



Loving God...Loving Our Neighbor”
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Fourth Sunday in Lent
Creation Care Sunday

9:45 SUNDAY SCHOOL – ALL AGES (More info below)

11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

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| Prelude | Casey Horn |
| Opening Worship “In the Garden” - C. Austin Miles | David Lamble |
| Welcome and Announcements | Kate Bauman |
| Call to Worship | (Unison) STJ #141 |
| Opening Prayer “Instrument of Peace” | David Lamble |
| Amy Sky, Marc Jordan, Stephan Moccio | |
| Congregational Singing | Merri-Lee Metzger |
| <i>“When long before time”</i> | STJ #25 |
| <i>“This is my Father’s world”</i> | WB #154 |
| Scripture Reading – Psalm 8 | |
| Children’s Time | Merri-Lee Metzger |
| Dismissal for Junior Church | |
| Giving of Tithes and Offerings Prayer for the Offering | STS #184 |
| Offertory Song “He Restoreth My Soul” | David Lamble |
| Margot Zilch, Arr. By John Innes | |
| “How Great Thou Art” Visuals by Alan Martin | |
| Responsive Scripture Reading – WB#806 from Genesis 1 | Christina Bowman |
| Sermon “God’s Caretakers” | Gary Knarr |
| Song of Response | |
| <i>“You Raise me Up” Rolf Lovland and Brenda Graham</i> | David Lamble |
| Time of Sharing, Testimony and Silence | |
| Pastoral Prayer | |
| Sending Song: | |
| <i>“For the beauty of the earth”</i> | WB # 89 |
| Benediction “Irish Blessing” (Old Irish Prayer) | David Lamble |
| N.P. Stookey and George Emlen | |
| Closing Prayer | |
| Postlude | |
| Slide Presentation of our Congregation’s Activities | |

We welcome David Lamble to our service, and thank David for sharing his gift of music in worship.

An unstaffed nursery is available during the worship service.

Children of all ages are invited to Jr. Church following the children's story. We ask that parents or guardians accompany very young children as needed.

Our morning worship services are being videotaped and put on our website. If for any reason you would not like a portion of the service to be included please contact the AV person.

*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!*

Church Greeters Today: Rick & Donna Freeman
 Next Week: MYF
 Host/Hostess Today: no one scheduled-Fundraiser Lunch
 Host/Hostess Next Week: Roy & Barb Draper

Congregational Prayer List

Our prayers and sympathy are with **Lloyd and Brenda Martin** in the death of Lloyd's brother Willard.
Clarence Diefenbacher was admitted to Grand River Hospital on Monday with a bleeding ulcer. The Hospital staff are doing further tests. The family appreciates your kind thoughts and prayers. Please contact family to see if Clarence is feeling up to a visit.
 We look forward to 3 people joining our congregation. **Jack Goodwin** will be received into membership during worship on April 2, and **Derek Martin and Vicky Roeder-Martin** will reactivate their membership at Floradale on April 16. Let us keep these friends in prayer.

THIS WEEK AT FMC

Today, 12:15 – Refugee Support Fundraiser Lunch
Today, 7:00 – Reference Group Meeting
Tuesday, 7:00 – Choir Practice
Tuesday, 7:00 – MYF Life on Life
Thursday, 9:30 – Let's Connect
Thursday, 7:00 – Hopping Thursday
Sunday, 2 7:00 – Worship Cafe
Sunday, 2 – Nancy Mann Preaching

MYF CORNER

TODAY: 7:00 Panel night on relationships and gym night with other youth groups at Floradale
TOOLS trip (August 17-20th) Let Katie know by **April 1st** if you plan to go. Thanks to everyone who helped out at our fundraisers... WE MET OUR GOAL!! So the cost will be minimal.

