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10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

L: We come to worship because for us to live is Christ.

All: We live for Christ
L: We live by Christ
All: We live with Christ
L: We live through Christ
All: We live in Christ.

L: God of grace, let Christ be praised, in all we say and do

All: In all we think and speak
L: In this hour of worship

All: And in every moment of our lives.
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Opening Prayer

Congregational Singing

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

"Wonderful grace of Jesus"

HWB#37

HWB#150

Children's Story

Congregational Singing

"For God so loved us" HWB#167

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Scripture: John 3:1-21 Sermon: "A Midnight Guest"

Hymn of Response

"O breathe on me, O breath of God" STJ#46

Time of Sharing, Testimony and Silence

Pastoral Prayer Sending Song

"We will walk with God" STJ#78

Farewell blessing

Postlude

Preacher: Kim Rempel

Worship Leader: Gloria H Bauman Musicians: Kim Rempel, Mary Bauman Church Greeters Today: Kathleen Cober

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 all who have gathered for worship with us this morning. Please join us for light refreshments in the church hall following the service.

Congregational Prayer List

This month we will pray for <u>St. James Lutheran Church</u>, <u>Elmira</u>, as part of our commitment to living in an ecumenical community.

THIS WEEK AT FMC

Pastor Jim is on vacation from July 26th to August 12th. For pastoral care, contact one of the elders.

Marj will be on vacation from Aug. 9 – 17. Aug. 12 bulletin will be printed Aug. 8. Please have all bulletin items to the office by Aug. 7. Veg will be preparing and printing the Aug. 19 bulletin, but there will not be regular office hour coverage.

Kim Rempel will be on vacation Aug. 12-24.

LOOKING AHEAD at FMC

Sunday August 12th. Paul Wagler will be speaking. His sermon, "Lessons learned from the seat of my bus" is based on his years of driving with Kitchener Transit. The scripture is Col. 3: 1-17. Paul grew up at East Zorra Mennonite Church. He and his wife Angie have been church planters and pastors and have been involved in church in various forms.

Aug. 14 - 8:30 - Ladies Breakfast at Bonnie Lou's

Aug. 15 - 6:30 - Church Council

Aug. 26 – 10:30 – Ecumenical Service at Gibson Park, 17 First St. W., Elmira. Jim Loepp Thiessen preaching. No service at Floradale.

Tuesday, August 28, 11:30 a.m. – Area Senior's Fellowship Summer BBQ at Dennis and Helen Martin's Winterrose Farm, 1220 Lundy Rd., RR1 West Montrose. Entertainment by Peter Baumann from Guelph on the electric accordion. Lunch is provided with an offering basket to cover expenses. Please sign sheet on bulletin board.

ADDITIONAL FMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

We would like to thank everyone for the blessings that were shared with us during our farewell Sunday on July 29. We so appreciated the kind words and thoughtful prayers, the tasty pizza lunch, and the great humour in the songs and skits. It is fun (and only a little embarrassing) to see yourself as others see you! Your kind gifts of the beautiful pottery, the quilted table runner, the prayer shawls and the theatre tickets were much appreciated, and will be timeless reminders of our years in ministry with you. We will cherish many fond memories which will remain with us over the years, and we are sincerely grateful for your kindness. God bless you - each and every one! ~ Nancy and Robert Mann

LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY

Female teacher is looking for a temporary room/board or small apartment in Elmira effective September. Contact Kathy Bauman 519-210-0186.

August 7 - 7:00 p.m. HOPE Outreach of Canada invites us to hear Dr.

Bishara Awad, Founder and President Emeritus of Bethlehem Bible
College, at Waterloo North Mennonite Church. For nearly 40 years Dr.

Awad has modelled Christ-centered peace, Godly humility and biblical wholeness in the volatile Palestine-Israel setting. Ample time will be given for questions and discussion. Refreshments will be served. An offering will be taken.

<u>August 16th - 6pm</u> - All are invited to attend the annual **MEDA Summer BBQ** at the pavilion in Waterloo Park in Waterloo. We will be having a special celebration for Allan Sauder's time with MEDA! The cost of the event is \$25 for adults and \$10 for Kids and Students. Childcare will be provided. To register or for more information please visit the website at https://meda.org/waterloo or contact Kathryn Askes at kaskes@meda.org or 1(519) 725-1633.

August 28 – 7:30 p.m. – The Libertas Male Choir "Hands Across the Ocean" summer concert directed by Martin Mans, with guest organist Christopher Dawes and soloist Amber Ruthart at The Drayton Reformed Church, 74 Wellington St. S. Tickets available at the door or www.libertasvoices.com, info@libertasvoices.com or 905-522-001

Voices Together: Prepare the Way - Join members of the Voices Together team to sing and learn more about the new Mennonite Song Collection/Hymnal coming out in 2020.

- October 13 9 a.m. to 4 p.m Resourcing Day at St. Jacobs Mennonite Church
- October 13 5 p.m. Evening Intercultural Worship and International Meal at First Mennonite Church, Kitchener
- October 14– 3:00 p.m. Hymn Sing at St Jacobs Mennonite Church (Donations to the work of *Voices Together*). Come sing a mix of favourites and new songs.

Sept. 15 - 4:30-6:30 p.m. St. Jacobs Mennonite Church (1310 King St. N., St. Jacobs) invites you to their Annual Chicken and Sausage BBQ. Join us for this annual Church Supper featuring BBQ Chicken Leg, Sausage, Baked Potato, Coleslaw, Corn, Dinner Roll, Pie and Beverage. Tickets: Adults - \$18.00; Children (5-12 years) - \$10.00, are available from the SJMC church office during regular office hours, by calling 519-664-2268, emailing church@sjmc.on.ca or at the door. Advance ticket purchases are encouraged. See the poster on the foyer bulletin board for more info.

Monday, October 22, 2018 – Fairview and Parkwood Anniversary
Fundraiser - 'More Than Memories . . . Seeing Beyond Dementia'
Dinner, guest speaker - Spencer West, from the ME to WE organization
www.metowe.com, silent & live auction and great fellowship. See Eileen
Freeman for tickets. Donation items for silent or live auction are
welcome. For more information contact Barb Montague, Executive
Assistant at 519-653-5719, ext. 4837.

No separate announcement sheet this week.



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