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Worship Focus: When we are lost and far from God, God reaches out with open arms. We get up and enter the feast of reconciliation.

# 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering

Song: "What is this place" HWB#1

Call to worship

Leader: O God, you are our God. We seek you!

People: Our souls thirst for you as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

Leader: We confess our sin to you, and you forgive us.

People: We offer our prayers to you, and you embrace us. All: O God, you satisfy our souls as with a rich feast.

In the shadow of your wings, we sing for joy, and you

STJ#97

uphold us.

Song: "Come, thou fount" HWB#521

Song: "The Lord is my light"

Children's Time

Dismissal for Junior Church

Confession and Reconciliation

Confessional Response – Delphine Burkhardt

All: God of steadfast love, we put our trust in your care for

us. When we need to find our way home, we put our

trust in you.

Leader: When we need forgiveness, we put our trust in you.

When our souls hunger for a new way of living, we put our

trust in you.

All: In the morning and in the evening, we will put our trust

in you.

Leader: Our generous God provides for us.

Song: "Take, O take me as I am" STJ#81

**Proclaiming** 

Scripture Reading: Joshua 5:8-12

Sermon: "When God's provision changes"

Song: "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah" HWB#582

Offering

Offering our gifts
Sharing our stories

Prayer

Sending

Song: "A wonderful Saviour is Jesus" HWB#598

Farewell blessing Postlude

Preacher: Jim Loepp Thiessen

Worship Leader: Ingrid Loepp Thiessen

Musicians: Barb Draper, Casey Horn, Angela Ishaka, Florence Jantzi,

Ingrid Loepp Thiessen

Children's Time: Rita Bauman

Church Greeters Today: Zenas & Eleanor Buehler Church Greeters Next Week: Randy & Bonnie Martin

Coffee Hosts: Marilyn & Ozie Martin

Children of all ages are invited to Jr. Church. We ask that parents/guardians

accompany very young children as needed.

An unstaffed nursery is available during the worship service.

The sermon portion of this worship service is being videotaped and put on our website. The complete service is shared only with subscribers to the Floradalian mailing group. 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.

God bless you and we hope to see you again!

#### **Congregational Prayer List**

Peyton Shoemaker recovering from Kawasaki disease. Pray for rest and healing.

# Adult Christian Education options this morning from 11:15-12:00

- Sermon discussion Rm 9
  Uniform Series Rm 11
- Seniors Uniform Series Brd Rm > Drawing Class Rm 12

# THIS WEEK AT FMC

Tuesday - 9:00 - Ladies Quilting & Knotting

Wednesday – 2-4 p.m. – Area Seniors Fellowship - Guest Speaker:
Miriam Frey at Elmira Mennonite Church. Topic: Heeding God's Call after leaving the Markham Mennonite Church. Fellowship and refreshments following the presentation. Freewill offering. For further information, contact Darrell and Florence Jantzi. Please sign up by TODAY (Mar. 31<sup>st</sup>.)

<u>Thursday – 9:30</u> – Let's Connect - An opportunity for seniors to play games and connect.

Sunday - 10:00 - Parent Child Dedication - Calvin/Jennifer/Brielle Shantz

#### **YAF CIRCLE**

April 7 at 11:15am part three of "Five Ways to Pray" led by Jim in the Multi Purpose Room.

# **LOOKING AHEAD AT FMC**

Apr. 9 - 8:30 - Ladies breakfast at Bonnie Lou's

Apr. 13 – Attention Ladies! WMCEC Spring Enrichment Day is at Floradale this year. Registration deadline extended to April 1.

Apr. 14 - 3:00 p.m. – Elmira Area Churches will present Handel's Messiah at here at FMC. April 12 & 13 performances at Woodside Church. Tickets \$5 each available at the church office.

Apr. 18 - 6:30 - Church Council

Apr. 19 - 10:00 - Good Friday Service

Apr. 25 - 6:30 - Elders

Apr. 26 – 8:00 – Men's Breakfast at Crossroads. Catherine Gitzel from the Gathering Church speaking.

Apr. 26 - 7:30 - Theatre of the Beat - "Yellow Bellies"

May 7 – 8:00 – Iftar Meal – Contact Leon at <a href="mailto:leonkehl@boxbrite.com">leonkehl@boxbrite.com</a> for more details and to sign up.

### ADDITIONAL FMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Wednesday Evening Lenten Services: 7:00 p.m.

Apr. 3 – Gale Presbyterian – Hans Borch speaking Apr. 10 – to be determined – Scott Sinclair speaking

Vacation Bible Camp - July 22 - 26, 2019. Are you already planning your summer vacation? Why not plan to participate in a fun-filled "Whose my Neighbour?" this summer during our Vacation Bible Camp week. You will find a deep joy as you engage with the children as we explore how the gospel helps inspire us to follow Jesus' example of care and compassion for neighbours close at hand and around the world. Contact Jonathan Brubacher (jbrubacheremc@gmail.com) if you would like to volunteer. Stay tuned for information about registration!

Thank you to all who attended the Dinner and Concert on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. The ham dinner was enjoyed by 154 people and thanks to the catering committee for a wonderful meal. An additional 30 to 40 people joined the crowd for the Twas Now concert where almost \$2,600.00 was raised for Elmira Developmental Support Corp for their Field of Dreams project.

See announcement sheet for other announcements.



"Loving God...Loving Our Neighbour"

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