

Poole Mennonite Church

April 3, 2022

Mission Statement: To plant seeds of love and nourish roots in Jesus Christ to grow and harvest the Kingdom of God.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 2022

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer



Opening Songs: *Help us to Help Each Other* VT 722

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant VT 778

Offering Prayer (the plate is at the back in the foyer)

Children's Time:

Scripture Reading: Luke 10:30-37

Sermon: **Who is my neighbour?** Ryan Erb
Understanding homelessness in Perth County

Song of Response: *True Evangelical Faith* screen

Celebration Jar & Sharing time

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Sending Song: *We, Your People, Sing Your Praises* VT 849

Benediction

We would like to welcome Ryan Erb to our pulpit this morning. Born and raised just down the road on the family farm between Kingwood and Mapleview. Grew up as part of the Crosshill congregation, now attend Avon. Happily married to my wife Serena for almost 24 years, three daughters (Maria 19, Grace 18 and Rose 14), live in Stratford. Began my career in administration with Emmanuel Bible College, then on to Ronald McDonald House and now with United Way for the last 11 years. I love to volunteer on boards, play hockey, hike, and be with friends.

Thanks to Ryan, Fred, Wendy, Karina, Ruth and the Audio-Visual booth for their roles in the service.

Welcome to all who are here in person & those listening on **There will be** Sunday School today.

Last Sunday Attendance: 53

With the mask mandate lifting on March 21, Fred is open to visiting in homes again. Please call to set up a time.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- Poole Person to remember: **Ralph Kropf**
- **Margaret Jutzi** came home yesterday. Pray for her complete recovery from hip surgery.
- **Remember Good Friday and Easter Sunday.**
- **Wed. April 13 is Holy Week.** Zoom worship and conversation.
- **Pray for peace** in Ukraine and Russia.
- **Pray for the work** of the United Way in Stratford.
- **Pray for the Mennonite Church** in Burkino Faso. They are under political threat.
- **MCEC has its** annual sessions at the end of this month.
- **Pray. Smile. Forgive.** Worship



Birth Announcements We congratulate **Nick & Kelsey Jantzi**. Nick & Kelsey Jantzi are enjoying getting to know their new little son Sawyer Wade born on Friday Mar 25th. Hazel & Baylor are such good little helpers which is good because Grandma isn't right now. Grandparents Lyle & Connie are enjoying as many snuzzles as they can though and are feeling so blessed. Great Grandparents are Don & Martha Ropp.

If you are interested in leading worship or reading Scripture, please contact Rebecca Byers at 519-949-8712 or rebecca_ropp@hotmail.com.

MCC s looking for auction items for the New Hamburg relief sale please contact barryroth@nhmrs.com if you would like to donate. **The Promotion Dinner is April 26th** at 6:30 at Bingeman's, tickets are \$25 and can be purchased online <https://nhmrs.square.site/> or by calling **519-745-7458 (press 3)**. Full details for these events are on the bulletin board.

"The Big Cheese" Challenge to help the homeless. Order Forms to sell Millbank Cheese can be picked up from Ruth Bahr. If you want to place an order for cheese or make a donation contact Ruth at leobahr@sympatico.ca or 519-655-3270. All checks should be payable to Poole Mennonite Church and specify that it is for the cheese fundraiser. There is a prize for the person/family who sells the most (dollars' worth). If you need extra order forms please ask.



As our pandemic is changing & community services will be expanding in-person services, we need to hire a coordinator for the ESL program at Poole. The expected hours of work fluctuate from season to season and we hope to begin classes in the early fall. More information about this position please contact Janet.

Coming Events

PWIM: Tuesday, April 5 starting at 9 am. Regular meeting of quilting, knotting and fellowship. Coffee and Tea provided.



Apr. 7: Church Council @ 7p.m.

Apr. 15: Good Friday Service @ 10a.m. with communion

Apr. 17: Easter Sunday- we will have live chicks for the children (and adults!!) to "celebrate" during our time of worship.



May 8: Parent/Child Dedication - Let Pastor Fred know if you want to participate.



Celebration Jar Wishes:

Joan & Ken Jutzi Birthday wishes for their granddaughter Carly Dunbar's birthday on March 31st and also want to celebrate her getting a full-time teaching position and purchasing a house in Stratford.



Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp & Retreat Centre's 38th Annual Fundraising Bowlathon.

This is one of the camp's main annual fundraising events and we look forward to the continued support of our community. Last year over \$29,000 was raised! Please show your support by donating on-line at hiddenacres.ca/donate, and select "Annual Bowlathon" or mail a cheque - 1921 Line 37, New Hamburg, On. N3A 4B5.



New Hamburg thrift is in major need of Volunteers!! With society opening up and the busy spring season ahead, we are looking for people available through the week during regular business hours. Our Receiving manager is asking for people who can sort and help with receiving donations as they come. Please reach out to Jennifer Woolner at jenniferwoolner@mcco.ca or 519-662-2867. You can also go to newhamburgthrift.com and fill out a Volunteer application. Thank-You

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