

PRESTON MENNONITE CHURCH

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

Sunday March 5, 2023 at 10:30 am

Shaped by New Birth



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

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Worship Service, March 5 @ 10:30 am

Worship Leader: Nancy Kinsie; Song Leader: Marg Martin

Pianist: Wendy Imrie; A/V Technician: Brandon Pace

Speaker: Danielle Raimbault

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

Gathering Hymn: VT #5 All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 121)

Leader: Lift your eyes to the hills

-where does your help come from?

**People: Our help comes from the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth.**

*All: Let us worship our God, who watches over us now
and always.*

Opening Prayer

Psalm 121

Hymn: VT #160 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO ME?

Bible Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Message: Shaped by New Birth

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

Hymn of Response: VT #419 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Prayer Time

Offering

SENDING

Announcements

Sending Hymn: VT #815 We Will Walk with God

Blessing (based on Psalm 121)

Leader: The Lord watch over you.

People: The Lord bless you and make you a blessing;

Leader: the sun will not harm you by day,

People: nor the moon by night.

All: The Lord will bring you to life and carry you safely home.

Postlude

The theme for Lent is "Created in the Image of God: Shaped by Jesus"
Next Sunday Danielle will be speaking on *Shaped through thirst* using
Romans 4:5-42.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

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| Tue Mar 7 | 10am | Fidelias |
| Wed Mar 8 | 9:30am | Church Council meeting |
| Wed Mar 8 | 2pm | SCRC (formerly PCRC) meeting |
| Thur Mar 9 | 10am | Property & Finance meeting |
| Sun Mar 12 | 10:30am | Footprint discussion, Slide Show and Meatless Potluck |
| Sun Mar 12 | 7pm | “This is My Story” with David Groh |
| Wed Mar 15 | 9am | Men’s Fellowship group meets |
| Fri Mar 17 | 7pm | Games Night at Wanner |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **This Sunday**, please bring ½ cup of dried food items to add to soup during the worship service. Examples include, dried beans, peas, veggies, lentils, barley, pasta, rice, etc. If you are unable to bring something to contribute, there will be items available during the service.
- **Fairview bus** will run all the Sundays in March EXCEPT for Sunday March 12. NO BUS MARCH 12.
- **Lectio Divina Prayer meeting** Thursdays from 1 to 2pm. This week’s scripture is John 9:1-12. The Zoom link is [here](#).
- **“This is My Story”** with David Groh @ 7pm at PMC or via Zoom. The link is [here](#).
- **Annual General Meeting** is scheduled for Sun Apr 2. Thank you to all who have already submitted their reports.
- **Sign up for Bible Study!** As part of Anabaptism celebrating it’s 500th anniversary, Danielle will be leading a 5 week Bible Study on certain Scripture passages assigned to our church. You will be invited to study the Scripture thoroughly and provide insight that will be sent back to the broader church to be a part of a Community Bible Reflection. To sign up or for information, please talk to or email Danielle (danielle.pwchurches@gmail.com). Whether or not this Bible Study will be in person or on Zoom and when it will be will be determined by the people participating.

Ethical Eating: What Does It Mean?

The Connections Committee has been exploring ways we can respond to the issues related to climate change. How can we as a group and as individuals find ways to reduce our carbon footprint?

When I went to the internet link for reducing my own carbon footprint, one of the primary suggestions was to eat three meatless meals each week. The members of our committee decided this was a good start for ourselves and those who attend Preston Mennonite Church. The potluck meal on February 12th, will feature dishes that are made without meat. A list of the foods that can be used to make such dishes, is provided below.

Most of us know that red meats are very destructive to the environment due to the vast areas of land required to support large herds of animals. Cattle, in particular, produce methane gas, which forms a big part of the gases that lead to a greenhouse effect and cause global warming. But even fish can be a problem, because of the huge ships that catch and process them, then toss everything related to that process into the ocean, along with the garbage produced by the humans on board. So, what foods can we eat in order to be ethical in our attempts to protect our planet?

Of course, fruits and vegetables are all safe options. So are nuts and seeds, pulses, which include dried beans, lentils, and peanuts, plus whole grains. The second list is where our proteins are found. Most vegetarians would also include fish, eggs, and cheeses in the list of acceptable proteins. You can use your own conscience to determine what you will include in your meatless dish to share on that Sunday.

The link to check your own carbon footprint is here.

https://carbon-calculator.climatehero.me/?source=GoogleKeywords&gclid=CjwKC_AiAzp6eBhByEiwA_gGq5HJfAl0cqkxkPONTO7Zyh5zOnrA1WmOndEczy7Mjly2opsEspDspMvx0C8PcQAvD_BwE

EVENTS BEYOND THE CONGREGATION

Grandparent and Grandchild Day at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp

The annual Grandparent-Grandchild Days sponsored by Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp is planned for Monday, March 13. This retreat is for grandparents and their grandchildren in Grades 1-6. Greg Taylor will be leading the day, focusing on the theme of God of Wonders: Discovering the Creator Through Space. Check out www.hiddenacres.ca for more details.

Rockway Mennonite Collegiate invites you to register today for their **28th Annual Golf Classic**, happening on Monday, May 29 at Grey Silo Golf Club. Register as a single or get a team of 4 together. Details can be found at www.rockway.ca/golf

Winter and Spring Retreats: Come to Silver Lake in 2023 for some fun camp experiences! Coming up soon are... Winter Camp for Grown-Ups (Mar 3-5), March Break Family Getaway (Mar 14-17). Go to [**SLMC Retreats & Events**](#) for more info and to register.

Summer Camp Registration is now Open: Visit the SLMC website for more details about overnight camps, outtrips and day camps. New this year – March Break Day Camp in Kitchener (Mar 13-17). Click here for [**Camp Info and Registration**](#)

Wanted: Volunteers to serve on the Board of the Detweiler Meetinghouse and Roseville Cemetery. Contact Marion Roes, secretary at mlroes@sympatico.ca about the work of the Board. See www.detweilermeetinghouse.ca for more information about us. The historically restored stone church at 3445 Roseville Road, can be rented for public meetings and there are occasionally planned public events. The Board meets twice a year.

Beyond Housing (formerly Menno Homes) annual report can be accessed [here](#).

"Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp's 39th Annual Bowlathon is happening again this year on Saturday, March 25 at 4:00pm at New Hamburg Lanes (formerly Riverside Lanes).! This is one of the camp's main annual fundraising events with last year's Bowlathon raising over \$30,000! You can show your support by donating on-line at hiddenacres.ca/donate, and select "Annual Bowlathon" from the list. Thank you!"