YAF CIRCLE

April 2 - You won't want to miss the Worship Cafe - right here at the church at 7pm. Come join us for informal worship followed by yummy goodies.
April 9 - Our next young adult Supper-at-Six will take place at the home of Ross and Veg Weber at 6 pm. on April 9. Just bring yourself (no food) and come prepared to be SURPRISED! Please RSVP to Nancy Mann.

June 3 - Young Adult trip to Toronto to see the Toronto Blue Jays play the New York Yankees. Details are in your weekly email or talk to Nancy Mann for further info. **We must confirm our numbers by March 31.** Let Nancy know if you are coming.

LOOKING AHEAD at FMC

Apr. 4, 9:00 - Ladies sewing group meeting at the church.

Apr. 7, 8:00 – Men's Breakfast at Crossroads. Willard Metzger of Mennonite Church Canada guest speaker.

Apr. 11, 8:30 - Ladies Breakfast at Bonnie Lou's restaurant.

ADDITIONAL FMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Evening Lenten Services: 7:00

March 29, Trinity United, Gary Knarr speaking

April 5, Gale Presbyterian, Hans Borch speaking

Flower arrangement today is in memory of Earl Wideman

| Sunday School Classes available at 9:45 | | Upcoming Elective Classes |
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| Children's classes | basement | Apr 2–Befriending Death-Gary Knarr |
| Jr. Youth & Youth | Youth room | Apr 9-Loss and Grief-Mary Martin |
| Drawing Class | Room 12 | Apr 23–Abundance Canada: Sherri Grosz |
| Discussion Class | Room 9 | Apr 30-Medical Assistance in Dying-Nancy Mann |
| Seniors Class | Board Room | |
| Adult Bible Study | Room 11 | |

LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY

1st Thurs. Of Every Month, 7:45 – **WOW Women of Worship** is a praise and worship night for women 15+ from the KW region who desire to connect and bring praise to our Father together at Wallenstein Bible Chapel. womenofworship2017@gmail.com

Mar. 26, 7:30 – **Steve Bell in Concert** at Brant Community Church, Brantford. Tickets \$20 through: the church 519-756-3993x1, Gospel Lighthouse 519-753-8837, stevebell.com or 1-800-854-3499

Mar. 28, 9:00 – **Aging Well in Woolwich** Information & Active Living Fair. Free event at Breslau Community Centre, with guest speakers, displays, lunch and door prizes. For lunch and/or transportation, register by March 24 at 519-664-1900 or 1-855-664-1900

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMBS

Want to learn more about Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary but can't make it to Elkhart, Indiana? Connect with us at the Seminary and Theological School Virtual Fair on **March 29**. The fair is free online where you can interact with faculty, students and admissions staff. Register today to get answers to your questions. www.ambs.edu/admissions/visit

CANADIAN FOODGRAINS BANK

Information Meeting April 11 2:00 at Wilmot Mennonite Church, 2995

Bleams Rd., New Hamburg, ON

CMU

CMU Open House, Wednesday, **March 29**: Be part of a grade 9–12 student 'come and go' Open House to explore programs and opportunities at CMU. Parents welcome. For more information go to cmu.ca/openhouse or call 204-594-0537.

CONRAD GREBEL

Divest Waterloo and The Peace Hub at UW's Centre for Peace Advancement are hosting **The Age of Consequences film screening** Tuesday **March 28th**, 6:30-9:30pm, at Conrad Grebel University 140, Westmount Rd. N Waterloo. Following the screening, a panel will discuss building peace in an era of ecological crises. Registration is free at Eventbrite – details are available at DivestWaterloo.ca/Events.

FRASER LAKE CAMP

Youth Summer Opportunity - FLC is providing bursaries for youth affiliated with the Mennonite church to experience our Leaders In Training program (includes a canoe trip through Algonquin Park), and our Counsellor In Training program. Come join us for an experience of a lifetime! For application details contact Kristen Berg, kberg@fraserlakecamp.com

HIDDEN ACRES

SUMMER CAMP 2017 brochures available on the resource table beside the mailboxes.

