

From PCR Ministry Team:

One of the preparation tasks for a pastoral search process is to update a congregational profile which helps describe who we are as a community of faith. Our next opportunity for group discussion will take place next Sunday, May 12, during the Sunday School hour. In preparation, please give some consideration to the following questions and come prepared to participate as we seek to better understand who we are as God's people.

"A vision can be defined as a picture of the future you would like to create, described in the present tense as if it was happening now. A statement of 'our vision' shows where we want to go, and what we will be like when we get there." (Ken Bechtel, Leader, Winter 2018-19).

- What do you think is the vision for Nith Valley? What are the priorities that shape Nith Valley's ministry?
- What changes or trends do you envision for Nith Valley over the next five years?

If you are not able to participate or be present for this conversation, consider submitting your thoughts and responses to the church office over the next week or two. Your participation is valuable and needed to help with the future direction of our congregation! Our next conversation will take place May 26.

Community Events:

- Sat. May 11, 2 pm. AGM and Canoe the Grand Fundraiser for Silver Lake Mennonite Camp. Please join us on the river or support a paddling team! To register or donate visit www.slmc.ca. The AGM will take place at Kiwanis Park (Kitchener) at 2pm. For more information visit www.slmc.ca
- Sun. May 11, 2:30 pm. Book Launch in the Nithview Auditorium for Glenn and Mary Ellen Zehr's memoirs, 'Partners: Pastures, Pasturing, Pastimes.'

From the Wilmot Ecumenical Ministerial:

The annual Lenten time of worship and lunch together was enjoyed by many again this year. Thank you to anyone who led the time of meditation and those who provided the lunches. A total of \$893 in offerings has been forwarded to the Canadian Bible Society.

From PCR Ministry Team:

Greg Yantzi (interim pastor) has begun meeting with family units. Please select a date & time through the google document or by speaking to Carolyn, or Greg directly. Here are some questions to ponder or take notes on in preparation for this:

- *When do you feel closest to God; when are you at peace in your life?
- *What helps your faith to feel real?
- *What is one thing you love about Nith Valley currently?
- *What is one thing you would like to see in the future that is different?
- *What does the physical building and meeting place mean to you and your family?
- *What do you think is God's Vision for Nith Valley 5 years or 10 years from now?
- *Or, if we were just starting Nith Valley as a church, what would it look like? Where would we meet? What would worship services look like? What programs/activities would there be?

Please speak to anyone on the PCRC ministry team (Greg, Jackie, Janet, Brenda, Lyle & Dan) with your questions/comments or suggestions.