

Welcome to Nith Valley Mennonite Church

“Love God with all our being and love others as ourselves”

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Worship Leader: Donna Hartzler

Pianist: Susan Cressman

Chorister: Lew Weber

Speaker: Matthew Isert Bender

Gather to Worship

Prelude

Welcome

Time of Anticipation

Call to Worship

Invocation

Hymn # 69The Lord is king

Hymn # 606Oh, have you not heard

Hearing God’s Word

Children’s Timeled by Tammy Shantz

Hymn # 614In the bulb there is a flower

Scripture ReadingJohn 18: 33-37

Sermon ‘My kingdom is not from here’

Turn to Jesus

Hymn # 275Lift your glad voices

Offering

Announcements

Hymn # 144Kyrie eleison

Prayer of the Church

Candle Lighting

Go with the Spirit

Hymn # 615Shall we gather at the River

Benediction

Time of Reflection

Postlude

Sunday School Class

1. Young Adult Class

2. Adult Bible Study Class

3. Discussion Class

Coffee/Juice Prep: Gladys Cressman

Location

Balcony

Library

Downstairs Hall

Clean Up: Kevin Cressman

Next Week – December 2

Worship Leader: Stephen Hoke

Speaker: Matthew Isert Bender

Pianist: Bethany Cressman

Chorister: Lois Cressman

Children’s Story Leader: Doris Zehr

Coffee/Juice Prep: Lew Weber

Clean up: Andy Kirkland

Ushers: volunteer needed

Nith Valley Events:

- TONIGHT, 7:30 pm. Choir practice.
- Mon. Nov. 26, 9:00-noon. Rag Cutting at the NH Thrift Centre. All are welcome. Scissors provided.
- Mon. Nov. 26. Church council reports due, so they can be processed and distributed before the Dec. 5 meeting. Please email your reports to the church address.
- Sat. Dec. 1, 9 -11 am. Men’s Breakfast.
- Sun. Dec. 2. First Sunday in Advent and Communion Sunday.
- Mon. Dec. 24, 7 pm. Christmas Eve Service

The Men’s Breakfast will be held on Saturday, December 1, from 9-11 am. Erwin Wiens, pastor at Mannheim MC will share his experience in Korea with MC Canada. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5.00 for students. Please sign up on bulletin board in foyer.

Starting today, the children and youth from Grades 1-12 will be practicing in the sanctuary for the full Sunday School hour. We are preparing for our Christmas play, ‘The Bells of Glocken,’ which will be presented on December 23. (Thank you to the young adult class who will be meeting in the balcony during this time.)

Community Events:

- Tues. Nov. 27, 7 pm. Rockway Mennonite Collegiate's Open House. This is an opportunity for parents and students wishing to find out more about the programs and activities Rockway has to offer. More info available at www.discoverrockway.ca
- Thurs. Nov. 29, 4:30 pm. Book launch for, 'Seeking Places of Peace,' (the 5th and final volume of the Global Mennonite History Series) will take place in the Conrad Grebel Chapel.
- Fri. Nov. 30, 6:30 pm. Tree of Light Ceremony at the Centennial Fountain, NH.
- Sun. Dec. 2, 3 pm. Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir's Christmas Concert at the Church of St. John the Evangelist (23 Water St. N, Kitchener). See poster for more details.
- Fri. Dec. 7, 9:00-5:00 & Sat. Dec. 8, 9:00-1:00. MennoMedia Christmas Warehouse Sale at 490 Dutton Dr. Unit C-8, Waterloo. Call Kathy Shantz for more info 1-800-631-6535.
- Sat. Dec. 8, 7:30 pm. Mennonite Mass Choir performs Handel's Messiah at the Centre in the Square. Tickets are going fast. Get yours at the Centre's box office or at www.centre-square.com
- Tues. Dec. 11, 10 am – 2 pm. Parkwood Mennonite Home's Christmas Sale
- Sun. Dec. 16, 7:30 pm. Area Mennonite Church Christmas Concert at Steinmann MC. Freewill offering for MCC.

In Memoriam November 2011-Eternity Sunday 2012

Today is Eternity Sunday. During our prayer time, we will remember those in our church family who have died this past year.

Jacob Regier, April 26, 1914 - November 23, 2011
Grace Cressman, August 16, 1934 - February 9, 2012
Norman Shantz, June 13, 1919 - March 1, 2012
Beatrice Shantz, July 3, 1933 - April 22, 2012

Let us remember others whom we have known and loved who have died this past year. In this space we also remember all people who have experienced loss in many different ways during this past year.

Jesus wept,
And in His weeping,
He joined Himself forever
To those who mourn.
He stands now throughout all time,
This Jesus weeping,
With His arms about the weeping ones:
'Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted.'
He stands with the mourners,
For His name is God-with-us.
Jesus wept

- Ann Weems