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Mother's Day

Prelude Sharon Heipel

Welcome Bonnie Lee Bowman

Call to Worship (based on themes from Psalm 139)

Opening Prayer

~ written by Carol Penner, and posted on **Leading in Worship**

Song All People That on Earth Do Dwell VT 5

Scripture Psalm 139:1-18, 23-24

Mother's Day Thoughts Susan Allison Jones

To the mothers we hold so dear
With grateful hearts we bring
Mom's who loved us and taught us well
Praise for them now we sing
Teaching us to pray
Showing us each day
How to be kind, joy we can find
following Jesus' way.
Thank you we say
This special day
God bless you on Mother's Day

written by Sharon Heipel sung to Wonderful Words of Life

Contemporary Hymn for Mother's Day

God of the Women (sung to Be Thou My Vision)

God of the women who answered your call,
Trusting your promises, giving their all,
Women like Sarah and Hannah and Ruth —
Give us their courage to live in your truth.

God of the women who walked Jesus' Way,
Giving their resources, learning to pray,
Mary, Joanna, Susanna, and more —
May we give freely as they did before.

God of the women long put to the test,
Left out of stories, forgotten, oppressed,
Quietly asking: "Who smiled at my birth?" —
In Jesus' dying you show us our worth.

God of the women who ran from the tomb,
Prayed with the others in that upper room,
Then felt your Spirit on Pentecost Day —
May we so gladly proclaim you today.

O God of Phoebe and ministers all,
May we be joyful in answering your call.
Give us the strength of your Spirit so near
That we may share in your ministry here.

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Scripture 1 Peter 3:14 Colossians 1:24 Romans 5:3-4
1 Peter 2:19-21

Song True Evangelical Faith

Sermon Video Greg Yanzi

Song The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound VT 392

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Song God Be with You Till We Meet Again VT 840

Sending

Postlude

Upcoming Worship Services

May 18 Wilmot Ignited Worship Service
at Hillcrest Mennonite Church 9:45 am

May 25 Living out the Schleithem Confession
Hendrike Isert Bender

Upcoming Events

May 16 Alpha 10 am
May 13 Tuesday Lunch - cancelled
May 20 Girls Club
June 8 Semi Annual Meeting

Prayer Requests

Pray for the family of Doris Duncan as they grieve their loss and as they prepare to celebrate her life on Tuesday, May 13. Give thanks for Doris' long life and the joy and laughter she brought to many.

Please continue to pray for our members who are undergoing treatment for cancer: Pat Roi, Susan Wagler and Pat Jantzi.

Pray for Michael and Lia Fewkes and their family as they grieve the unexpected loss of Jason. Pray for strength as they face the challenges of each day, wisdom as they move forward with the things that need to be done and continued faith that God is present with them in their grief.

Please pray for the **MCEC community of congregations**. This week we are praying for **Stirling Avenue Mennonite Church**. Kim Penner, Glenda Ribey Rozomiak, Laura Enns, and Brandon Leis provide leadership for this congregation. Pray for this community who this year continue to celebrate God's presence at and through Stirling in recognition of the 100th anniversary of their building on Stirling Avenue in Kitchener.

Pray for **Laura Rodriguez-Reyes** as she prepares to represent MCEC at the MWC Global Youth Summit in Germany and Anabaptist 500 celebrations in Switzerland. God, grant her eyes to see with the lens of peace and justice, a heart open to connection, and clarity of purpose as she steps into these global gatherings. Bless her with good health, courage, and joy along the journey. May she carry the voices of many with her and return with new wisdom, deepened friendships, and renewed strength for the road ahead.

Congregational Notes

Thank you to the Church Family for the beautiful tulips at Easter. Your thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated. Bob and Pat

Camping Season is coming soon. This year some of ours will be attending camps at Hidden Acres. We want to help support them as well as support a mom and child for the Single Mom's camp. Help us raise \$2,000 to support our campers as well as subsidize the cost of a single mom and child.

Beyond The Congregation

Silver Lake Mennonite Camp (slmc.ca)

Grand Paddle & Hike (May 9-11): It's not too late to join us for the hike or paddle on Saturday! Bring your family and friends out to Silver Lake's annual fundraiser event. Visit our webpage to create a team or to make a donation...

slmc.ca/retreats/paddle-the-grand

Students of Rockway Mennonite Collegiate invite you to their Spring Concert: *Be Our Guest*. Join us Wednesday, May 21 at 7 pm for an evening of music performed by our grade 7 - 12 ensembles. All are welcome. A free-will offering will be taken to support music at Rockway. For more info: rockway.ca/events

Join us at the 59th New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale May 30-31 at the New Hamburg Fairgrounds. Get ready for a weekend of excitement at the New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale! Join us for a fantastic time filled with fun, food and the chance to reconnect with old friends while making new ones. Mark your calendars for Friday evening and Saturday as we kick off the festivities! Don't let this chance slip by to immerse yourself in community spirit and lend your support to MCC. Visit nhmrs.com for all the details. See you there!

Run for Relief

Saturday, May 31 at 8 a.m. | New Hamburg Fairgrounds
Lace up your shoes and get ready to **Run for Relief!** Not a runner? Walkers are also welcome! All participants are invited to gather at the New Hamburg Fairgrounds at 8 a.m. For more info and to register, visit nhmrs.com/run-for-relief.

Hidden Acres is hosting our 58th Annual Chicken BBQ & 17th Annual Pie Auction Fundraiser on Tues, June 10 from 5 - 7 pm. Come and enjoy our delicious chicken dinner that thousands of people have come to know and love. Along with the chicken, your meal includes potato salad, coleslaw, veggies, pickles, a fresh roll, chips and an apple or fresh baked apple fritter. \$21 - 1 Piece Meal / \$25 - 2 Piece Meal
Pie Auction will happen during the meal.
Please visit hiddenacres.ca for more details and to order your tickets. Tickets need to be purchased in advance.

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 Thursdays. Please have all bulletin announcements in no later than Wednesday.