Spring Seniors' Retreat May 1st or 2nd, 2017 (the same program will be offered both days). Our resource persons are Robert J. & Irene Suderman and the theme is "Dancing in the Wind: The Vocation of the Church in Society". Join us for a day of worship, learning and fellowship. For more information contact the camp at 519-625-8602, info@hiddenacres.ca, or visit our website at www.hiddenacres.ca. Space is limited, please register by **April 25th**.

INTER-MENNONITE CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Did you ever sing in the Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir? All former choristers are invited to participate in the Alumni Choir at the IMCC 50th Anniversary Concert on **May 7th**. This celebration includes an afternoon rehearsal, dinner, and evening entertainment for alumni on May 6th. For more information and to register, visit <http://bit.ly/2kVbIBz> or email intermennonitechildrenschoir@gmail.com.

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

MCC is hiring! MCC Canada welcomes applications for MCC Canada Executive Director. We're also searching for a Business Development Manager, Volunteer Services Manager, Relief Manager and Restorative Justice Program Coordinator to join our energetic team. For more info and to apply, go to mcco.ca/serve.

The Amish Project April 13-16 at The Registry Theatre in Kitchener and **April 26-30** at St. Jacobs Schoolhouse Theatre. A fictional exploration of the Nickel Mines schoolhouse shooting in an Amish community and the path of forgiveness and compassion forged in its wake. Presented by Green Light Arts with support from MCC's Restorative Justice program. For more info or to purchase tickets call 519-957-2693 or go to mcco.ca/the-amish-project

MENNONITE CHURCH EASTERN CANADA

Junior Youth Retreat: May 12-14, at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp. Registration is now open. Theme is Building a Peaceful World and with educators from TREE. Worship and camp activities - including the new climbing wall! Register now for the Early Bird registration fee! For more information contact Mollee Moua.

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA

Pilgrimage for Indigenous Rights: March 31 is the deadline to register for the Pilgrimage for Indigenous Rights. Sign up now to join all or part of a 600 km pilgrimage of neighbours from Kitchener-Waterloo to Ottawa – **April 23 - May 14**. Details at www.pfir.ca.

Explore: A Theological Program for High School Youth gives students in grades 10, 11 and 12 an opportunity to explore ministry, develop their leadership gifts and listen for God's call through a Congregational Experience and a Group Experience (**July 11–26, 2017**). Whom could you encourage to take part in this program of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's Centre for Faith Formation? Applications are being accepted now. ambs.ca/explore

Save the date: Mennonite Church Canada delegates are invited to a special assembly **Oct. 13-15 in Winnipeg, Man**. The event will begin with a dinner on Friday and conclude with worship on Sunday. More info to come. For more info see futuresdirectionsmc.ca/the-proposal.

MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE

Mennonite Disaster Service will be running the 2017 **Family Project at Camp Wildwood, New Brunswick**. We invite families to apply online at www.mds.mennonite.net/volunteer/family-programs, and filling out the Family Project application. You may contact the MDS Office if you have any further questions; at mdscn@mds.mennonite.net or 866-261-1274. Please note that preference will be given to families from Atlantic Canada until April 15, but we invite all to apply beginning March 23.

SHALOM COUNSELLING

Invites applications for the Administrative Secretary position. More information can be found at www.shalomcounselling.org.

SILVER LAKE MENNONITE CAMP

Registration is open for Summer with programming available for campers ages 6-16 years. Space is limited so be sure to register early. Campership Funds (subsidies) are available. For more info, please visit www.slmc.ca or contact the camp office fun@slmc.ca or 519-422-1401.

WOMEN OF MCEC

Women of all ages are invited to St Jacobs Mennonite Church, **April 22, 2017**. Registration and Coffee 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Program 9:30 am - 3:30 pm. Guest speaker, Carol Penner Topic: "body and soul". **Pre-registration due by April 10th**. See bulletin board.

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