

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: Lois Cressman

Pianist: Bonnie Stemmler Chorister: Jeannette Cressman

Speaker: Matthew Isert Bender

Gather to Worship

Prelude

Welcome

Time of Anticipation

Hymn # 50 (blue)Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah

Hymn # 369 (blue)Lord, whose love in humble service

Call to Worship

Invocation

Hearing God's Word

Children's Storyled by Brenda Kirkland

Hymn # 17 (green)Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Scripture Reading Matthew 25: 34-40

Sermon 'Go Answer the Door. Jesus is Waiting'

Turn to Jesus

Hymn # 54 (green) Longing for light

Offering

Announcements

A Hospitality Moment

Sharing Time and Prayer of the Church

Go with the Spirit

Hymn # 142 (blue)Brothers and sisters of mine

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: Ruth Cressman

Location

Downstairs

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Balcony

Sanctuary

Upstairs Library

Downstairs Hall

Clean Up: Lloyd Fretz

Next Sunday – September 25

House Church gatherings at 3 different locations:

- Janna Lynn and Christopher Cressman – 31Stiefelmeyer Cr., Baden
- Lois and Ralph Cressman - 946778 Township Rd. 14, Plattsville
- Matthew and Hendrike IB - 16 William Str. S., Plattsville

Please sign up for the home you will attend, to assist us in our planning.

Nith Valley Events:

- Mon. Sept. 19, 7 pm. Personnel/PCR meeting at Nith Valley.
- Sun.Oct 23, 3:00 pm. The Fellowship Team is organizing an intergenerational Car Rally. We will meet at the church, be assigned to rally teams and then follow with supper at the church. Please sign up if you interested.

Financial Update:

32/52 of Budget	\$100,646.15
Budget givings to Sept 11/16	\$75,045.85
Shortfall	\$25,600.30

Have you even been asked questions about being Mennonite that were hard to answer? We now have a flyer available called, 'Who are the Mennonites?' The flyer includes some Mennonite history, as well as information about some of our beliefs, values, and practices. Keep these in mind for when people around you (neighbours, friends, co-workers) ask about the Mennonite faith. Please help yourself.

Community Events:

- Thurs. Sept. 22, 7 pm. Tri-County Mennonite Homes presents an info session at Nithview about the new GRT Bus Service – Route 77.
- Sept. 23-25. Men’s Retreat at Silver Lake Camp. Find more info online at www.slmc.ca/retreats
- Sept. 26 or Sept. 27. Hidden Acres Senior’s Retreat, with resource person Ingrid Loepp Thiessen. For more information, go to www.hiddenacres.ca or call 519-625-8602.
- Wed. Sept. 28, 7-8:30 pm. Rockway Mennonite Collegiate presents an evening discussion about Social Media
- Sun. Oct. 2, 7 pm. St. Jacob’s MC hosts Benefit Concert for Benin Bible Institute’s Agricultural Project. Freewill offering.

From MC Canada:

Join us as we Ride for Refuge on Oct. 1 in support of Witness mission workers in 20 countries around the world! Check out <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/r4r2016> for an inspirational video of what this recreational Ride accomplished for Botswana, bulletin inserts and more. Put your foot to the pedal on Oct. 1!

Featured prayer request from the wider church (to receive regular prayer requests, subscribe to PrayerNet at: www.commonword.ca/go/96). Canadian Song Selection committee members Anneli Loepp Thiessen, Darryl Neustaedter Barg, Paul Dueck, Mike Erb and Sarah Johnson, as well as Karen Martens Zimmerly of Mennonite Church Canada will travel to Harrisonburg, Virginia, Sept 22-25 for the first meeting of the bi-national song selection committee. Pray for the committee as they begin their 4 year commitment to develop a new song collection that will replace Hymnal Worship Book, Sing the Journey and Sing the Story.

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