

# PRESTON MENNONITE CHURCH

“FEAR NOT. I AM WITH YOU”



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Please note: Masks are no longer required in the church building  
But if you feel more comfortable wearing a mask, please do so.

# Worship Service, May 22, 2022 @ 9:30 am

Worship Leader: Nancy Kinsie Song Leader: Marg Martin  
Pianist: Catherine Diclemente A/V Technician: Brandon Pace  
Speaker: Muriel Bechtel

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

## **GATHER TO WORSHIP**

Prelude

Welcome

Gathering Hymn: VT #28 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Hymn: VT #347 I Know That My Redeemer Lives (v 1,3,6,7)

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

Bible Reading: John 21

Message: First Things First

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

Hymn of Response: VT #344 Seeking Warmth from Charcoal Blazing

Prayer Time

Offering

## **SENDING**

Announcements

Sending Hymn: VT #843 May the Peace of Christ

Blessing

Postlude

During Easter season (from Easter until Pentecost), we are reassured  
by the stories of Jesus' appearances to his followers, assuring them  
that although their world (and ours) is fraught with uncertainty,  
"**Fear not. I am with you.**"

**You are invited to join in  
Coffee & Fellowship time in the lower auditorium.**

## EVENTS & MEETINGS

Thurs May 26	1 – 2 pm	Prayer meeting
May 27 – May 28		MCC Relief Sale
Wed June 1	9:30 am	Connections/Doors meeting
Wed June 1	7 pm	Stroke Recovery meeting
Tues June 7	8:45 am	Fidelias Spring Outing
Tues June 7	6:30 pm	Joint Worship meeting
Thurs June 9	10 am	Property & Finance meeting

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Lectio Divina Prayer meeting** is on Thursday from 1-2 pm. This week's scripture text is John 1:19-28. The Zoom link is [here](#). Meeting ID: 875 3755 0024 Passcode: 931300
- **Games Night** has returned! Friday June 10 from 7pm to 8:30pm in the Wanner Fellowship hall, join in for the fun and games with the residents of the Recovery houses. All are welcome!
- **A/V Technician vacancy**--We rejoice with Chris and Erin and family in their upcoming move to Stratford, but will surely miss them! We also congratulate Brandon on his new job but it requires him to work on alternate Sundays. Whether from nearby or far away, we depend on Chris and Brandon to be able to watch and hear the service each week. Please contact the Worship Committee (Brandon, Vickie or Muriel) any ideas or names of people who might be able or interested to operate the sound system and camera to help us continue to worship together. Pray that we will be open to new possibilities.

## EVENTS BEYOND THE CONGREGATION

- **New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale** on May 27 and May 28. More than just delicious food and a quilt auction, a chance to connect with community and support MCC. More information at [www.mcco.ca/events](http://www.mcco.ca/events)
- **Voices Together** Community Hymn Sing on Fri May 27 at 8:30pm at the Relief Sale under the Grandstand. The song list and music can be viewed at [www.nhmrs.com/voices-together](http://www.nhmrs.com/voices-together)

- **A Silent Auction and Fundraiser** for Crow Shield Lodge being held at Victoria Park Pavilion on May 27 “Feed the Fire”. Come and join in the fun to show your support for this land-based indigenous healing lodge for all nations. Donations of new items or experiences (event tickets, dining gift cards, massage, etc.) are being accepted for the Silent Auction. They are donating a kookum scarf to the Silent Auction on our behalf. Tickets are available through Eventbrite on the Crow Shield Lodge Facebook page for \$16.93. Contact Muriel or Nancy by May 22 if you want help getting a ticket or need a ride.

- **Spirituality and Aging Seminar** on Fri June 3, 10am to 4pm. Speak Linda Hochstetler presents “With Open Eyes & Open Hearts: Recognizing and living the journey of dying and death together.” This hybrid event will be hosted at Conrad Grebel and via Zoom. Registration and details: [www.grebel.ca/sa](http://www.grebel.ca/sa)

- **55<sup>th</sup> Chicken BBQ & Pie Auction** at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp on June 14. Both eat in and take out options are available this year. Visit [www.hiddenacres.ca](http://www.hiddenacres.ca) to purchase your tickets.

- **Syrian Sponsorship Fundraising Dinner** on Sat June 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at Wanner Church. To commemorate World Refugee Day (June 20<sup>th</sup>) - come enjoy a lovely Syrian meal provided by Mohammed Alquassem and his family. This event is to foster donations to WMC’s refugee fund as we are signed up to sponsor Mohammed and Omar’s 3 single refugee brothers who remain stuck in Lebanon. We anticipate their arrival in Canada in the next couple months. We need additional funds (approximately \$20,000) to meet our sponsorship requirement. The meal is limited to 50 people so please RSVP to Wendy Adema at [wendy.adema@gmail.com](mailto:wendy.adema@gmail.com) (respond with any dietary restrictions). Please consider generous donations to the WMC Refugee fund! Any donation amount will be appreciated; however, we could easily meet our target if 20 households would contribute \$1,000.