

**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:** Ruth Cressman

**Pianist:** Janna Lynn Cressman **Chorister:** Lois Cressman

**Speaker:** Greg Yantzi

**Gather to Worship**

- Prelude
- Time of Anticipation
- Welcome
- Call to Worship
- Invocation

**Hearing God’s Word**

- Hymn # 328 (blue) .....O God, our help in ages past
- Hymn # 327 (blue) .....Great is thy faithfulness
- Children’s Story .....led by Stacey Keller
- Scripture Reading .....Ephesians 4:17-5:2
- Hymn # 511 (blue) .....God, who touches earth
- Sermon ... ‘The 3 Rs of Faith & Life: Review, Recommit, Renewal’

**Turning to Jesus**

- Hymn # 505 (blue) .....I am thine, O Lord
- Hymn # 392 (blue) .....Heart and mind, possessions, Lord
- Offering
- Announcements
- Sharing Time and Prayer of the Church
- Hymn # 363 .....Renew your church

**Go With the Spirit**

- Benediction
- Time of Reflection
- Postlude

**Sunday School Class**

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| 1. Preschool & Kindergarten | Downstairs      |
| 2. Primary Class (gr. 1-5)  | Downstairs      |
| 3. Junior Class (gr. 6-12)  | Balcony         |
| 4. Adult Discussion Class   | Downstairs Hall |
- Coffee/Juice Prep: Matthew & Faith Cressman  
Clean up: Sander & Shannon Vosters

**Next Sunday – January 20**

- Worship Leader: Lorrie Koch Speaker: Greg Yantzi  
Pianist: Susan Cressman Chorister: Terry Keller  
Children’s Story Leader: Stacey Keller  
Coffee/Juice Prep: Keith & Candice Zehr Clean up: Gabrielle Paff

**Nith Valley Events:**

- Fri, Jan. 18, 6-8 pm. Gym night at Bethel Church in New Dundee.
- Sat. Feb. 9. Nith Valley is hosting the annual Mennonite Women of Wilmot cluster winter breakfast. Cost is \$10. Special music by Lifted Voices; project – donations to the Wilmot Family Resource Centre. See bulletin board for poster and sign up sheet. Please sign up by Feb. 4.
- Sun. Feb. 24, 2 pm. Sleigh Ride at Riverbend Acres, Bright. We have booked two sleighs (12 adults + children per sleigh), drinks/washrooms available. Following the sleigh ride, we can interact with their farm animals in the barn. We will collect donations at the farm to cover our fee. Please sign up if interested.
- Fri. Apr. 26 & Sat. Apr. 27. MCEC Annual Church Gathering: Deepening our Relationship with God, with speaker April Yamasaki; at Steinmann Mennonite Church.

**From Fellowship Ministry Team:**  
There will be a Men's Breakfast in February - restaurant breakfast followed by a tour of Kraehling antique tractors, St. Agatha. Saturday date to be confirmed.

### **Financial Update:**

Budget givings to Jan 6/19	\$140,161.18
100% of 2018/19 Budget	\$142,650.00
Shortfall	\$2,488.82

Remember that our fiscal year end is January 31/19 so we have 3 weeks to meet the budget. Thanks to everybody for their large contributions in December, which got us caught up to date and erased most of our shortfall.

### **From PCRC Ministry Team:**

Coming sometime in the new year Greg Yantzi (interim pastor) will plan to meet with each family unit. Here are some questions to ponder or take notes on in preparation for this:

- \*When do you feel closest to God or when are you at peace in your life?
- \*What helps your faith to feel real?
- \*What is one thing you love about Nith Valley currently?
- \*What is one thing you would like to see in the future that is different?
- \*What does the physical building and meeting place mean to you and your family?
- \*What do you think is God's Vision for Nith Valley 5 years or 10 years from now?
- \*Or, if we were just starting Nith Valley as a church, what would it look like? Where would we meet? What would worship services look like? What programs/activities would there be?

Please speak to anyone on the PCRC ministry team (Greg, Jackie, Janet, Brenda, Lyle & Dan) with your questions/comments or suggestions.

### **Contact information update:**

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### **Community Events:**

- Sat. Jan. 19, 10:00 am–1:00 pm. Seedy Saturday at the New Hamburg and Wellesley branches of the Region of Waterloo Library. Hear about our new Seed Library and learn from master gardeners (speaking at 11:00).
- Sat. Feb. 9, 7:30 pm. Join Menno Singers ( with conductor Brandon Leis) for a concert entitled 'Emancipation' (Trillium Lutheran, 22 Willow St, Waterloo), featuring the Laurier Percussion Ensemble. Music will include Songs of freedom from South Africa and around the world. Tickets are \$20 per adult, \$5 per child/student. They can be purchased from choristers, at the door and online at [www.mennosingers.com](http://www.mennosingers.com).

### **From Menno Singers:**

We invite all singers to join Mennonite Mass Choir in a performance of Mendelssohn's Hymn of Praise on Saturday, May 4 (St Peter's Lutheran Church, Kitchener) with Waterloo Chamber Players and soloists Bethany Horst, Julie Ludwig and Adam Luther. Rehearsals are Monday evenings at 7:30pm at First Mennonite Church (800 King St E., Kitchener), beginning on March 11. You can register to sing at [www.mennosingers.com](http://www.mennosingers.com).