

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: Donna Hartzler

Pianist: Janna Lynn Cressman Chorister: Jeannette Cressman

Speaker: Matthew Isert Bender

Gather to Worship

- Prelude
- Welcome
- Time of Anticipation
- Call to Worship
- Invocation
- Hymn # 7 (blue)Here, O Lord, your servants gather
- Hymn # 76 (blue)Praise, I will praise you Lord

Hearing God’s Word

- Children’s Story
- Parent – Child Dedication
- Hymn # 90 (green)Lord, we bring to you our children
- Scripture 1 John 2: 7-17
- Hymn # 420 (blue)Heart with loving heart united
- Sermon

Turn to Jesus

- Hymn # 349 (blue)Spirit o f the living God
- Offering
- Announcements
- Sharing Time and Prayer of the Church

Go with the Spirit

- Hymn # 78 (green)We will walk with God
- Benediction
- Time of Reflection
- Postlude

Sunday School Class

1. Preschool & Kindergarten Class
 2. Primary Class
 3. Junior Class
 4. Young Adult Class
 5. Adult Bible Study Class
 6. Sermon Discussion Class
- Coffee/Juice Prep: Glenda Roth

Location

- Downstairs
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 - Balcony
 - Sanctuary
 - Upstairs Library
 - Downstairs Hall
- Clean Up: Brenda Kirkland

Nith Valley Events:

- Sat. Jan. 28, 3 pm – 9 pm (supper at 5:00). Our Fellowship Team has planned an afternoon/evening of games for the church family. Come whenever it suits you. Please sign up if you plan on staying for the meal. If you are willing to contribute to our supper, please indicate on the signup list as well. Looking forward to having a good time socializing.
- Sat. Feb. 11, 8:30 am (registration begins at 8:15). Wilmot Women’s Cluster Breakfast at Hillcrest MC. Poster, sign up sheet and list for Shoe boxes is on bulletin board. All women are invited!
- Wed. Feb. 1, 9 am – 3 pm. Nith Valley Sewing Circle.
- Sat. Feb. 4, 7:15 pm. Youth Event at The Ultimate Escape. Cost is \$21.50. Please RSVP to Stacey
- Sat. Mar. 4, 10:00 am. Women’s Retreat at Nith Valley. Save the date!
- Sat. June 3. Nith Valley Blue Jays bus trip to Toronto. Save the date! (Questions? Talk to Dan Cressman.)

HOLD THE DATE:

What: Nith Valley Church Retreat
 When: Sept 29th – Oct 1st
 Where: Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp
 If you are feeling called to help plan this weekend and/or have an idea for theme and Speaker, please speak with Matthew in January.

Help Needed:

Sewing circle needs some blocks sewn up for comforter tops by the end of Jan. If you are willing to do some sewing talk to Lorrie Koch about block bundles ready for sewing.

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Shortfall	\$14,375.15

Please help us meet our budget obligations by the time our fiscal year ends on January 31.

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Community Events:

- Sun. Feb. 12, 7 pm. Hymn Sing with the Menno Singers family of choirs at W-K United Mennonite Church. Admission by donation
- Mon. Feb. 20, 10 am – 3:30 pm. Hidden Acres is offering many free activities for Family Day. Hot lunch available for \$3 per person, or bring your own. RSVP required. Call 519-625-8602, or email info@hiddenacres.ca

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 Sun. Feb. 5, 2 pm. Community Hymn Sing

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