-luck breakfast to celebrate the beginning of another church year. Come with food to share and enjoy visiting with old friends and new. Learn more about our Sunday School Classes which will begin formally the following Sunday. Worship will begin at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary.

#### **Sunday School for Children and Youth:**

We will offer graded classes for children and Youth at 9:45 am starting on Sept. 18. Details to be announced.

#### **Adult Classes offered at 9:45 am**

#### **Children's ministry during church:**

On Sunday, Sept. 11 we will be starting a Jr. Church ministry for our children. This inter-age program will take place in the Multi-purpose Room following the Children's Story in worship. Children of all ages are welcome. We ask that parents or guardians accompany very young children as needed.

*More announcements on the insert.*

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## **LOOKING AHEAD at FMC**

**Sept. 6, 9:00** – Women's Quilting

**Sept. 13, 8:30** – Ladies Breakfast at Crossroads

**Sept. 14, 7:00** - Sunday School Teachers' Meeting All Children's Sunday School teachers and Jr. Church leaders are invited to attend an information night on Wed, Sept. 14 at 7:00 pm at the church. We will share about our plans for the fall, including our new Jr. Church program, and discuss how to make Sunday School a joyful and positive experience for both children and teachers. Interested parents are also welcome to attend.

**Sept. 21, 7:00** – Council Meeting

**Sept. 22, 7:00** – Hopping Thursday begins

**Sept. 27, 7:00** – Worship Meeting

**Sept. 29, 9-5:00** – Senior's Fellowship Fall Bus Tour Leave Elmira Mennonite Church. Tour Reapers of Hope Food Drying Program, Moorefield. Buffet lunch at Pebbles Family Restaurant, Varney. Visit Riverstone Retreat Centre, Durham. \$50.00 per person Contact Darrell or Florence Jantzi by September 11 for tickets.

**Sept. 30, 8:00** – Men's breakfast at Crossroads

## **ADDITIONAL FMC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Bible Reading Goals** – By September 4 you should have read up to Proverbs 6 and 1 Corinthians 14 . By September 11, you need to read up to Proverbs 20 and 2 Corinthians 3 in order to keep on pace for reading the entire Bible in 2016.

**Can you support our Children's Ministry?** This fall we will be offering Sunday School Classes for children, youth and adults at 9:45 am. We have some dedicated volunteers serving as Sunday School teachers for the children and youth, but we still need one or two more helpful souls. Contact Jane Hesselink to share your interest in this role. In addition, beginning on Sept. 11, we will be providing Jr. Church for children in our church during the second half of our morning worship. We still need a few "additional helpers" to join us on an occasional basis to help the children engage in this program in a positive manner. No preparation is required - only your attendance on Sunday morning. Do you feel called to support this ministry? If so, please contact Nancy Mann to share your interest. Thank you for giving prayerful consideration to these requests.

**It's a boy!!** Eleanor & Zenas Buehler are happy to announce the birth of their second great-grandson. Born September 2, the son of Tamara & Mitch Burt and brother to Grayson. Name unknown at time of printing.

## **LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY**

**Sept. 7, 7:30** – Jubilation Male Chorus invites new members to join them at their first practice held at W-K United Mennonite.

**Sept. 9, 6:00-7:30** – Community Can Dine hosted at Trinity United Church. Menu is Middle Eastern chicken and rice. Pay what you can.

**Sept. 10, 6:00** - "Single or Single Again (SOSA)" will be having a potluck dinner at St Agatha Mennonite Church. Our guest speaker will be Helen Steinmann who will be giving her testimony. Please bring a first or second course to share. Coffee & tea will be available. Any questions please call 519-662-2971.

**Sept. 17** – Toronto Mennonite Festival on the grounds of Black Creek Pioneer Village. Enjoy music, food, quilt auction while being immersed in the lifestyles, customs and surrounding of a typical 1800 crossroads community village. All in support of Mennonite Central Committee. More info at [mcco.ca/events](http://mcco.ca/events)

**Sept. 17 - 10,000 Steps for Shalom.** Join us in taking steps to improve mental health! This is a fundraising walk/run for mental health. Help Shalom make counselling affordable and accessible for everyone. Sign up at [shalomcounselling.org](http://shalomcounselling.org) or call 519-886-9690

**Sept. 17, 4:30-7:00** – Annual Chicken and Sausage BBQ at St. Jacobs Mennonite Church. Take out available. Tickets: Adults \$18, Children (5-12 yrs) \$10, available from the SJMC church office during regular office hours, by calling 519-664-2268, emailing [church@sjmc.on.ca](mailto:church@sjmc.on.ca) or at the door. Advance tickets encouraged as it has sold out in the last few years.

