

# Preston Mennonite Church

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

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## Mother's Day: Honouring our women and girls —gifted by God!

*Today there is no Children's Sunday School class.*

### **PRELUDE**

### **GATHERING TO WORSHIP**

Welcome

Hymn: STJ 27        "God of the Bible"

Gathering—Leader: Grace Kinsie

*(responsive--see back page)*

Opening prayer

Gospel reading: John 14:1-14

Prayer of response

Hymn: HWB 167    "For God so loved us"

### **GIVING GOD GLORY FOR OUR WOMEN AND THEIR GIFTS**

Community prayer: STS 180    "O God, the power of  
the powerless"

Introduction to mothering stories: Sandra Moreau

Mothering stories: Erin Panning

Maternal God Prayer

Hymn: HWB 482 "Mothering God, you gave me birth" (to the tune of #121 "Holy God, we praise thy name" without the last line repeated)

Mothering stories: Barbara Duncan

Special music on the ukelele: Faith Kinsie

Some Mother's Day humour: The Peacemakers

Children's time with Krista Kinsie

The Lord's Prayer—Krista and Grace Kinsie

Sharing other mothering stories: **Do you have one to share?**

Hymn: Praise 147 "A Christian home"

Prayer shawl for Werner Winkler—his upcoming knee replacement surgery is May 24

Hymn: HWB 511 "God, who touches earth"

Delegate report from Muriel Bechtel

Invitation to offering

Offering prayer (see back page)

#### **HONOURING ALL OUR WOMEN FOR THE GIFTS THEY SHARE**

Hymn: STJ 91 "Like a mother who has borne us"

The Worship Commission will be giving apples to all women and girls today to acknowledge the caring gifts that our women bring to our faith community. *The women will be asked to come forward if possible.*

Sharing our joys and sorrows and prayer requests

- For the final day of the Pilgrimage for Indigenous Rights in Ottawa, please pray that Canada would be moved to accept the **United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**. Only 4 countries objected to the Declaration, referred to as UNDRIP, when it was voted on September 13, 2007. They were Canada, the United States, Australia and New Zealand. All four have removed their objections, but have not accepted UNDRIP.

Prayer of the people  
Great Caregiver Prayer for Mother's Day—read by  
Dianne Winkler

**SENDING**

Announcements

Hymn: HWB 614 “In the bulb there is a flower”

Sending (see back page)

Join us for a special treat during coffee time. Elsie made Apple Squares,  
a special recipe from Claire’s mom!

**POSTLUDE**

CREDITS: Mothering God prayer, Great Caregiver Prayer for Mother's Day—  
Carol Penner’s website; Prayer of response, Invitation to the offering,  
Prayer of the people—*Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year A,*  
*Volume 1*; Mother’s Day humour--Billy D. Strayhorn, *I Go to Prepare a*  
*Place for You*; the prayer shawl was made by Gloria Wismer Cloutier.

**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!**

**MISSIONS**

**Claire, and her daughters Tonya and Wendy,** have been  
walking the final four days of the Pilgrimage for Indigenous  
Rights from Kanata to Ottawa, May 11-14. One of the  
reasons that we are walking in support of **UNDRIP** (United  
Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous People) is  
that **Canada has not accepted this document. They have  
only withdrawn their “objector status” to it.** The official  
Closing Ceremony is today at Ottawa Mennonite Church.  
Check out details of the pilgrimage at  
[www.facebook.com/pfirCanada/](http://www.facebook.com/pfirCanada/) Thank you for your prayers.

**Wilmot Mennonite Church** has asked us to save clean milk  
bags for making mats. Put in box in upper foyer.

## WIDER CHURCH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

**22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Rockway Golf Classic** is Wed May 17, a fun four person Scramble tournament at Willow Valley Golf Course. Golfers sign up then fundraise, proceeds benefit Tuition Assistance, helping students attend Rockway.

**MEDA Breakfast** on Thurs May 18 at 7:30 am at Stone Crock, St. Jacobs. Speakers are Doug & Jodie Hatlem. All are welcome!

