

PRESTON MENNONITE CHURCH

**“Being transformed by and extending God’s love
through worship, hospitality and service”**

Sunday June 4, 2023 at 10:30 am

Holy Rest



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Worship Service

Worship Leader: Alexis Simmons; Song Leader: Marg Martin
Pianist: Wendy Imrie; A/V Technician: Josh Oliverio
Speaker: Danielle Rimbault

We acknowledge that our church is located on the traditional lands
of the Neutral, the Anishinaabe, and the Haudenosaunee peoples.

Prelude

Welcome

Gathering Hymn: VT #81 All Creatures, Worship God Most High
(v 1,2,3,4,7)

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Psalm 23:3-4

Hymn: VT #602 I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes

WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO ME?

Bible Reading: Mark 6:30-34; Genesis 2:1-3

Message: Holy Rest

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

Hymn of Response: VT #9 Come Away from Rush and Hurry

Creation Response

Prayer time

Offering

Announcements

Sending Hymn: VT #503 Now, on Land and Sea Descending

Blessing

Postlude

Next Sunday:

Our Guest speaker will be Jeremy Bergen and he will be speaking
on the topic of *Church Apology*. Jeremy will be with us for some
discussion during coffee time before the service at 9:30am.

Jeremy had an article in the Canadian Mennonite that you could
read in preparation for Sunday. The link is [here](#).

MEETINGS & EVENTS

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| Tue June 6 | 11:30am | Fidelias Outing |
| Wed June 7 | 9am | PMC Men's Fellowship Group |
| Sun June 11 | noon | Brisket BBQ |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Fairview bus** will pick up at 10am this Sunday.
- **Lectio Divina Prayer meeting** Thursdays from 12:30 to 1:30pm. This week's scripture is John 12:20-36. The Zoom link is [here](#).
- **The Community Garden** at Wanner has been expanded and is open to families and friends of PMC. Plots still available. Please contact KyongJung if interested and for more information.
- **Fidelias Outing** on June 6, for those who have signed up and are carpooling, meet at the church at 11:30am.
- **Bulletins** will be printed on Thursday next week so please have submissions in by Wednesday afternoon. Thanks.
- **Sun June 11: BBQ Brisket by Chuck!** Please bring either a salad or a dessert if you are able. Looking forward to another meal together. All are welcome! Any questions, contact Anita.
- **Cindy** will be participating in the MCEC Admin day on June 14.
- **After the service on June 18**, everyone is invited out to the newly planted Tulip Tree to honour Dave R's 35 years of service as treasurer for PMC. We will have ice cream together to celebrate. Thank you Dave R!
- **Pastor's Summer Book Study:** Over the course of the summer, you are invited to join the pastors in some summer reading! There are a variety of ways to get the books. Please see the attached document. The book study will follow this schedule:
June 21, 2pm at Preston: Freeing Jesus, by Diana Butler Bass
July 11, 2pm at Wanner: Why can't the church be more like an AA meeting? by Stephen R. Haynes
August 2, 2pm at Preston: Who will be a witness? by Drew G.I. Hart
August 29, 2pm at Wanner: Reaching for the Invisible God, by Philip Yancey

EVENTS BEYOND THE CONGREGATION

You are invited to “**Jack Wyndham plays the pieces you know**” at Zion United Church, Peel St, New Hamburg on June 10 at 7pm. Jack had been a pianist here at PMC. Entry by donation.

Beyond Housing Out-Spok'n XIII for Affordable Housing Bike-a-thon on June 10th. More details at www.beyondhousing.ca

Hidden Acres is hosting their **56th Annual Chicken BBQ & 15th Annual Pie Auction Fundraiser** on Tuesday, June 13 from 5 - 7 pm. Come and enjoy our delicious chicken dinner! Please visit hiddenacres.ca for more details and to order your tickets. Tickets need to be purchased in advance.

Mennonite Historical Society of Ontario annual meeting with Len Friesen, Wednesday, June 14, 7:00pm at Waterloo-Kitchener United Mennonite Church. "Questions Asked & Answered: On Writing the History of Mennonites in Imperial Russia and the Soviet Union." Details at mhso.org.

All are invited to the **Detweiler Meetinghouse** at 3445 Roseville Road to enjoy the music, songs and stories by the Mac Talla Road Duo on Sunday, June 25, 2:30 to 4 p.m. Admission is by donation. For information or questions about Detweiler Meetinghouse, see Detweilermeetinghouse.ca, Facebook or Marion Roes at mlroes@sympatico.ca .

Family Camping Weekend at Hidden Acres on June 30 to July 2. Bring your family to enjoy the outdoors, go swimming, canoeing and climbing the outdoor climbing tower. Reserve a cabin space at info@hiddenacres.ca. First come, first served for camping spots.

Breslau Mennonite Church Summer Camp - If you have a child entering SK - Grade 6 then they are invited to attend the BMC Summer Camp on August 14-18th from 9:00am-12:00pm. Visit our website for more information or to register: <https://www.breslaumc.ca/ministries/summer-camp/>

Today, I want to share with you the story of a small garden shed that embodies both ingenuity and a profound connection to God's creation. This humble shed serves as a testament to our responsibility as stewards of the Earth and the incredible potential that lies within harnessing renewable energy.

In the beginning, the seed of an idea sprouted—a solar-powered battery box to energize a HAM radio. This simple vision grew into a flourishing solar system, nestled within the shed's walls. As the initial project succeeded, the shed became a sanctuary for the expansion of solar panels, eager to capture the sun's radiant energy. Four 100 Watt solar panels now adorn the rooftop, their collective power surpassing the humble radio's needs.

But this solar garden shed's story doesn't end there. It embraces a wider purpose. It embraces the beauty of harmony and sustainability. Beyond powering the radio, it now energizes the tools of the garden—lawn mowers and whipper snippers—allowing nature's caretaker to work hand-in-hand with renewable energy.

Within this solar-powered oasis, another divine gift is cherished—a 200-liter rain barrel. The shed not only captures the sun's rays but also collects the heavens' tears. Rainwater, an essential elixir for life, finds purpose in nurturing the garden and preserving our precious resources. This humble barrel is a testament to the shed's commitment to resource conservation, embodying the responsibility we bear to honor and protect God's creation.

Through this solar garden shed and rain barrel, we witness the interconnectedness of our actions and the natural world. It reminds us that we are called to be responsible stewards, utilizing the gifts bestowed upon us in ways that honor and sustain the Earth. By harnessing renewable energy, we participate in the harmonious dance of creation, embracing the power of the sun while respecting the rhythms of rain.

As we look upon this solar garden shed and rain barrel, let us be inspired to reflect on our own lives and the choices we make. Let us seek opportunities to incorporate sustainable practices, small or large, into our daily routines. For in doing so, we honor the Creator and become caretakers of The divine masterpiece.

Thank you.