

## WILMOT MENNONITE CHURCH

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**March 29, 2026**

### **Palm Sunday: The Crucified Messiah**

Prelude Doris Martin

#### **We Gather**

Song Holy Lord VT 314

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer Susan Allison-Jones

Humble and riding on a donkey,

**we greet you;**

Acclaimed by crowds and caroled by children,

**we cheer you;**

moving from the peace of the countryside to the corridors of power,

**we salute you: Christ our Lord.**

You are giving the beast of burden

a new dignity;

**you are giving majesty**

**a new face;**

you are giving those who long for redemption

a new song to sing.

With them, with heart and voice, we shout:

**Hosanna!**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!**

*—from Common Order, Panel on Worship, Church of Scotland, 1994.*

Song Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

VT 313

#### **We Hear God's Word**

Scripture John 12:12-17 Video Crossroads Kids' Club

Sermon Part 1 Glyn Jones

#### **We Respond**

Palm Sunday Parade

written by Roddy Hamilton, and posted on Mucky Paws.

<http://www.nkchurch.org.uk/index.php/mucky-paws>

Song Ride On, Ride On in Majesty VT 316

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Announcements

#### **We Hear God's Word**

Scripture John 19:16-22

Confessional Poem

Jesus, this story

is not the one we expected.

We feel for your disciples,

so happy to proclaim you king

as you rode into Jerusalem.

We too have been eager to follow,

sure about what that will mean,

confident things will turn out well.

We feel for your disciples

devastated at your crucifixion.

When we are no longer sure about anything.

When everything we thought we had and knew  
falls apart.

“Hosanna!” we sang back then, “Save us!”  
“Hosanna!” we cry now, “God, please!”  
And though the story has shifted,  
    you do save.  
You have.  
You will.  
    You are.

Song Ah, Holy Jesus VT 330

Sermon Part 2 Glyn Jones

Song When I Survey the Wondrous Cross VT 323

Sending Blessing

As you go,  
may you listen for God in the discordant melodies  
    of your life,  
in the glittering sadness  
    of palm branches and the hosannas,  
the cry, “God save us,”  
mixed with the coming shouts of “Crucify him.”  
In the tension of this dissonance,  
may you go with Christ’s peace,  
to practice holy waiting and longing.

Postlude

## Upcoming Worship Services

Good Friday April 3 10 am at Mannheim Mennonite Church

Easter Sunday April 5 Easter: Death and Resurrection

John 20:1-18 (Psalm 118:21-19) Susan Allison Jones

April 12 Thomas: Doubting and Believing

John 20:19-31 (Psalm 145:13-21) Susan Allison Jones

## Upcoming Events

April 2 Bible Study at Hillcrest MC 7 pm

April 3 Good Friday Service at Mannheim MC 10 am

April 5 Easter Breakfast 9:00 am

## Birthdays

Bob Thaler April 4

## Prayer Requests

Please keep Pat & Mel Jantzi in your prayers as they grieve the death of Pat’s sister-in-law Bea Steckley. The funeral was on Friday at Preston Mennonite Church.

Keep members of our church who have lost a spouse in your prayers as they feel their absence during their Easter family celebrations.

Pray for all those affected by violence to find peace and for those who believe war is the answer to have their hearts opened to reimagining. Pray for the strength, hope, and boldness required in this moment to contribute to building a world that more closely resembles God’s loving vision for humanity.  
From MCC

Please pray for the MCEC community of congregations; this week we hold **Danforth Mennonite Church** in prayer. Pieter Niemeyer provides pastoral leadership for this congregation. Pray for this peace church on the Danforth.

## Congregational Notes

The flowers are in memory of Ralph Jantzi who died 34 years ago on Palm Sunday. Ralph was the husband of Barb Jantzi and a valued member of Wilmot.

Easter Breakfast April 5th If you would like to attend the Easter breakfast, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer. Breakfast to begin at 9:00.

Your friends at Mannheim Mennonite Church invite you to join us for Good Friday on April 3 at 10 a.m. We will observe communion together as well as hear the story of the Passion of the Christ in scripture and song. For those who are unable or prefer not to use the front steps, you are invited to drive around to the back where there is a ramp with access to the main floor. We look forward to worshipping together with you.

## Beyond The Congregation

**New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale Fundraising Dinner**  
**Monday, April 27 at 6 pm, Calvary United Church, 48 Hawkesville Rd, St. Jacobs NOB 2N0** More than just a meal, the NHMRS fundraising dinner is your chance to connect with the community and support the relief sale and MCC! Enjoy a delicious buffet dinner catered by Gracie's Country Oven and hear an update from MCC. Tickets are \$30 each and children aged 3-10 are only \$10! Donations will be gratefully accepted at the event in support of the relief sale. [Purchase your ticket here.](#)

**Calling all musicians!** *Saturday, May 30, 2026; New Hamburg Fairgrounds* If you have the gift of music and would like to share it with others for a good cause, we want to hear from you! The New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale is seeking musicians to enhance the ambience of the sale as patrons take in the atmosphere at this popular event. This opportunity is for 30-minute time slots between 7 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 30. Please contact [Lorieyantzi@outlook.com](mailto:Lorieyantzi@outlook.com) if you're interested in this volunteer opportunity.

**Silver Lake Mennonite Camp | [slmc.ca](http://slmc.ca)** Silver Lake is searching for volunteers to help for one week on the kitchen and maintenance teams! Each day includes a long break in the afternoon where you can enjoy all Silver Lake has to offer. For more information, visit [slmc.ca/volunteers](http://slmc.ca/volunteers)

**Ministry Team Leaders** Ross Shantz (chair), Fern Good,  
Florence Scheerer

**Finance** - Lia and Michael Fewkes

**Worship** - Bonnie Lee Bowman

**Facilities** - John Good

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