**Cambridge Right to Life's Annual Coffee & Dessert Evening** on Thurs May 18 at the Pines. Dessert will be served at 7 pm. More info at [info@cambridgerighttolife.ca](mailto:info@cambridgerighttolife.ca)

**New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale** is Fri May 26 to Sat May 27. All proceeds go to relief through MCC. Come out and enjoy the many delicious foods (pancake/sausage breakfast, pork on a bun, donuts, tea balls, apple fritters, cream buns, strawberry pies just to name a few). There is also a craft tent, Ten Thousand Villages tent, plant tent, outdoor auction as well as the Quilt auction. It's a busy day that you won't want to miss!

**10<sup>th</sup> Annual Run for Relief**, Sat May 27 at 8 am, at the New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale. The event includes a 5K Run and a 2K Run/Walk. Register online at [www.nhmrs.com](http://www.nhmrs.com)

**Detweiler Meetinghouse**, "A Community Memorial Service" on Sun May 28 at 2:30 pm. Other summer events listed on poster on bulletin board.

**Rockway Mennonite Collegiate Ultimate Alumni Picnic** on Sat June 3, 11:30 am to 3:30 pm, rain or shine at Rockway. Bring snacks and beverages, BBQ lunch available for a small cost. RSVP by May 31 [advancement@rockway.ca](mailto:advancement@rockway.ca)

**Ralph & Eileen Lebold Fundraising Dinner:** The Dramatic Arts and Christian Formation with Alan K. Sapp. Tues, June 6 at 6:30 pm at Conrad Grebel University College. How does the work of the stage relate to Christian formation? How do drama teachers and students contribute within the life of faith? A short sketch with Rockway alumni will be included in the evening. Tickets online.

**Rockway's Spring Concert** is Thurs June 8 at 6:45 pm, join us at Rockway for this night of vocal and orchestral music.

**Shout Sister Choir Fundraiser Concert** on Thurs June 8 at 7:30 pm at Breslau Mennonite Church. Tickets \$10 at door.

**Mennonite Men Retreat** on Fri June 9—Sat June 10 at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp. Scott Brubaker-Zehr and Bryan Moyer Suderman will lead. More info: [www.eventbrite.ca](http://www.eventbrite.ca)

**Theatre of the Beat**, a critically acclaimed drama troupe, along with musical group, *No Discernable Key*, will be presenting "**Yellow Bellies**" at Steinmann Mennonite Church on Fri June 16 at 7:30 pm, a historical drama that highlights the response to Mennonite Conscientious Objectors during WWII. A thought-provoking theatre experience. Free!

**MennoHomes Out-Spok'n Bike-A-Thon** in support of affordable housing. On Sat June 17 at 9 am at Elmira Mennonite Church. Register at [www.mennohomes.com](http://www.mennohomes.com)

**World Refugee Day** is Tues June 20. Start planning now to celebrate in June with newcomers in our community! Plan a get together to celebrate new beginnings and new relationships. This year, MCC is offering \$50 grocery gift cards toward the cost of hosting. More info [www.mcco.ca/wrd2017](http://www.mcco.ca/wrd2017) or email [refugee@mcco.ca](mailto:refugee@mcco.ca)

**Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp Family Camping** is quickly approaching, June 30 to July 2. Pitch a tent, park a trailer or camp in a cabin. Come enjoy God's beautiful creation. Info at [www.hiddenacres.ca](http://www.hiddenacres.ca). To reserve a cabin 519-625-8602

**Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp** is seeking a *Facilities and Environmental Stewardship Director*, starting Fall 2017. More info at [www.hiddenacres.ca/site/opportunities/employment](http://www.hiddenacres.ca/site/opportunities/employment)

**St Jacobs Mennonite Church** has worked in cooperation with the Blyth Festival Theatre to offer a group discount to see the production of "Ipperwash" on Sun Aug 27 at 2 pm. There will also be an opportunity for conversation following the play.

**Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp** is looking for summer camp staff, people who are looking for a fun, challenging and growth-filled summer. More info, go to [www.hiddenacres.ca](http://www.hiddenacres.ca)