

**Welcome to Nith Valley Mennonite Church**  
**“Love God with all our being and love others as ourselves”**

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**Worship Leader:** Lois Cressman

**Pianist:** Susan Cressman

**Chorister:** Terry Keller

**Speaker:** Hendrike Isert Bender

**Gather to Worship**

Prelude

Welcome

Time of Anticipation

Hymn # 11 .....Sweet hour of prayer

Hymn # 46 .....I sing the mighty power of God

Call to Worship

Invocation

**Hearing God’s Word**

Children’s Story .....led by Kathryn Cressman

Hymn # 32 (SP&W) .....As the deer

Scripture Reading .....Psalm 63: 1-8

Sermon

**Turning to Jesus**

Hymn # 87 (SP&W) .....Ashamed no more

Confession

Words of Assurance

Hymn # 516 .....Just as I am, without one plea

Offering

Announcements

Sharing Time & Prayer of the Church

**Go With the Spirit**

Hymn # 427 .....You shall go out with joy

Benediction

Time of Reflection

Postlude

**Sunday School Class**

1. Youth Class

2. Young Adult Class

3. Adult Bible Study Class

4. Storytelling Elective

5. Discussion Class

Coffee/Juice Prep: Lyle Cressman

**Location**

Balcony

Sanctuary

Library

Downstairs Office

Downstairs Hall

Clean Up: Mark Keller

**Next Sunday – March 10**

Worship Leader: Judie Bowlby

Speaker: Matthew Isert Bender

Pianist: Bethany Cressman

Chorister: Lew Weber

Children’s Story Leader: Tammy Shantz

Coffee/Juice Prep: Jackie Keller

Clean Up: Debbie Wall

Ushers: Ken & Lorrie Koch

**Questions for Further Reflection – Lent 3**

What or whom do we desire? Are we thirsting after God? Are we at peace with God?

**Nith Valley Events:**

- Mon. Mar. 4, 9:00 am – noon. Rag Cutting at NH Thrift Centre. All are welcome. Scissors supplied.
- Tues. Mar. 5, 9:30-3:30. Nith Valley Sewing Circle.
- Wed. Mar. 6, 7:15 pm. Fellowship Ministry Team meeting at Jackie’s house.
- Sun. Mar. 10. Nith Valley Budget Meeting, during the Sunday School hour. Potluck lunch to follow.
- Mon. May 6 & Tues. May 7. Appointment dates for the new photo directory. Watch for more info soon.

**From Pastor-Congregational Relations Committee (PCRC):**

The PCRC is asking that everyone give thought to both Affirmations and Opportunities regarding our Pastors, Matthew & Hendrike. Today, PCRC will be taking 20 minutes of your classroom time to receive your feedback and one of the Pastors will record all Affirmations and Opportunities shared. This is intended to be a positive and non-stressful experience, yet deliberate and intentional in hopes of being supportive for both our Pastors and us as a congregation.

## Community Events:

- TODAY, 3 pm. DaCapo Chamber Choir presents, 'Path of Miracles,' by Joby Talbot, a musical version of the great medieval pilgrimages to the Cathedral of St. James at Santiago. Concert will be at Knox Presbyterian Church, Waterloo. Call 519-725-7459 or visit [www.dacapochoir.ca](http://www.dacapochoir.ca)
- Tues. Mar. 5, 6:30-8:00 pm. Baden Public School is hosting a Parenting Series, led by Interfaith Counseling Centre. Today's topic will be: 'Fostering Positive Relationships in Children.' (Childcare provided.)
- Wed. Mar. 6, noon. Soup, Sandwich, Sermon & Song at Zion United Church (215 Peel St., NH).
- Thurs. Mar. 7, 7-8 pm. Stressed Out? Join Interfaith's Moving Forward Workshops. Today's topic: Moving Forward with Stress.
- Fri. Mar. 8 & Sat. Mar. 9, 7 pm. Conrad Grebel presents, 'The Saint and the Sultan: Religion, Conflict and the Search for Peace,' with Paul Moses. See poster for more info.
- Mon. Mar. 11 **or** Tues. Mar. 12, 9:30 am – 2:45 pm. Hidden Acres Grandparent & Grandchild Days. Flyers available on coming events board.
- Tues. Mar. 12 & Wed. Mar. 13. Conrad Grebel's March Break Open House for prospective students and their parents. See poster or go to [www.grebel.ca/futurestudent](http://www.grebel.ca/futurestudent)
- Thurs. Mar. 14 & Fri. Mar. 15, 7:30 pm. Conrad Grebel presents The Bechtel Lectures, featuring Chris Marshall from Victoria University, New Zealand. See poster for more info.
- Sat. Mar. 23 & Sun. Mar. 24, Conrad Grebel presents, 'Anne of Green Gables.' See poster for more info.
- Wed. Mar. 27, 6:30-7:30 pm. Community Consultation at Trinity Hall (Interfaith Offices, 23B Church St., NH). Come give your input on how Interfaith Counselling Centre and Wilmot Family Resource Centre can better serve our community.
- Fri. Apr. 5 & Sat. Apr. 6. Interfaith presents, 'Growing Through Marriage: A Marriage Preparation Course.' Please register by March 20. Call Interfaith for more info, 519-662-3092.
- Apr. 12-13 . Inspire Justice Conference at Pentecostal Assembly in Cambridge. Hear speakers Tony Campolo, Shane Claiborne, Dave Toyce and others as they explore ways to learn to do good, seek justice and help the oppressed. For more info on the MCEC endorsed event, visit their website [www.inspirejustice.ca](http://www.inspirejustice.ca)

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