

Welcome to Nith Valley Mennonite Church

People who love God with all our being and love others as ourselves!

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A Community of God's People

Gather to Worship

Prelude
Time of Anticipation
Welcome
Opening Prayer

Hearing God's Word

Hymn # 63 (blue).....Praise, my soul, the God of heaven
Children's Story
Hymn # 401 (blue).....This little light of mine
Hymn # 402 (blue).....Christian, let your burning light
Scripture ReadingMatthew 5:13-16
Sermon 'A Community of God's People'
Hymn # 226 (blue).....You are salt for the earth

Turning to Jesus

Offering
Announcements
Sharing Time and Prayer of the Church

Go With the Spirit

Hymn # 76 (green)The Lord bless you and keep you
Benediction
Time of Reflection
Postlude

There will be no Sunday school classes today. Everyone is invited to the basement for refreshments and fellowship.

Worship Leader: Tammy Shantz

Speaker: Greg Yantzi

Pianist: Susan Cressman

Chorister: Jeannette Cressman

Children's Story Leader: Janna Lynn Cressman

Next Sunday – May 26 A Global Body

Worship Leader: Ruth Cressman

Speaker: Greg Yantzi

Pianist: Bonnie Stemmler

Chorister: Jeannette Cressman

Children's Story Leader: Stacey Keller

Coffee/Juice Prep: Kathryn Cressman

Clean up: Susan Hartzler

Nith Valley Events:

- Sun. June 2. First Sunday groups meet.
- Sun. June 9. Join us for a Blue Jays game at the Rogers' Centre. Tickets \$26 (kids), \$52 (adults), plus \$10 each for the bus. Bus will leave church after morning worship service. More details to follow. To sign up check with Dan or sign up sheet on bulletin board.
- Sun. June 16. Parent-Child Dedication.
- July 5-7: Camping at Hidden Acres with St. Agatha Mennonite Church. More details to follow. Speak to Keith Zehr to reserve your spot.

Community Events:

- Tues. June 11, 5:00-7:30. Hidden Acres Annual Chicken BBQ. Regular \$16. Small \$13. Pie auction during the evening as well. Please see Janet Cressman for tickets.

Wilmot Ignited Services for Summer 2019:

- Sun, June 30, 9:45 am at Wilmot Mennonite Church.
- Sun. Aug. 4, 10:00 am at St. Agatha Mennonite Church.
- Sun. Sept. 1, 10:00 am at Mannheim Mennonite Church.

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From PCR Ministry Team:

One of the preparation tasks for a pastoral search process is to update a congregational profile which helps describe who we are as a community of faith. Our next opportunity for group discussion will take place next Sunday, May 26, during the Sunday School hour. In preparation, please give some consideration to the following questions and come prepared to participate as we seek to better understand who we are as God's people.

- What is your view of the pastor's role in the church? Are there special gifts in ministry which you hope will be fulfilled? How do you expect the pastor to be a representative of the congregation beyond the congregation?
- Church morale: Assess the spiritual and emotional health of the congregation. How would you describe relationships among members? Is there openness to new ideas and ways of doing things?

If you are not able to participate or be present for this conversation, consider submitting your thoughts and responses to the church office over the next week or two. Your participation is valuable and needed to help with the future direction of our congregation!

From PCR Ministry Team:

Greg Yantzi (interim pastor) has begun meeting with family units. Please select a date & time through the google document or by speaking to Carolyn, or Greg directly. Here are some questions to ponder or take notes on in preparation for this:

- *When do you feel closest to God; 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.