

**WILMOT MENNONITE CHURCH**

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**March 12 , 2023**

**Shaped Through Thirst**

Pianist Grant Movold

Welcome Lil Quanz

**We Gather**

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Come, let us bow down in worship.

**Let us kneel before the Lord our maker;**

for the Lord is our God,

**we are the people of God's pasture,  
we are the flock under God's care.**

Song VT 101 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns on High

Psalm 95

**Confession**

Lord, we long for living water. We thirst for life.  
And yet  
we have drunk deeply of resentment;  
we have savored self-centeredness.  
We confess to the Lord . . .

(silent prayer)

Today, O God, let us hear your voice.

**Give us this living water  
so we may never thirst again. Amen.**

Song VT 332 In Christ Alone

**We Hear God's Word**

Scripture Exodus 17:1-7; John 4:5-42

Song HWB 495 O Let All Who Thirst

Sermon Susan Allison Jones

**We Respond**

Song of Response VT 703 Rain Down

Testimony

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Song VT 832 The Lord Lift You Up

## Benediction

Like water poured out on a thirsty land,  
**may the Lord pour out the Holy Spirit on us.**  
May we blossom with new life.  
**May we bring refreshment and joy to others.**

Postlude

## Lenten Worship Services - Created in the Image of God, Shaped by Jesus.

- Mar 12 Shaped through thirst Susan Allison-Jones  
Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; John 4:5-42
- Mar 19 Called to the light Susan Allison-Jones  
Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41
- Mar 26 Called to life Bob Thaler  
Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130; John 11:1-45
- Apr 02 Palm Sunday: Called to Worship Susan Allison-Jones  
Psalm 100; Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 21:1-11

## Upcoming Events

Tuesday Morning Quilting & Matt Weaving 9:00 am  
Sunday Morning Formation Hour 11:15 am  
Tues. March 14 Tuesday lunch 12:00 noon  
Sat. March 18 Meeting with Threshold Commons 9:30 am  
Next team Leaders Meeting May 04  
Semi-Annual Meeting June 04

## Birthdays:

Gerald Good March 16

## Prayer Requests:

Keep Edna Gonzalez in your prayers as she faces the challenges of parenting.

Pray for wisdom, creativity and the ability to listen well to each other as members meet with Threshold Commons this Saturday.

## Congregational Notes:

Please sign up for the Tuesday lunch. (Foyer bulletin board.)

The Ministry Team has invited Jeff and Jan Steckley (Threshold Commons) to help us discern present and future possibilities for our church and ministries. The initial conversation will happen on Saturday, March 18th at 9:30 am here at the church. Anyone interested in being part of this conversation is invited to attend. See bulletin insert for more information.

Correction Linda Cole's phone number is 548 994 4312

Nith Valley Mennonite Church invites us to a comforter knotting bliz at their church next Saturday, March 18th 1-5 pm.

All participants of Wilmot may receive a copy of the devotional REJOICE. If you are not currently receiving it and would like to or need more information talk to Susan. There are a few copies on the table in the lobby if you would want one.

## Beyond The Congregation:

**Rockway Mennonite Collegiate** invites you to register today for their 28th Annual Golf Classic, happening on Monday, May 29 at Grey Silo Golf Club. Help us get 100 golfers! Register as a single, pair or get a team of 4 together. Details can be found at [www.rockway.ca/golf](http://www.rockway.ca/golf)

### Free Film Screening

Please note the **free screening of "Colonization Road"** - an exploration of the effects of road building by settlers on Indigenous land and culture - has been rescheduled to **Friday, March 31st, 2023, 7 p.m. at Zion United Church**. The church requires that face masks be worn. Registration is not required.

**Menno Singers and artistic director Brandon Leis** present Rachmaninoff's All Night Vigil (Vespers) at Trillium Lutheran Church (22 Willow, Waterloo) on Sat, April 1 at 7:30pm. \$25 Adults. \$5 Children/Students. Tickets available on-line or at the door (cash or credit) [www.mennosingers.com](http://www.mennosingers.com)

**Wilmot Death Café** - Our lives are filled with death and grief all around us. Having open, honest and safe conversations about death, helps us to live well. The next gathering of the Wilmot Death Café will take place on Wednesday, March 15 from 7-8:30 pm. This monthly Zoom gathering is designed to be a safe space where we will have informal conversation about our experiences with death and learn from one another about how to live well. Talking about death and our immortality empowers us to not just survive, but thrive! Go to <https://deathcafe.com/what/> for more information. If you have additional questions or to register (needed in order to receive the zoom connection details), contact Greg Yantzi ([pastor@nithvalleymennonite.com](mailto:pastor@nithvalleymennonite.com)).

Rockway Mennonite Collegiate and MCC Indigenous Neighbours Program invite you to an event at Rockway on March 29, featuring The Landed Buggy Art Exhibit. Visit [www.rockway.ca](http://www.rockway.ca) for more details

### 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.