Preston
Mennonite
Church



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Speaker: Danielle Raimbault

Sunday, November 15, 2026

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Gathering

Prelude
Welcome
Gathering Hymn
VT #57 *Holy Spirit, Come with Power*
Call to Worship VT#854
Opening Prayer
Hymn
VT #670 *In the Bulb There Is a Flower*

Listening

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 43:18-19
New Testament Reading John 12:20-28
Message "Plant Care"
Quiet Reflection

Responding

Hymn of Response
VT #302 *Unless a Grain of Wheat*
Sharing & Prayer Time
Offering

Sending

Announcements
Sending Hymn
VT #287 *Jesus Christ Is Waiting*
Blessing
Postlude

Leading us in worship today:

Worship Leader	Muriel Bechtel
Song Leader	Laverne Martin
Pianist	Wendy Imrie
Audio Visual	Chris Brown
Speaker	Danielle Raimbault

This Coming Week:

Pastor Harold Harold will be in Preston Wednesday and Thursday this week.

- Wed. Nov. 18, 9am Men's Group. Fairview Apartments, 3rd floor Lounge
- Wed. Nov. 18, 1pm Reps. from PMC and FMH meet to discuss
- Sun. Nov. 22, 10:30am Eternity Sunday with Communion. Led by Harold Schlegel. We will take time to remember loved ones who have died in the past year. If you would like to have someone named, please contact Pastor Harold.

Together in Prayer:

Please continue to pray for God's wisdom and guidance as we discern the possibility of redeveloping our church property with Fairview. Pray we will be good stewards of what is entrusted to our care, that our actions will bless our community and honour God.

Congregational Updates:

Christmas Dinner, Saturday, Dec. 5 – 5pm. Tickets for this year's Christmas dinner will go on sale Nov. 1. Tickets are $35. Please see Alexis and Anita. Punch at 5pm, Dinner for 5:30pm.

Milestones this week: (*Dates can be found in your church directory*)

- **Happy Birthday** to: Rose L.

Christmas Eve: The Worship Committee is planning a Service for 6pm on December 24th. How will that work for you? Please give your feedback to Muriel B., Wendy I. or Laura N.



Advent & Christmas 2026

God's Dream:

"God speaks in one way, in two ways, but no one perceives it.
In the dream, a vision of the night, when deep sleep falls upon humans,
during their slumber on a bed, then God opens people's ears."
Job 33:14-16

Sun. Nov. 29 - 1st Advent ***God Dreams of Hope***
Angus S. speaking

Sun. Dec. 6 - 2nd Advent ***God Dreams of Peace***
Guest Speaker

Sun. Dec. 13 - 3rd Advent ***God Dreams of Joy***
Harold speaking; Baptism for Sherwood H.

Sun. Dec. 20 - 4th Advent ***God Dreams of Love***
Harold speaking

Thu. Dec. 24 Christmas Eve with Living Bridge Assembly.

Sun. Dec. 27 - 1st Christmas ***God Dreams of Surprises***
Harold speaking

Sun. Jan. 3 - 2nd Christmas ***God Dreams of Protection***
Harold speaking

Out and About…

The **Addison Women's Choir** is fundraising with a **Poinsettia Sale**.

Size	Price	Colour
4.5 Inch	$9	- Red
6 Inch	$15	- Red
8 Inch	$27	- Red
10 Inch	$36	- Red

Your orders are required to be placed and paid for **by Nov. 15**, Cash, Check or E-transfer addisonwomenschoirpayments@gmail.com **Pick up Thursday, Nov. 26 between 3:30-4:30pm** at Preston Mennonite Church. A sign-up sheet is available in the foyer. Questions? Contact lesleyalkin@rogers.com

The award winning documentary film, "The Nature of Healing," will be shown on Wednesday, Nov. 18, starting at 7pm, at Waterloo North Mennonite Church, 100 Benjamin Rd., Waterloo, ON. The film reveals the spoken truth of seven Survivors of the Mohawk Institute, Canada's first and longest running Indian residential school. Two survivors will comment and answer questions after the showing. All are welcome!

The Village Fair is a new local not-for-profit exploring the possibility of a lasting fair-trade marketplace in Waterloo Region. The pop-up is being held in collaboration with **Ten Thousand Villages** Cobourg, on **November 19-21 and 26-28** at 112 Peel Street, New Hamburg, Thursdays and Fridays, 10am-7pm; Saturdays, 10am-4pm

MCEC Day of Fasting and Prayer, Saturday, Nov. 21, 2026 - Set aside Nov. 21 to join congregations across MCEC for a shared day of prayer, fasting and seeking God together. Whether you fast from food, a meal, social media or another activity, this is an opportunity to deepen your dependence on God and listen for the Spirit's leading. Conclude the day at a regional prayer gathering from 6-9pm at MCEC in Kitchener.

Documenting Border Barriers Exhibit Launch | Grebel Gallery | Saturday November 21, 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Welcome the new exhibit by artist Pamela Dodds, whose growing compendium of 25+ etch and relief prints explore the architecture and significance of anti-immigration border walls. uwaterloo.ca/centre-peace-advancement/grebel-gallery

44th World Religions Conference *"From Battlegrounds to Common Grounds – Resolving the Conflicts Before the End",* **Sunday, Nov. 22, from 11:30am to 5:30pm**, at the Lazaridis Auditorium, Wilfrid Laurier University. Free Admission – Advance Registration Encouraged. Refreshments and dinner included. As seating is limited, we strongly encourage you and your congregation members to register in advance. For more information go to: https://www.worldreligionsconference.org

The Centre for Community Based Research is coordinating the production of a forum theatre play about **Indigenous-Mennonite relations** in the Waterloo Region. **Monday, Nov. 23, 7pm** at Victoria Park Pavilion, 80 Schneider Ave, Kitchener and **Thursday, Nov. 26, 7pm** at the Guelph Civic Museum 52 Norfolk St, Guelph. This initiative responds to calls from Indigenous leaders for truth telling and reckoning with the ongoing impacts of settler colonialism. Please see the poster on the bulletin board.

Addison Women's Choir presents **Season of Light** with Special Guests: Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir & David Durward Bell Ringers on **Saturday, Nov. 28 at 3pm** at Avenue Rd. Baptist Church. Tickets: $20, Kids under 12 are free.

Make A Difference Holiday Market | Saturday, November 28, 10am - 4pm. This festive event brings together local vendors and artisans for a joyful day of community, shopping, and giving back at Conrad Grebel University College (Atrium). Proceeds support Compass Refugee Centre. More information at uwaterloo.ca/centre-peace-advancement/grebel-gallery

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