

**WILMOT MENNONITE CHURCH**

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**January 15, 2023**

**He comes to us in all our distress**

Prelude

Sylvia Gallian

Welcome

Wolfgang Dreshke

Call to Worship

In crimson clothing you came, bringing the day of vengeance, the year of redemption.

**God has not forgotten you, O Jerusalem.**

O Lord, your compassion and kindness are for us, even in our distress.

**Even in suffering we remember your love.**

You have become fully human; you call us brothers and sisters. You, Lord, will gather your people again for the day of redemption.

***Let our repentance give you glory.***

***Let our praises give you joy, until you come again.***

Opening Prayer

Song VT 408 Crown Him With Many Crowns

Isaiah 63:7-9

Song VT 278 A Voice Was Heard in Ramah

Scripture Matthew 2:13-23

Song VT 794 If the War Goes on

Sermon

Susan Allison-Jones

Song of Response VT 797 We are People of God's Peace

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Song VT 243 Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Sending

Even for this has Christ come. May you go out into this suffering world with the comfort that Christ is present with us.

Postlude

**Advent Worship Services - Restoration is Near**

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Isaiah 63:7-9; Matthew 2-13-23

Jan 22 Follow Me

Isaiah 9:1-4, Psalm 27:1,4-9, Matthew 4:12-23

Jan 29 Blessed are they

Micah 6:1-8, Psalm 15, Matthew 5:1-12

## Upcoming Events

Tuesday Morning Quilting & Matt Weaving 9:00 am  
Tuesday Jan 17 Lunch 12 noon

## Birthdays:

Dave Bowman Jan 15  
Catherine Rudy Jan 18  
Jean Shantz Jan 19

## Prayer Requests:

Lois Lantz passed away Wednesday afternoon. Please keep George's family in your prayers as they grieve the loss of a special aunt and plan for the funeral.

Doris Duncan moved to Sunnyside Home on Franklin Street in Kitchener on Friday. Pray for Doris as she makes this transition.

## Congregational Notes:

Tuesday Lunch will be held this Tuesday at noon. Please sign the sheet on the foyer bulletin board if you wish to attend.

The Ministry Team invites members to take concerns directly to the team leader or staff person who has primary responsibility for that particular area of our church life.

Facilities, staff and overall concerns - John Good

Finances & Budget - Lia Fewkes

Worship and Formation - Lil Quanz, Ross Shantz,

Bonnie Lee Bowman & Susan Allison-Jones

Hospitality & Kitchen - Fern Good, Susan Wagler or  
Marcie Kastner

Administrative details (includes rentals) - Edna Gonzalez

Custodial concerns - Linda Cole

Pastoral care, Worship/Formation & Congregational life -  
Susan Allison- Jones  
Good Samaritan Funds - Ross Shantz, Sandra Bean,  
Ken Quanz & Susan Allison-Jones

## Beyond The Congregation:

### Debt Smarts Free workshop

In response to the growing pressure of increased borrowing costs and the rapidly rising cost of living on households, Steinmann Mennonite Church is sponsoring a community seminar resourced by Kindred Credit Union that will include aspects of navigating debt and living costs as well as Q&A. Thurs., Jan 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the gymnasium. Live Streaming will be available at <https://smchurch.ca/livestream-recordings/>

### NHMRS Feature Quilt Reveal

*January 23 at 9:30 am at 50 Kent Ave, Kitchener or Online*  
Each year, a talented individual or team creates the feature quilt for the New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale. Feature quilts have depicted historical churches, the play of colour and light across fabric and a journey through Africa, among other innovative designs. On January 23, the curtain will be removed and the 2023 feature quilt will be revealed. Go to [mcco.ca/events](http://mcco.ca/events) for more info.

### Menno Singers and artistic director Brandon Leis

present a new composition by local composer Justin LaPierre, 'Messe de Sainte Anne ', a weaving together of Québécois hymns and folk music, at St Matthews Lutheran Church (54 Benton St, Kitchener) at 7:30pm on Saturday, February 4. \$25 Adults. \$5 Children/Students. [www.mennosingers.com](http://www.mennosingers.com)

**Ministry Team Leaders:**

Ministry Coordinator & Facilities – John Good

Worship and Formation – Lil Quanz

Fellowship – Fern Good, Marcia Kastner, Susan Wagler

Pastoral Care, Missions and Service - All members

Member at Large (Ministry Team) - Ross Shantz

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**To Book the Church** call the Church Office @ 519-634-5030.

**Church Office Hours:** Edna will be in the office Tuesday and Thursday (9:30- 1:30). Please have all bulletin announcements in no later than Wednesday..

**Protocols** We wish to create a safe environment for people to gather together in our building. We invite all to enter into this new way of being community together with gratitude to our God that we can adapt to new ways of being a faithful community. We invite you to enter into the space in ways that you are comfortable with and that respect others. If you have concerns please talk to a member of the protocol committee.