

Preston Mennonite Church

*Being transformed by and extending God's love
through worship, hospitality and service*

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Speak peace to our world

PRELUDE

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Welcome

Hymn: HWB 12

"Come, let us all unite to sing"

Gathering

(responsive—see back page)

Opening prayer

Psalm 85:8-13

"God moment"

Proclaiming

(responsive—see back page)

Hymn: Praise 412

"What a friend we have" (one of
Rose Lichty's favourites)

WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO ME?

Children's time

Gospel reading: Matthew 14:22-33

Hymn: STJ 18

"Over my head"

(additional verse: when I'm feeling frightened)

1 Kings 19:9-18

Hymn: STS 49

"I will come to you in the silence"

Message: "Hearing God's powerful words of peace in the silence"

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

Prayer of response: STS 196 "Spirit of truth"

Hymn: STJ 75 "Be still, God will fight your battles"

Invitation to offering

Offering prayer

Sharing time

Prayers of the people

SENDING

Announcements

Hymn: HWB 408 "O day of peace"

Sending (see back page)

POSTLUDE

CREDITS: Opening prayer, Invitation to the offering, Offering prayer, Prayers of the people (all adapted)—*Feasting on the Word Worship Companion Year A Volume 2, for August 13.*

Welcome to our visitors! We hope our time of worship has been an encouragement to you. Please sign our guest book in the front foyer! God bless you and we hope to see you again!

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP IN THE FOYER—ALL WELCOME!



**K-W Perimeter Cluster Hymn Sing Worship Service Sunday
September 3 at 10 am at St. Jacobs Mennonite Church.**

Join your sisters and brothers from our church cluster (Bloomingdale, Breslau, Preston, St. Jacobs, Wanner-Ayr works with their local community on Labour Day Sunday) for a worship service. All are invited to share in lunch with a main course and salads potluck. Dessert provided. Bring your own plates, utensils, and lawn chairs. ALL WELCOME!

WIDER CHURCH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

Pow Wow on Sat Aug 19 at Forbes Park in Hespeler from 10 am to 6 pm.

Langs is hosting Free Drop-In Community Dinners for the summer: Next one is August 22, 5:30 to 7:30 pm at Langs. Register: 519-653-1470 x 228 or drop in!

MEDA BBQ on Fri Aug 25 at 6 pm at Waterloo Park. Guest speakers Elaine Shantz and Miriam Turnbull. Adults \$25, child/students \$10. Bring chairs, plates and cutlery. RSVP by Aug 18 at www.meda.org/waterloo or 519-725-1633

SOSA (Single or Single again) is a small Christian singles group who meet for social get togethers. Corn & Wiener Roast on Sat Aug 26 at 7 pm, at 307 Maurice St. New Hamburg. Bring a lawn chair and food items to share. Questions: 519-662-2971

Cornfest Saturday Sept 9, 5:30 pm at Wanner Mennonite Church. Admission by donation (grocery or monetary) to Cambridge Self-Help Food Bank on site.

Lunch and Listen: Bring your lunch and listen to our guest speaker in the 50 Kent community room on Sept 13 at noon. Speakers James & Joan Alty will tell stories of MCC's relief, development and peace work in Southern Africa



Annual Chicken & Sausage BBQ at St. Jacob's Mennonite Church on Sat Sept 16 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. Adults \$18 and Children \$10. Tickets available at 519-664-2268 or at the door but advance ticket purchases encouraged. Take out is also available. More info www.sjmc.on.ca

Jim Reimer Memorial Bluegrass Concert, the award winning Canadian bluegrass band, Rescue Junction, with a special appearance from 5 on the Floor. Admission is free with donations to the Reimer Scholarship in Theological Studies. Sunday Sept 17 at 2:30 pm at Conrad Grebel Great Hall in Waterloo. www.grebel.ca/events

Peace Week - Will you play a part in peace? From Sept 17 to 23, you're invited to attend or host a peace-related initiative. Check out www.uwaterloo.ca/peace-week to learn more about how you can get involved.

Ride for Refuge is scheduled for Sept 30. It is a family friendly cycling/walking fundraiser that partners with MC Canada to help the displaced, vulnerable and exploited. Be a part of the "Mennonite Church Canada" team. Register at: www.mcco.ca/ride or contact Jason Martin at 226-747-1833

MC Canada Assembly Registration is open! You are invited to register for the October 13-15 special 2017 Assembly in Winnipeg: www.cvent.com/d/c5q8ft

Future Directions Update: Working Group Reports on various proposed re-organized ministries of MC Canada and area churches are now available at www.futuredirectionsmc.ca

STRONGER TOGETHER 2017

**Teaching by Six Nations people
August 14-16—at Six Nations Polytechnic;
Day rate is \$100/day & includes lunch.
Register with Scott Knarr 519-503-5756**

Tuesday theme: What justice looks like for all creation; the Great Law of Peace; modern court contexts.

Wednesday theme: Education for reconciliation—
Accompanied by a residential school survivor and intergenerational survivors of Canada's education system, participants will engage at the Mohawk Chapel, the Mohawk Institute and the Woodland Cultural Centre.

Thursday theme: Lessons from creation—Participants will visit the recently opened Longhouse, Kayanase ecological restoration facility, explore along the Grand River learning about natural medicines, and share in an intergenerational picnic near the Pauline Johnson National Historic Site.

Special Events that are free:

Tuesday, August 15, 7-9 pm—Arts Night which will include collaborating on the design of blocks for a quilt to represent FRIENDSHIP, PEACE & RESPECT. Claire will be driving there.

Thursday, August 17, 2-4 pm—an intergenerational tea at Chiefswood at Six Nations. Claire will be driving there.