

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: Lorrie Koch

Pianist: Janna Lynn Cressman

Chorister: Terry Keller

Speaker: Hendrike Isert Bender

First Look

- Prelude
- Welcome
- Candle Lighting
- Time of Anticipation
- Call to Worship
- Invocation
- Hymn # 36God of our strength
- Hymn # 44 (S the J)The love of God
- Children’s Storyled by Doris Zehr
- Scripture ReadingGenesis 9:8-17
- Hymn # 614In the bulb there is a flower
- Call to Authenticity

Upside Down and Inside Out

- Call to Grace
- Sermon
- Hymn # 124 (S the S)My soul cries out

Second Look

- Reader’s Theatre
- Scripture ReadingGenesis 9:8-17
- Offering
- Announcements
- Sharing Time and Prayer of the Church
- Hymn # 327Great is thy faithfulness
- Benediction (Call to Commitment)
- 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: Lyle Cressman

Location
 Downstairs
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 Balcony
 Sanctuary
 Library
 Downstairs Hall
 Clean Up: Mark Keller

Next Sunday – March 1

Worship Leader: Lorrie Koch Speaker: Matthew Isert Bender
 Pianist: Bethany Ruby Chorister: Lois Cressman
 Children’s Story Leader: Carolyn O’Krafka
 Coffee/Juice Prep: Lyle Cressman Clean Up: Mark Keller
 Ushers: (volunteer needed)

Nith Valley Events:

- Mon. Feb. 23, 7 pm. PCRC/Personnel meeting.
- Wed. Feb. 25, 9:15-11:15 am. M.O.P.S.
- Wed. Feb. 25, 7 pm. Church Council meeting.
- 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.
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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:

- Wed. Feb. 25, 7-9 pm. Songs of the Heart: Hymns, Blues and Beyond at the Mennonite Story (1406 King St. N. St. Jacobs).
- Thurs. Feb. 26, 7-9 pm. Conrad Grebel presents Andrew Suderman speaking on the topic, 'Journeying Towards Reconciliation: Reflections from a Post-war TRC South Africa.'
- 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.