

Welcome to Nith Valley Mennonite Church

Pastors: Matthew & Hendrike Isert Bender

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

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Pianist: Bonnie Stemmler Chorister: Jeannette Cressman
Speaker: Hendrike Isert Bender

Gather to Worship

- Prelude
- Welcome
- Hymn # 178Come, thou long-expected Jesus
- Hymn # 197Angels we have heard on high
- Call to Worship
- Invocation

Hearing God’s Word

- Hymn # 201Hark! The herald angels sing
- Children’s Story
- Hymn # 218As with gladness men of old
- Scripture ReadingMatthew 2:1-23
- Sermon ‘Mystery, Martyrdom, Magnificat’

Turn to Jesus

- Hymn # 181My soul proclaims with wonder
- Offering
- Announcements
- Sharing Time and Prayer of the Church

Go with the Spirit

- Hymn # 32 (purple)Oh, beautiful star of Bethlehem
- Benediction

Matthew and Hendrike will be away from January 2 - 5, 2017. In an emergency they can be contacted by email or phone. (519) 575-6957 (Matthew cell); nvmc@sympatico.ca

Next Sunday – January 8

Worship Leader: Lois Cressman Speaker: Matthew Isert Bender
Pianist: Bethany Ruby
Coffee/Juice Prep: Jim Shantz Clean Up: Judy Rivers

Nith Valley Events:

- Tues. Jan. 3, 9 am – 3 pm. Sewing Circle meets for quilting and knotting comforters.
- Tues. Jan. 3, 7 pm. Join us at church for quilting and knotting comforters. All are welcome!

Financial Update:

100% of 2016/17 Budget	\$163,550.00
Givings to Dec 18/16	\$114,554.85
Shortfall	\$48,995.15

Thanks to your investments in Kindred’s Church Builder GICs last year, we have received a donation of \$1,204.64. Since Church Builder GICs were introduced in 1998, Kindred has donated over \$500,000 in bonus interest to churches and church-based organizations in Ontario.

Community Events:

- Tues. Jan. 17, 4 pm. Conrad Grebel hosts a book launch for Jack Suderman’s book, ‘Re-Imaging the Church: Implications of Being a People in the World.’