

# WILMOT MENNONITE CHURCH

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The Council of Jerusalem - Conflict About Culture

Prelude Sara Roth

Welcome Ross Shantz

Call to Worship

In the name of God,  
**who created us,**  
**who holds us and the whole world in his hands.**

In the name of the Son  
**who came into the world,**  
**who reconciles us with God.**

In the name of the Holy Spirit  
**who fills us with eternal life,**  
**who links us with all Christians**  
**and incites us to peace,**  
**we come together to offer our thanks and praise.**  
~ from the Church of Scotland's **Starters for Sunday**, from the Very Rev.  
Dr. Sheilagh Kesting.

Opening Prayer Holy God you call us together VT 857

Song God of Grace and God of Glory VT 716

Psalm Acts 28:1-2, 6-9

Song Marvellous Grace of Our Loving Lord HWB 151

Responsive Reading VT 786

Litany You Call us to be One

God who is One, You call us to be one,  
**May we be one with all who are made in Your image.**  
God who is Three, You call us to be community,  
**May we find community with all who are called by Your name.**  
God who calls us all by Your name,  
**May we find our place in Your eternal family.**

God Almighty,  
today by the power of Your spirit we unite in prayer,  
**We unite with all our sisters and brothers in Christ.**  
We unite with sisters and brothers  
from all Christian churches and denominations,  
**We unite with all who are joined by the holy spirit of God.**  
We unite with followers from every church and congregation,  
**We unite with God's sons and daughters**  
**from every creed and culture.**

~ from the Lenten series **Journey into Wholeness** written by  
Christine Sine. Published in 2009 by Mustard Seed Associates.

Song We are One in the Spirit VT 387

Sermon & Scripture Acts 15:1-35  
Micah Peters Unrah

Song of Response This is My Song VT 710

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

## Announcements

Song Amazing Grace! VT 163

Sending (based on Hebrews 12: 1-2)

Sisters and brothers, since we stand  
surrounded by all those who have gone before,  
an enormous cloud of witnesses,  
let us drop every extra weight,  
every sin that clings to us and slackens our pace,  
and let us run with endurance the long race set before us.

Stay focused on Jesus,  
who designed and perfected our faith.  
He endured the cross  
and ignored the shame of that death  
because He focused on the joy that was set before Him;  
and now He is seated beside God on the throne,  
a place of honour.

In the same way,  
let us also focus on the race ahead.  
Go into the days of this week  
strong in the presence of the Holy Spirit,  
and confident that God goes with you.

## Postlude

## Upcoming Worship Services

Aug 31 Wilmot Ignited at St. Agatha at 10:00.

Sep 7 The Life God Intends  
Genesis 1:1-2:4

Sept 14 Congregational Meeting (after worship)

## Birthdays

Nevin Gingerich      August 29

Mary Gingerich August 29

## Prayer Requests

**The MCEC community of congregations.** This week we are praying for Victory Christ's Ambassadors Church. Bereket Mekonnen, Esayas Desta and Samuel Lemma provide pastoral leadership for this community. Pray for this community in Scarborough, ON who are committed to discipleship, renewal and following Jesus Christ in all aspects of life.

## Congregational Notes

Nevin & Wanda Gingerich **New email address:**  
elainewanda214@gmail.com

Wilmot Ignited Worship August 31st at 10:00 at St. Agatha Mennonite Church.

Susan is on holiday until Sept 1. For pastoral care please contact Lil Quanz, John Good, or Ross Shantz.

Wolfgang and Meritta invite us to join them on Sunday, September 14th for a celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. A celebration and lunch will take place after the worship service in the basement. Best wishes only.

## Beyond the Congregation

**Music for MCC Meat Cannery, Sunday, September 21, 3 pm,**  
Steinmann Mennonite Church sanctuary. A variety of instrumental  
and vocal music will be offered by guest musicians, Jeff, Ev, &  
LuAnn from Bluffton, Ohio as well as local guitarist, John Wiebe.  
All donations will go to support the new meat cannery.