

Welcome to Nith Valley Mennonite Church

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

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Worship Leader: Stephen Hoke

Pianist: Bonnie Stemmler **Chorister:** Lois Cressman

Speaker: Matthew Isert Bender

Gather to Worship

Prelude

Welcome

Time of Anticipation

Call to Worship

Invocation

Hearing God’s Word

Hymn # 26Holy Spirit, come with power

Hymn # 502Spirit of God! descend

Scripture ReadingActs 2: 1-21

Children’s Storyled by Tricia Cressman

Hymn # 105 (S the S)Holy Spirit, truth divine

Scripture Video

Sermon

Turning to Jesus

Commitment to Witness

Hymn # 32 (S the J)If you believe and I believe

Offering

Announcements

HymnSpirit of Gentleness

Sharing Time & Prayer of the Church

Go With the Spirit

Hymn # 16 (S the S)Peace before us

Benediction

Time of Reflection

Postlude

Sunday School Class

1. Youth Class

2. Young Adult Class

3. Adult Bible Study Class

4. Elective – ‘Please Pass the Faith’

5. Discussion Class

Coffee/Juice Prep: Glen Cressman

Location

Balcony

Sanctuary

Library

Nursery

Downstairs Hall

Clean Up: Ross Roth

Next Sunday – May 26

Worship Leader: Lara Shantz

Speaker: Hendrike Isert Bender

Pianist: Susan Cressman

Chorister: Lew Weber

Children’s Story Leader: Lois Cressman

Coffee/Juice Prep: Gladys Cressman

Clean Up: Wayne Eckstein

Ushers: The Shantz family

Nith Valley Events:

- Wed. May 22, 8:45 pm. Nith Valley Jays vs Poole Panthers at Millbank-1.
- Sat. May 25, 6 am. Come to Susan Cressman’s house to help fill date cookies for the Relief Sale.

From the Christian Education Ministry Team:

The third & final day for the Sunday School Peace Fundraiser will be held on Sunday, June 2. Both classes (Grades 1-5 & Youth) will be combining their efforts to prepare for this event. Baking, snacks and refreshments will be available to purchase in the basement following the worship service. Your support is appreciated so they can reach their goal of \$1,000 to support Bolivian street children.

Mark your calendars! Christian Ed Team is planning an end-of-year BBQ for Sunday, June 23 following the morning service. More details to follow.

Were you unable to get your picture taken at church last week? No problem, you can still submit a photo to us and be included in the directory. You can loan us a photo, or email one to us. Digital photos must be at least 1 MB in size. Questions can be directed to Pastor Matthew or Carolyn.

Relief Sale Notes:

Last Sunday to sign up to sell cookies at the Relief Sale. Trays and bags are in vestibule. Any Problems, call either Carol Cook, Sue Entz or Susan Cressman. Happy Baking and Selling!

Get involved at the New Hamburg Mennonite **Relief Sale** this year – May 24 & 25! Register for the 5K Run or 2K Walk of the Run for Relief. Volunteers are still needed for setup/cleanup and supporting our environmental efforts. We also would like to remind you to start your plant cuttings and bulbs for the Sale. Details of these opportunities to get involved can be found on our website www.nhmrs.com or email johnreimer@sentex.ca
Also, look for us on Facebook!

Crosshill MC is looking for donation of rhubarb to sell at the Relief Sale. Please bring donations to their booth near the Grandstand on Friday night or by noon on Saturday.

From Pastor-Congregational Relations Committee (PCRC):

Our committee continues to meet regularly. Our role is to care for the relationship between our congregation and pastors. We wish to encourage and facilitate open communication, sharing both affirmations and concerns. Please feel free to approach any of the PCRC members: Brenda Kirkland, Lois Cressman, Tricia Cressman, Pastor Matthew, Pastor Hendrike or Terry Keller.

Prayer Request from MCEC:

MCEC invites your prayers for two significant items related to its stewardship of property. In preparation for the relocation of MCEC offices to the new 50 Kent complex in Kitchener, ON, the existing office property is in the process of being sold. MCEC is also engaged in clarifying ownership understandings related to 74 Firvalley, a Toronto, ON property held in title by MCEC. Your prayers for wisdom and guidance as we deal with both of these important matters would be greatly appreciated.

MCEC Celebrates 25 Years!

This spring 15 years ago....

Conrad Grebel University College announced the addition of a Ministry Option to its Master of Theological Studies program. The most recent Mennonite graduates in this Applied Studies stream are Dawne Dreidger, co-pastor of Zion Mennonite Fellowship (2013); Vicky Roeder Martin, associate pastor of Breslau Mennonite Church (2012); and Amanda Zehr, associate pastor of Listowel Mennonite Church (2012).

Community Events:

- Sun. May 26, 3-4 pm. Silver Lake Mennonite Camp Annual Meeting at WK United Mennonite Church.
- Sun. June 2, 2:30-4:30 pm. Detweiler Meetinghouse presents The 7th Annual Shaped Note Singing from the Harmonia Sacra. Freewill offering.
- Thurs. June 6, 6:30-9:30 pm. Interfaith presents, 'Ladies Night Out,' at Steinmann MC. Tickets are \$20. See poster for details.
- Tues. June 11, 5:30-8:00 pm. Hidden Acres 47th Annual Chicken BBQ Fundraiser & Pie Auction. Come enjoy a delicious meal or pick up a take out dinner. Tickets are \$14 (regular) or \$10 (small). Advance tickets only: call 519-625-8602, email info@hiddenacres.ca or talk to Lara Shantz.
- Sat. June. 15, 10 am – 3 pm. Mennonite Historical Society of Ontario's Spring Meeting at New Covenant Mennonite Fellowship (7827 Wellington Rd 45, Glen Allan). See poster for details. Cost is \$20, includes lunch & afternoon bus tour. Space on bus is limited. Call 885-0220 X24238 to reserve your place.
- Thurs. June 20, 6 pm. MCC's Annual General Meeting at Living Faith Community Church (530 Victoria Ave, Chatham). Find more info online at www.mcco.ca/agm
- Sat. June 22, 9 am. Out-Spok'n III Bike-a-thon to support MennoHomes Inc. Plan to ride 5,7,10,14, 21 or 28 km. Starting point is Elmira MC. See poster for more info.

Ministry Note from MC Canada:

Young people grow into mature Christian adults through others who commit time and money, and offer personal encouragement. Thank you for loving and supporting future generations of the church.

Sermon Notes:

As Nith Valley, we wonder today, when and where the next Pentecost will be. Where might our community of faith respond to God's call and, empowered by the Holy Spirit, respond in faith to the summons issued by God through the needs of neighbour and community?"