PRESTON MENNONITE CHURCH

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

"Where two or three are gathered"



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Worship Service Sunday September 10

Worship Leader: Sandra Moreau; Song Leader: Laverne Martin Pianist: Wendy Imrie; A-V Technician: Josh Oliverio Speaker: Danielle Raimbault

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

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

Gathering Hymn: Vt #10 Here in This Place

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Psalm 149

Hymn: VT #98 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO ME?

Bible Reading: Matthew 18:15-20

Message: "Where two or three are gathered"

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

Hymn of Response: VT #827 Move in Our Midst

Prayer Time

Offering

SENDING

Announcements

Sending Hymn: VT #601 Lead Me, Guide Me

Blessing

Postlude

Next Sunday: Guest speaker Alissa Bender will speak on *Surrender* based on John 12:20-33

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Tue Sept 12	9:30am	Fidelias meet in Fellowship hall
Wed Sept 13	9:30am	Church Council in Meeting room
Wed Sept 20	9am	Men's Fellowship group in Meeting room
Sun Sept 24	noon	Three Sisters Potluck (see insert)
Tue Sept 26	2pm	Worship Committee in Meeting room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Fairview bus will pick up at 10am on Sunday.
- Lectio Divina Prayer meeting every Thursday from 12:30 to 1:30pm on Zoom. This week's scripture is John 16:1-16. The link is here. Meeting ID: 875 3755 0024 Passcode: 931300
- September 16, 3:30pm: Social time together at the Hespeler Optimist Park Picnic Shelter! Come out and join us for some churros, fruit and lawn games and fun to start off our fall together. Sign up on the bulletin board to let us know you are coming and if you need a ride.
- Are you interested in joining the **PMC Table at the Interfaith Community Breakfast?** On October 4 from 7am-9am at the St George Banquet Hall in Waterloo. The topic is "Together in Hope" and award-winning author Paul Born will explore ideas that move people to work together for the common good. Cost is \$30/person. *Please let Danielle or Fred Kinsie know if you are interested in attending.*
- Climate Emergency Vigils being held from Sept 1-Dec 15 at Waterloo Public Square from 8 to 9pm.Details can be found <u>here</u>.
- Worship Table volunteers: A big thank you to Erin and Laverne for decorating the worship table during spring and summer. Volunteers are always welcome for a season or special occasion. Just contact Muriel or a member of the Worship Committee.
- **Preston Post!** It's time for another edition. Share some photos or stories of what you've been up to this summer. Submit to Danielle at <u>danielle.pwchurches@gmail.com</u> or put in her mailbox by Sept 24.
- **Chris Brown** is again doing the charity motorcycle ride for London Children's Hospital. To donate please see Chris or donate online <u>here</u>. Minimum donation \$25 for tax receipt.

Three Sisters Potluck

Please join a commemoration of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation at our **Three Sisters Potluck** to be held after church on **September 24.** Guest chef Sydney Keedwell will be with us and has offered recipes. Come and taste the soups and breads and teas and hear Sydney's story and her assessment of our cooking. Please sign up on bulletin board.Contact Nancy K with any questions. We hope everyone will join us! Friends welcome!

Listed below are some of the recipes. If anyone will make soup or bread please contact Anita or Nancy.

https://calgaryherald.com/life/swerve/recipe-bannock-that-is-elderapproved

https://www.cbc.ca/amp/1.6766729

https://food-guide.canada.ca/en/recipes/corn-bean-squash-soupthree-sister-s-soup/

This one is good but I also add sage.

https://cookthismeal.com/recipe/37429-mohawk-indian-corn-soup This corn soup varies; a lot of people just use corn, bean and salted pork and no veggies. But all are welcome \cong .

https://www.oneidaindiannation.com/celebration-of-the-strawberry/ This is the recipe for Strawberry juice. It also provides some great info on why strawberries are so sacred to Indigenous Peoples.



EVENTS BEYOND THE CONGREGATION

Addison Choir Fall Fundraiser: Order beautiful mum plants to beautify your home. Cost is \$16 for a 10 in pot. Contact Judy at judyhiggins@rogers.com or 519-219-2506 by Mon Sept 11.

Pastors in Exile (PiE) is excited to gear up for fall programming for young adults in Waterloo Region. We're beginning a weekly dinner and Bible Study for young adults next Monday, September 11, 2023 at 6pm (dinner) and 7:15 (Bible Study) at WK United Mennonite Church.

You are invited to join as a **singer in the Mennonite Mass Choir** in a performance of Handel's Messiah with the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony at Centre in the Square on Sunday, December 10th (afternoon). Monday evening rehearsals begin on September 25th at First Mennonite Church (800 King St E, Kitchener) from 7:30-9:30pm. For more information and to register go to <u>www.mennosingers.com</u>

Silver Lake Mennonite Camp Men's retreat is September 15-17. This year's Men's Retreat will feature lots of boating, games, campfires, relaxation, and a Mennonite meal on the Saturday, full of many favourite traditional dishes. It's going to be a great time! Register at SLMC.ca/retreats

Hidden Acres Annual Seniors Fall Retreat on Monday October 2nd. The theme is *Songs that Shape and Reshape Us.* Our resource person is Ingrid Loepp Thiessen. Doug Cressman will accompany the singing.Cost is \$50 per person, registration is limited.The link for registration can be found <u>here.</u>

House of Friendship's Friendship Dinner on Saturday, October 28, is your time to celebrate inspiring youth who are overcoming the odds! More info and tickets at

www.houseoffriendship.org/friendshipdinner