

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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Music Leader: Bonnie Stemmler

Speaker: Hendrike Isert Bender

Gather to Worship

Prelude

Welcome

Time of Anticipation

Call to Worship

Invocation

Hymn # 9 (green)Come, now is the time to worship

Hymn # 106 (green)Just a closer walk with thee

Hearing God’s Word

Children’s Storyled by Hendrike Isert Bender

Hymn # 40 (duotang)The Summons

Scripture ReadingJames 4: 1-10

Sermon’Friendship with God and world’

Time of Reflection

Hymn # 389 (blue)Take my life

Turn to Jesus

Offering

Announcements

Prayer of the Church

Hymn # 569 (blue)Day by day, dear Lord

Go with the Spirit

Benediction

Postlude

Next Sunday – July 30

Speaker: Matthew Isert Bender

Music Leader: Susan Cressman

Children’s Story Leader: Matthew Isert Bender

Food Volunteer: Jeannette Cressman

Coffee/Juice Prep: Matthew Isert Bender

Clean Up: (volunteer needed)

Nith Valley Events:

- Mon. July 24, 6-8 pm. Family Campfire at Dan & Kathryn Cressman’s (966825 Oxford Waterloo Rd, Plattsville). Hot dogs for roasting and drinks provided. You are welcome to bring a snack to share. Don’t forget a lawn chair! (This will be a weekly event. Come as often as it works for you!)
- Sat. July 29, 8 pm. Outdoor Family Movie night at Hillcrest Mennonite Church. Bring a lawn chair and finger foods/snack foods to share. Cold drinks will be provided. (If it rains, we’ll watch the movie inside.)

From Fellowship Ministry Team:

Over the summer months, the services at our church will be held in the basement. The Fellowship & Worship Teams would like to offer refreshments prior to the service for these Sundays. A sign up list is posted so you can help out with this, i.e. supply refreshments (muffins, cookies and/or fruit suggested), prepare drinks, kitchen cleanup. There are still spots available (July 30, Aug 13, Aug 20), so please sign up!

Nith Valley Summer Book Club. We are inviting women to read "The Fitting Room: Putting on the Character of Christ" by Kelly Minter which will be discussed on July 26 over supper and/or "The Way of Letting Go: One woman's walk toward Forgiveness" by Wilma Derksen which will be discussed on August 23 over supper. Both books are available on Amazon and we invite people to purchase them in their own.

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In preparation for the retreat, you are invited to read basic descriptions of the Nine personality types outlined by the Enneagram. You don't need to know for sure what type you are, but it may be helpful to come with 2 or 3 of the descriptions with which you most identify. A short description is digitally available for each type attached to this email and/or printed copies are available at church. If you wish to do more reading in advance of the retreat you can visit www.enneagraminstitute.com/type-descriptions

If you have any questions feel free to talk with Matthew, Kathryn or Jackie.

Community Events:

- Sun. Sept. 10. 70th Anniversary Celebration at Erie View Mennonite Church. Service at 10:00, light lunch to follow. For more info, call 519-900-1987 or email ptwarner@gmail.com

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