

Welcome to Nith Valley Mennonite Church

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

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Worship Leader: Tricia Cressman

Pianist: Bethany Ruby **Chorister:** Jeannette Cressman

Speaker: Hendrike Isert Bender

Come to the River

- Prelude
- Welcome
- Time of Anticipation
- Call to Worship
- Invocation
- Hymn # 26Holy Spirit, come with power
- Hymn # 32 (S the J)If you believe and I believe

Drink Deeply

- Litany of Wondering and Invitation
- Old Testament Scripture ReadingIsaiah 11: 1-9
- Children’s Story
- Hymn # 18 (S the J)Over my head
- New Testament Scripture Reading I Corinthians 12: 4-11
- Sermon ‘Joy in the Spirit’

Flowing out to the World

- Hymn # 34 (S the J)Loving Spirit
- Time of Quiet Reflection
- Offering
- Announcements
- Hymn # 377Healer of our every ill
- Sharing Time and Prayer of the Church
- Hymn # 427You shall go out with joy
- Benediction
- Time of Reflection
- Postlude

Sunday School Class

1. Preschool & Primary Class (ages 2-5)
 2. Intermediate Class (ages 6-9)
 3. Youth Class (ages 10-17)
 4. Young Adult Class
 5. Adult Bible Study Class
 6. Sermon Discussion Class
- Coffee/Juice Prep: Stacey Keller

Location

- Downstairs
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- Balcony
- Sanctuary
- Library
- Downstairs Hall
- Clean Up: Karen Bearinger

Next Sunday – February 22

Worship Leader: Lorrie Koch Speaker: Hendrike Isert Bender
Pianist: Janna Lynn Cressman Chorister: Terry Keller
Coffee/Juice Prep: Lyle Cressman Clean Up: Mark Keller
Ushers: (volunteer needed)

Nith Valley Events:

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- Sat. Feb. 21, 9-11 am. Men’s Breakfast – Faith and Sports. Come for food and conversation. Greg Yantzi will share some reflections on faith and sports, from his experiences as a athlete, parent, pastor and leader of the Faith, sport, leadership initiative for MCEC. He is presently attending Cassel Mennonite church and we have invited the men from Cassel to attend as well. Please sign up on sheet or email Matthew so we know what numbers to expect for food. Cost is \$10 (adults) or \$5 (students).
- Sat. Feb. 28, all day. Women of Nith Valley, mark your calendars for the next women’s retreat. Add your name to the sign-up sheet in the foyer if you are planning to attend.

Is now the time for you to publically say "I am a follower of way of Jesus." "I want to pattern myself after the life of Jesus." "I want to publically say I am a part of the Nith Valley Mennonite church family."

On Sunday May 24, Pentecost Sunday, we will have a service of Baptism and transfer of membership. If you have been considering baptism or transferring your membership please speak with Matthew or Hendrike over the next few weeks. As well encourage those around you to consider this step in their faith walk.

Adults Needed! Youth from our congregation are considering going to MWC youth assembly (July 20-26), would you be open to travel with them? We are looking for 1 or 2 sponsors. If you are all intrigued by this possibility, please talk with Matthew, ASAP. By the end of February we need to be registering.

Community Events:

- Tues. Feb. 17, 5-7 pm. Community Pancake & Sausage Supper at the Wilmot Rec Complex. Adults \$9, Children \$5. See poster for more info.
- Fri. Feb. 20. MCC Ontario's Heifer Sale at Carson's Auction. To sponsor or donate a heifer, contact Clarence Diefenbacher at 519-745-8458.
- Wed. Feb. 25, 7-9 pm. Songs of the Heart: Hymns, Blues and Beyond at the Mennonite Story (1406 King St. N. St. Jacobs).
- Fri. Feb. 27. Rockway Collegiate's Annual Fundraising Dinner. More info at <http://rockway.ca/2015/01/15/annual-fundraising-dinner-2/>
- Fri. Feb. 27, 7 pm. Grebel presents, 'Taking Community from the farm to the World.' This photo exhibit will be available to view until Apr 30 in the Grebel Gallery.
- Sat. Mar. 7, 5:30 pm. Chin Christian Church fundraising dinner at Steinmann Mennonite Church. Enjoy Chin cuisine (spicy and non spicy) with music (choir, solo, duet) and program to follow. All donations will help our Chin sisters and brothers with the building they purchased recently in Kitchener. Dinner by reservation only (so the cooks know how many to prepare for). Contact 519 634-8311 or office@smchurch.ca
- Sat. Mar. 14, 10 am – 4 pm. Grebel's Prospective Student Open House
- Mar 16 or 17. Hidden Acres Grandparent-Grandchild Day. Registration forms are on bulletin board in coat room.
- Sat. Mar. 28, 2 pm. Book Launch for Sam Steiner's new book, 'In Search of Promised Lands,' in the Grebel Great Hall.
- Sat. Mar. 28, 6:30 pm. MEDA Waterloo Spring Banquet at Steinmann MC. Reserve your place by calling 519-725-1633 X100 or emailing nagbonaye@meda.org by Mar. 23.
- Sun. Mar. 22, 3 pm. Ted & Co's presentation of, 'Laughter is Sacred Space,' at Tavistock MC.