



Poole Mennonite Church

December 4, 2022

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

Advent-Restoration is Near

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship & Prayer:

Lighting of the First Advent Candle

Song: *We Come*

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus



VT 225

VT 218

Offering Prayer: (plate on the table in the narthex)

Children's Time:

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10

Matthew 3:1-12

Sermon: **"Producing the Fruit of Repentance"** Pastor Fred

Hymn of Response: My Soul Proclaims with Wonder VT 222

Celebration Jar & Sharing of our Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Sending Song: *O Come, O Come, Immanuel* VT 210
Benediction

Today is the Second Sunday of Advent. The theme for the season is *Restoration is Near*, May all the singing, praying, reading and reflecting bring glory to God this morning. May it also lighten your soul, and bring you into the presence of God.

Thanks to Wanda, Josslyn, Karen, Wendy and the Audio-Visual booth for their roles in the service

Last Sunday Attendance: 97



PRAYER AND PRAISE

- Poole Person to remember: **Ralph Kropf**
- **Pray for our** Advent and Christmas services.
- **Pray for our** Mission projects and the groups receiving the money.
- **Remember those who** are taking health treatments.
- **Pray for our** Sunday School program that happens on the 18th.
- **Stewardship is beginning** the process of putting together the 2023 Budget. Continue to give generously to the 2022 budget.
- **Pray for the** Mennonite Church in Ukraine.
- **Our university and** college students are moving to exams and final projects here in December.
- **Pray for Ann Schultz**, the interim MEC director. She is Herb and Shirley's daughter.
- **May God Bless You,**
- **And Keep You.**



Rheo Thompson Chocolates will be available for pick up on Dec. 10th from 11am - 2pm and on Dec. 11th, from 11-12 (after church).

If you have extra **Christmas baking (cookies and squares) to donate** to our Community Christmas potluck please let Ruth Bahr know.



Coming Events

Tues. Dec. 6: PWIM - all ladies are welcome for quilting, comforter knotting & fellowship. Bring your lunch. Coffee & tea provided. At 9am.



Breakfast with Pastor Fred. Friday Dec. 9. At Schmidtsville Restaurant (Wellesley) at 8:00am. Simple Breakfast Buffet \$15. Scrambled eggs, Ham, Fried potatoes, assortment of breads toasted. Need to know if you are coming. Please let Fred or Janet know by Dec. 6.

Dec. 18: Sunday School Christmas Program 10am.

Christmas Eve Candle Lighting Service with communion Dec 24 at 7pm.



Dec. 25: Christmas Day -10.00a.m.



A Community Cares Christmas



Come join us for a Potluck on December 25th from 12:30- 5: pm

This event is for individuals or families who for a variety of reasons may not be able to gather with their families this Christmas. We have asked Poole Mennonite Church for the use of their basement.

Bring something to share for 1st course only as drinks and dessert will be provided.

There will be opportunity to socialize, play games and make a craft, after lunch (Kid friendly). The church also has a large property if the children would like to play outdoors.

If you have any questions, please contact
Sandra Kuepfer at **519-616 4510**

For anyone wishing to join a Christmas morning worship service, Poole Mennonite Church welcomes you. The service starts at 10:00 am.



Community/Cluster

Dec. 4: Candelight Carol Sing with special music! At 7:30pm. At Millbank Heritage and Arts Society 6988 Church St. Millbank

MPACS Virtual Information Session | Tuesday, December 6, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Curious about graduate studies?

Passionate about peace and justice? Join this virtual information session for an overview of the Master of Peace and Conflict Studies (MPACS) program at Conrad Grebel University College, as well as an opportunity to connect with staff, faculty, and student representatives. Registration

required: uwaterloo.ca/master-peace-conflict-studies/events

Village Voices Community Choir presents

Deck the Halls!

A Christmas Sing-A-Long.

Saturday December 10th @ 7:30 PM at St. Peter's Lutheran Church (Milverton).

Free Will offering and/or food donation for the Loaves and Fishes Foodbank.



Silver Lake Mennonite Camp:

2023 Winter and Spring Retreats now open for registration: Come to Silver Lake in 2023 for some fun camp experiences! Dads & Kids, Snowshoe Hike, Women's Retreat, Couples Retreat, Winter Camp for Grown-Ups, March Break Family Getaway, Youth Camp and Family Camp – there are options for all ages! Go to [SLMC Retreats & Events](#) for more info and to register. These make fantastic Christmas gifts!

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