

## 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:** Glen Cressman

**Pianist:** Bethany Ruby

**Chorister:** Terry Keller

**Speaker:** Greg Yantzi

### Gather to Worship

Prelude

Time of Anticipation

Welcome

Call to Worship

Invocation

### Hearing God's Word

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

Hymn # 113 (purple) .....I will stand in the congregation

Children's Story .....led by Doris Brubacher

Scripture Reading .....Ephesians 4: 1-6; 11-16

Hymn # 304 (blue) .....There are many gifts

Sermon ..... 'Stretched beyond our limits'

### Turning to Jesus

Hymn # 39 (purple) .....Will you come and follow me

Hymn # 56 (green) .....Make me a channel of your peace

Offering

Announcements

Sharing Time and Prayer of the Church

Hymn # 14 (green) .....Lord Jesus, you shall be my song

### Go With the Spirit

Benediction

Time of Reflection

Postlude

### Sunday School Class

1. Preschool & Kindergarten

2. Primary Class (gr. 1-5)

3. Junior Class (gr. 6-12)

4. Congregational Meeting

Coffee/Juice Prep: Karen Bearinger

Clean up: Dennis & Bonnie Stemmler

### Location

Downstairs

Downstairs

Balcony

Downstairs Hall

### Next Sunday – February

Worship Leader: Kathryn Cressman

Pianist: Bonnie Stemmler

Chorister: Jeannette Cressman

Children's Story Leader: Carolyn O'Krafka

Coffee/Juice Prep: Kathryn Cressman

Clean up: Wayne & Lynda Eckstein

### Nith Valley Events:

- Sun. Feb. 3. First Sunday groups.
- 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.
- Sat. March 23. Save the date! Women's Retreat at Nith Valley. Christa Bender will share her experiences of teaching abroad. More details to follow.
- 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 March - breakfast at the Old Country Restaurant, followed by a tour of Vernon Erb's antique farm equipment. Saturday date to be confirmed.

### **Financial Update:**

Budget givings to Jan 20/19	\$145,356.18
100% of 2018/19 Budget	\$142,650.00
Surplus Givings	\$2,706.18

Thank you to everybody for their offerings this fiscal year that allowed our givings to meet the current budget. It was an interesting year for our budget and there was some doubt as to our ability to make budget givings. We will continue to be challenged during the 2019/20 fiscal year. Thank you again from Andy and all of church council.

### **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.

### **Community Events:**

- 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).
- Mon. Feb. 18, 10:00 am – 3:30 pm. Family Day Open House at Hidden Acres. Join us for a free day of indoor and outdoor activities. Hot lunch available at 12:00 (\$3/person), or bring a bagged lunch. Bring your own outdoor equipment and indoor shoes. Donations toward helping children attend summer camp are welcome. Reserve your place by calling 519-625-8602 or email [info@hiddenacres.ca](mailto:info@hiddenacres.ca)