

# Preston Mennonite Church

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

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## A tribute to those who give care

### **PRELUDE**

### **GATHERING TO WORSHIP A GOD WHO CARES FOR US!**

Welcome

Hymn: HWB 6      "Here in this place"

Psalm 67

Praising      (*responsive—see back page*)

Opening prayer

"God moment"

Hymn: HWB 592      "Love divine, all loves excelling"

### **WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO ME?**

Reading from the Hebrew scriptures: Isaiah 56:1-8

Praying      (*see back page*)

Gospel reading: Matthew 15: 21-28

Message: "Nevertheless, she persisted!"

### **WHAT AM I GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?**

Hymn: "You call us Lord to be" (*see insert*)

Invitation to offering

Offering prayer

**CARING ABOUT OUR CAREGIVERS**

Psalm 133

Four readings: Galatians 6:2; Luke 12:6-7; James 5:13-15; Matthew 11:28-30 -- from p. 104-105

Hymn: Praise 358 "God will take care of you"

Time of prayer for caregivers

Children's time

Washing of the hands ritual

Ending prayer

Sharing

Prayers of the people

**SENDING**

Announcements

Hymn: HWB 481 "O God, your constant care"

Sending: Psalm 67

**POSTLUDE**

Please prepare your hearts for Communion next Sunday!

*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!**



## WIDER CHURCH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Overdose Awareness Day:** Come to a free community BBQ!

On Aug 21 from 4-6 at Dickson Park in Cambridge and on Aug 27 from 12-2 at Victoria Park in Kitchener.

**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](http://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

**Ontario Mennonite Music Camp Final Concert** is on Aug 25 at 7 pm in the Great Hall at Conrad Grebel. A great night of musical entertainment. Free admission.

**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 Events:** Bring your lunch and listen to our guest speakers in the 50 Kent community room at noon. On Sept 13 speakers James & Joan Alty will tell stories of MCC's relief, development and peace work in Southern Africa. On Sept 26, MCC's refugee sponsorship team shares news and stories about the refugee sponsorship program and opportunities for churches, community groups, neighbourhood associations or groups of friends to get involved. More info at [www.mcco.ca/events](http://www.mcco.ca/events)

**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](http://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](http://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](http://www.uwaterloo.ca/peace-week) to learn more about how you can get involved.

**Call to Prayer**, a retreat to provide an opportunity to reflect on scripture and prayerfully move through the hours of your day. Thurs Sept 21 from 9 am to 3 pm at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp, facilitated by Alicia Buhler. Cost is \$25. Bring a bag lunch, journal, walking shoes and Bible. Register by Sept 16 at [mennospiritdir@gmail.com](mailto:mennospiritdir@gmail.com)

**Anna Magdalena Kokits**, award-winning Austrian pianist will play modern and classical pieces as part of her nation-wide tour on Fri Sept 29, at 7 pm at Conrad Grebel Chapel in Waterloo. Free admission, reception to follow, All welcome!

**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](http://www.mcco.ca/ride) or contact Jason Martin at 226-747-1833

**MCC Ontario Annual General Meeting** on Sat Sept 30 from 12-3 pm in the Community Room at 50 Kent Ave. Cath & Peter Woolner will join MCC Ontario staff to update you on MCC's work in Ontario and around the world. More info and to RSVP go to [www.mcco.ca/agm](http://www.mcco.ca/agm) or call 519-745-8458