**Sept. 20, 6:30-7:30** – Foster Parent Information Night at the Meeting Room in Elmira Library. Please register: 519-576-0540 or [foster.adoption@facswaterloo.org](mailto:foster.adoption@facswaterloo.org)

**Sept. 25, 2:30** - Seventh Annual Contemporary Hymnsing Explore the music of Sing the Journey and Sing the Story song books including international and cross cultural music making. There will be a brief reflection on how new church music through the 19th century influenced the church and then also singing some of the songs. Detweiller Meeting House

**Oct.16, 2:30** - Fifth Annual Male Chorus Sing Welcome to all former male quartet or chorus and want-to-be members Sing the old gospel songs and anthems from music will be provided. Detweiller Meeting House

## **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CMU – Canadian Mennonite University**

Invites inquiries and applications for the following **full-time salaried positions:** Vice President Academic & Academic Dean, Faculty Position in Business & Organizational Administration, Director of Information Technology, and Financial Analyst. Nominations, applications, or inquiries may be directed to Dianna Robson, Director of Human Resources at [hrdirector@cmu.ca](mailto:hrdirector@cmu.ca) 204-594-0532.

**CONRAD GREBEL**

This fall term, Conrad Grebel University College is offering **three evening courses** that are available for community members to audit. Contact Birgit Moscinski, Registration Officer at [birgit.moscinski@waterloo.ca](mailto:birgit.moscinski@waterloo.ca) or 519-885-0220 x24265 to register. Audit fee is \$179.

**ARTS 125 - WHO ARE THE MENNONITES?** with TROY OSBORNE – 6:00-8:50 Thursdays

**RS 122 – SACRED BEAUTY: RELIGION AND THE ARTS** with ALICIA BATTEN – 6:30-9:20 Mondays

**RS 130 – BIG IDEAS OF THE BIBLE** with DEREK SUDERMAN – 7:00-9:50 Wednesdays

#### **HIDDEN ACRES**

**Building Community Retreat:** September 9-11. This is a weekend retreat for individuals with disabilities, their families, friends and supporters. For more info call 519-625-8602 or [info@hiddenacres.ca](mailto:info@hiddenacres.ca)

**Thank you** for your support of the ministry at Hidden Acres. Your generous donation is greatly appreciated.

#### **MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

Make a difference in the lives of individuals and families transitioning from homelessness back into the KW community as a **Circle of Friends Program Associate** or join the enthusiastic and energetic team at **Elmira Thrift & Gift Shop as a Relief Manager**. Go to [mcco.ca/serve](http://mcco.ca/serve) to apply today.

**MCC Ontario Annual General Meeting** Mon, Sept 19, 8 pm, MCCO office, 50 Kent Avenue, Kitchener. Our Annual General Meeting is an opportunity for MCC to be accountable, transparent and responsive to you. The AGM will also be available to view online, but voting privileges do not extend to delegates viewing online. Register today at [mcco.ca/agm](http://mcco.ca/agm)

**MCC's Blanket-Making Program** at Grand Valley Institution for Women needs women volunteers! This is a great opportunity to help women who are incarcerated develop work skills. Sewing skills are helpful, but not a necessity. For more info visit [mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/volunteer/blanket-making-grand-valley-institution-women](http://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/volunteer/blanket-making-grand-valley-institution-women) or contact Kay Ojameruaye at 519-745-8458 ext. 214 or [kayojameruaye@mcco.ca](mailto:kayojameruaye@mcco.ca)

**Urgent Need: 2000 relief kits and 8000 hygiene kits.** Multiple crises around the world including Syria, Iraq and Ukraine have depleted our warehouse inventory. Please help replenish our supply. For information on how to make a kit go to [mcco.ca/kits](http://mcco.ca/kits).

#### **MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA**

Mennonite Church Canada is looking for a talented, experienced change **management/organization development specialist** to work alongside the dedicated team of lead personnel from area and national levels of the church body in transforming the directions recommended in the FDTF Final Report and Addendum into an implementation plan. See the Mennonite Church Canada Website to learn more about this position or to apply: <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/node/1461>

#### **MENNO YOUTH SINGERS**

**"Are you between the ages of grade 9 and 20-something?** Do you enjoy music? How about snacks? Check out the Menno Youth Singers choir: [mennosingers.com/mys](http://mennosingers.com/mys) 'Nuff said."

**"Parents of teens and young adults:** Menno Youth Singers is a great choir experience for your offspring. Rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings from 6:45 - 8:45 p.m. at Stirling Avenue Mennonite Church, Kitchener. Conductor Steve Surian is a trained music educator who is also a public high school music teacher. See [mennosingers.com/mys](http://mennosingers.com/mys) for registration and other info."