WILMOT MENNONITE CHURCH

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August 17, 2025 Paul in Ephesus

Prelude Dephine Schwartzentruber

Welcome Anne Thaler

Do you remember the first love you had for Jesus? Perhaps you were a child in Sunday School; maybe you went to a Revival meeting. Maybe you were part of a youth group, maybe one day, you just opened your Bible. But there he was, as real as day, and you loved him. What then? You wanted to gather together with others who knew this love, to sing with them, pray with them, live with them. Nothing else was important. Do you remember back then? This morning, that same Jesus has gathered you all together and he has caught you up in that first love. This morning, we sing together, pray together, live together. Caught up in his Spirit, turn to each other and offer this love. Say to one another: The peace of Christ be with you. *Rev. 2: 1-7*

Call to Worship Is 61: 1-3, 10-11

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor.

He has sent me to bind up the broken hearted and proclaim freedom for the captives.

Proclaim the year of the Lord's favour and announce the defeat of his enemies.

Comfort all those who mourn and provide for those in Zion who are grieving.

Bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes. Anoint them with gladness instead of mourning, clothe them in praise instead of despair.

We are called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord. We are for the display of his splendour.

I delight greatly in the Lord. My soul rejoices in my God.

For as the soil makes the young plant come up, so the Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up among us.

Opening Prayer

Song Guide Me. O Thou Great Jehovah VT 606

Psalm 24 O'Derald Gingerich

Song When Peace Like A River VT 617

Song A Wonderful Saviour is Jesus VT 626

Scripture Acts 19: 1-22

Sermon Bob Thaler

Song of Response My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less VT 621

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Song Be Thou My Vision VT 549

Sending Ephesians 6: 13-18

Put on the full armour of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

Let us stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled round our waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and our feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.

In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, let us be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.

Postlude

Upcoming Worship Services

Aug 24 The Council of Jerusalem: Conflict About Culture

Acts 15 Micah Peters Unrah

Aug 31 Wilmot Ignited at St. Agatha

Birthdays

Jean Schwartzentruber August 23

Prayer Requests

Give thanks for Silvia Gallian who had a successful surgery. Pray for her recovery. Pray for Stan and their family as they support their parents.

Congregational Notes

Susan will be on holiday until Sept 1. For pastoral care Please contact Lil Quanz, John Good, or Ross Shantz.

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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