

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: Janna Lynn Cressman

Gather to Worship

Prelude

Welcome

Time of Anticipation

Call to Worship

Invocation

Hymn # 546 (blue) ... Guide my feet

Hymn # 585 (blue) ... In your sickness

Hearing God’s Word

Children’s Storyled by Carolyn O’Krafka

Hymn # 553 (blue)I am weak

Scripture Psalm 30, Luke 7:11-17

Video Sermon ‘Walking with Jesus’

Turn to Jesus

Hymn # 78 (green) ...

Offering

Announcements

Sharing Time & Prayer of the Church

Go with the Spirit

Hymn # 57 (purple)Go my friend, in grace

Benediction

Time of Reflection

Postlude

Sunday School Class

1. Preschool & Kindergarten Class (ages 3-SK)

2. Primary Class

3. Junior Class

4. Young Adult Class

5. Adult Bible Study Class

6. Sermon Discussion Class

Coffee/Juice Prep: Gloria Richardson

Clean Up: Susan Cressman

Location

Downstairs

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Balcony

Sanctuary

Library

Downstairs Hall

Next Sunday – June 12

Worship Leader: Lois Cressman

Speaker: Henkrike Isert Bender

Pianist: Susan Cressman

Chorister: Janna Lynn Cressman

Children’s Story Leader: Doris Brubacher

Coffee/Juice Prep: Nick Shantz

Clean Up: Lyle Cressman

Nith Valley Events:

- Mon. June 6, 9:00-noon. Wipe cutting at the New Hamburg Thrift Centre. Scissors provided. All are welcome.
- Mon. June 6, 7 pm. Fellowship Ministry Team meeting at Karen Cressman’s home.
- Mon. June 6, 7 pm. Personnel/PCRC meeting.
- Tues. June 7, 9 am – 3 pm. Sewing Circle.
- Wed. June 8, 9:15-11:15 am. MOPS.

Financial Update:

17/52 of Budget	\$53,468.27
Budget givings to May 31/16	\$41,860.00
Shortfall	\$11,608.27

From Silver Lake Mennonite Camp:

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We require volunteers to help in the kitchen, garden or on maintenance (where needed most) this summer. If you are interested, please find additional information at slmc.ca/volunteers or call (519-422-1401) or email (fun@slmc.ca).

From Menno Singers:

Mennonite Mass Choir will be performing The Messiah with the KW Symphony at the Centre in the Square on Dec. 10. Registration is now open for those interested in joining the Mass Choir. See registration forms on the bulletin board, or go to www.mennosingers.com

Community Events:

- Sat. June 11, 4 pm. Single or Single Again group will be gathering for a summer potluck picnic in the Stratford park, below the Festival Theatre. Bad weather plan: 5 pm at Demetre's Restaurant (1100 Ontario St.).
 - Sun. June 12, 12 noon. Fundraising Lunch at Steinmann MC to support the Friedenshaus in Ludwigshafen, Germany. Suggested donation - \$10 per person. Reserve your place by June 8 by emailing Darlene: office@smchurch.ca
 - Tues. June 14. Annual Hidden Acres Chicken BBQ. (Regular - \$15; small - \$11).
 - Sat. June 18, 10 am. Spring Meeting of the Mennonite Historical Society at Conrad Grebel. See poster for details.
 - Sat. June 18, 2-4 and 6:30-8:00. Nithview Community's Strawberry Social. (\$5.00/adult, \$3.00/child). All are welcome!
 - Sun. June 19, 3 pm. Rockway Collegiate's Alumni Reunion Choir. Freewill offering. To join the choir, register at www.rockway.ca before June 3. See poster for details.
 - Tues. June 21, 7-8:30 pm. Wilmot Family Resource Centre's Annual General meeting and Volunteer Appreciation in the Community Room at the Township Administration Building (60 Snyder's Rd, Baden). RSVP by June 17 to Madeline at 519-662-2731 or wfrc@bellnet.ca
 - Sat. June 25. Crosshill Mennonite Church hosts a Road Hockey Challenge. See poster for the details.
 - Fri. July 1 – Sun. July 3. Hidden Acres Family Camping weekend. See flyers on bulletin board.
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Reh/Meh family update:

The family is happy to be in Canada. They are responding gratefully to the warmth and kindness extended to them and are settling in and becoming more comfortable with their new environment.

All the children are in school and the parents are registered to attend ESL classes at Saint Louis Adult Learning & Continuing Education Centre, at St. Mary's Campus, 77 Young Street, Kitchener. There are also some leads on possible part-time employment for Ri Reh (father) if that can be arranged around ESL classes. Learning English is the first priority.

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Family members have seen doctors and dentists. Usually there is an interpreter present but Play Meh, the teenage daughter, has also been helpful. The volunteer who accompanied the family on a dental visit said, "The dentists were fantastic, perfect for the family. The clinic is going to help with ways to cut costs for dental work"

Some summer camps are offering free or much reduced registration fees for newcomer children Poe, Htaw and Mi, the three youngest children, are registered for a 2-week Big Brothers Big Sisters Summer Discovery Program in cooperation with the YMCA at Benton Street Baptist Church, Kitchener. Htaw and Mi are on a soccer team coached by one of our Nith Valley volunteers. Watching games is a good way for other family members to get out into the community. The children would like a basketball net. If one is found or donated, Carman will check with the landlord about where to attach it.

Our Financial Team is assisting the family with managing finances, banking, setting up a budget and paying bills. The first of monthly government funding has arrived and will continue for six months. The family will also receive government child benefit payments.

The family has planted a vegetable garden which they are tending and checking with excitement for new growth as plants pop through the soil.

Generally, things are going well. Task Force members are working hard and accomplishing a lot. There have been many appointments! But our volunteers will need more help. When Ri Reh and Peh Meh, the parents, start ESL classes they will need transportation and child care. Yvonne Sawatzky from St. Agatha, who will coordinate child care, is taking names and contact information of people willing and able to help. Call her (519-746-4058) to find out what help is needed. Nith Valley pastor Matthew Isert-Bender will coordinate transportation. Contact him (519-575-6957) to offer help. Carman Albrecht is looking for assistance with outside work around the property. Call him (519-662-1023) to volunteer.

Thanks for all the support for this venture.