

MOTHER'S DAY**9:45****SUNDAY SCHOOL**

(More info below)

11:00**WORSHIP SERVICE**

Prelude	Lisa Demerling
Welcome and Announcements	Jerry Hesselink
L: You who were far off!!	
All: Are you talking to us?	
L: Yes you!	
All: We've never been far off!	
L: Oh yes you have! Once you were estranged from hope!	
All: Oh, that way. Well, yes, we were once.	
L: Did you forget? And now you've been brought near! Christ is your peace! You are no longer aliens and strangers! You are members of the household of God!	
Opening Prayer	
Congregational Singing	Mary Bauman
"Come, let us all unite to sing"	WB#12
"Christ is our cornerstone"	WB#43
Scripture Reading – Ephesians 2:11-22	
Children's Story	Jim Loepp Thiessen
Dismissal for Junior Church	
Giving of Tithes and Offerings	
Congregational Singing	
"I'm pressing on the upward way"	STJ#96
Scripture Reading – 2 Corinthians 5:16-20	Brent Bauman
Sermon: "Ambassadors"	Henry Paetkau
Hymn of Response	Nichelle Bauman
"All in all"	on screen

INSTALLATION LITANY**COVENANTING SERVICE Between****Jim Loepp Thiessen and Floradale Mennonite Church**

Leader: God has given each of us many gifts, all of which are useful for the work of Christian service, and to build up the church. God invites each of us to joyfully use our gifts as we share the love and light of Jesus with one another and the world around us.

Congregation: Today we renew our commitment to share the love and light of Jesus, and to encourage each other in the use of our gifts.

MCEC: We recognize the special gifts of ministry and leadership which Jim now brings to serve alongside the people of Floradale Mennonite Church.

Leader: Jim, God has called and equipped you for ministry. This congregation has called you to serve as our lead pastor. We are grateful for God's provision and your willingness to follow the call.

Pastor: It is a blessing that our paths have crossed! I accept this call with enthusiasm and joy and look forward to joining in ministry with you. I anticipate with joy and hope the relationships we will develop as together we find inspiration for our faith journeys. I welcome the opportunity to

work and serve with you as your pastor and acknowledge my need for your prayers, counsel, and support.

MCEC: Our charge to you, Jim, is to endeavour to be faithful to God in Christ as revealed in Scripture, to remain open to the leading of the Spirit in this community of faith, to be sensitive to the needs of people in the congregation and the community, and to serve in the spirit of love.

Leader: In token of your acceptance of our call, we ask you the following question: Jim, do you promise, as pastor of this congregation that you will faithfully endeavour to fulfill the duties of your ministry, seeking to carry out, wisely and in Christian love, the responsibilities that we have entrusted to you?

Pastor: I promise to do so, God being my helper.

Leader: Christian friends, you have heard the commitment made by Jim in accepting this call to ministry among us. What is your response?

Congregation: We welcome you, Jim, as someone sent by God to lead and nurture us in our ministry together. We promise to give you our love and support. We are grateful for the gifts you bring to us and invite you to serve with confidence and joy, knowing that our prayers are with you.

MCEC: Based on this covenant between the congregation and you, and as a representative of Mennonite Church Eastern Canada, I install you Jim Loepp Thiessen, as Pastor at Floradale Mennonite Church. I commit this congregation to your spiritual care, according to the ministries which are assigned to you. In the name of Jesus, who ministers to us all. Amen.

Signing of the Covenant Regarding Ethics in Ministry

Prayer of Dedication

Henry and others

Reception into membership of Jim and Ingrid Loepp Thiessen: Nancy Mann

Congregational Commitment

WB#777

Time of Sharing, Testimony and Silence

Pastoral Prayer

Sending Song

"Praise, I will praise you, Lord"

HW#76

Benediction

Postlude

We are happy to welcome Henry Paetkau, area church minister for Mennonite Church Eastern Canada, here with us this morning with his wife Leonora. Henry has served as the President of Conrad Grebel College, and as the pastor in several MCEC churches. This will be Henry's last church assignment as he concludes his six year ministry with MCEC this Tuesday.

Children of all ages are invited to Jr. Church following the children's story. We ask that parents/guardians accompany very young children as needed.
An unstaffed nursery is available during the worship service.

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: Cliff & Mary Bauman
Next Week: Lloyd & Brenda Martin

Congregational Prayer List

Pray for **Jessica Meyer and Jeremy Frey** who were joined together in holy marriage here yesterday, May 12th. Pray that God will bless their marriage and that they will have a good transition as they move to the Smithville area. It has been our joy to share our times of worship and fellowship with them over the past year. Pray for **Jim and Ingrid Loepp Thiessen** as they join our church as members this morning transferring their church memberships from The Gathering Church in Kitchener.

THIS WEEK AT FMC

Today is Mother's Day - We will offer a flower to all the women here today in celebration of the many ways they participate in our family of faith. The children will present these flowers as you leave the sanctuary after the service. Please take a moment to receive a flower and know that you are valued and loved.

Wednesday – 6:30 – Church Council

Nichelle Bauman will be on vacation May 16-23.

LOOKING AHEAD at FMC

May 24 – 6:30 – Teaball Project - New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale dough mixing at the church. **Friday May 25 and Saturday May 26** – New Hamburg Sale. Please sign up at the table in the foyer.

May 25 – 8:00 – Men's Breakfast at Crossroads-speaker Nichelle Bauman

May 27 – 11:00 – Outdoor Service – Followed by catered lunch of BBQ sausage, salads & ice cream sandwiches. There will be a donation basket to help cover costs. After lunch, join in on a trail walk or stay and visit with friends in the church yard. Remember to bring along lawn chairs, dishes, cups, sunscreen, bug spray, hats and walking shoes. Rain plan – service in the sanctuary, followed by lunch in the gym.

June 10 – 11:00 – Global Music Sunday. We will celebrate a time of musical worship by learning and sharing some of the diverse global music which we find in our Mennonite songbooks. If you would like to learn some of this music in advance, plan to come to our practice time **Thursday, June 7 at 7 p.m.**

June 13 Ladies Spring BBQ Progressive Supper. Enjoy a night of visiting 3 homes as we share food & fun together. Sign up before May 23rd by contacting Karen Bender, Rita Shantz or Norma Bauman or emailing Bonnie Martin at rbmartin@megawire.ca If you are interested in helping to provide food please let one of the committee members know.

Sunday School Classes available at 9:45

Drawing Class	Room 12
Discussion Class	Room 9
Seniors Bible Study	Board Room
Adult Bible Study	Room 11

See announcement sheet for other announcements.



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