

Poole Mennonite Church

March 12, 2023

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

LENT 3



Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

Songs *Here I Am, Lord* VT 54

To God Be the Glory VT 84

Offering Prayer (plate on the table in the narthex)

Children Time I think Jesus was funny, sometimes

Scripture Readings Exodus 17:1-7
John 4:5-15



Message **“Imagination and the Bible
or holding the text with soft hands”** Pastor Fred

Hymn of Response *Rock of Ages Cleft for Me* screen

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

Closing Song *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* VT 419
Benediction

Welcome to the Season of Lent. This is the Third Sunday in the season, and we worship the Lord with gladness. The sermon will be about using your imagination with the Bible. At the end of Lent we will celebrate communion. Be in prayer for this remembering the last meal that Jesus had with best friends.

Thanks Bonnie, Becca, Liz, and the **Audio-Visual** booth for their roles in the service.

Welcome to all who are here in person & those listening on-line.

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Last Sunday Attendance: 44

You may bring your offerings to church or e-transfer them or mail them to the church. Thank you for your great generosity.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- Poole Person to remember: **Leona Erb**
- **Pray for Katie Kuepfer.** She moved into long-term care. **Glenda Byrd** at home in Milverton.
- **We need an Elder** here at Poole. If you have a name, talk to Fred or Wendy. We need a male to balance the genders.
- **Pray for our church** as we prepare to hold Vacation Bible School July 10-14. Talk to Sandra if you want to volunteer.
- **Pray for those** going through health treatments.
- **Pray for peace** to come to Ukraine and Russia. The war has gone on for over a year.
- **Pray for MCC's** work in Syria. They are helping earthquake victims.
- **MCEC is looking** for an executive director.
- **Be blessed today** by God. Be a blessing to others today as well.

Poole Mennonite Church Needs You 😊. Gift discernment is looking for people to fill some positions on the slate. The following committees each need one person, **Church Council Co - Chair, Missions Committee, Christian Education, and Kids Club** (these 2 positions can be combined or done separately).

If you would like to serve the church in any of these positions, please talk to Rose Harding or Ruth Bahr. Please keep in mind that we are only asking you to serve in the capacity you are able, not as others have done so in the past or may do in the future. We recognize that each person is unique and has their own talents and the church is here to support you. Thank you for your service to Poole Mennonite Church.

Coming Events

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“For the month of March: Missions will be collecting medical supplies again for the Stratford Mission Depot.

Ruth and Joyce will be collecting each Sunday in March. Please give medications directly to one of us.



The mission depot is now concentrating on Ukraine & Turkey. One truckload has been sent to Turkey and another is waiting transport to Ukraine. The shelves at the depot are quite empty presently, so any donations are appreciated. A list of needed items is enclosed in the bulletin.”

Fri. Mar. 17: St. Peter’s Lutheran Church LUNCHEON

11:30 to 1:30. Adult-\$15, Child-\$5. Menu: Irish Stew, Coleslaw, Crusty Bread, Variety of cakes & cheesecakes, beverages.

Eat in or take out, please call 595-8357, 595-8358, 595-5952.

Masks are optional. Everyone welcome.

ESL program will resume at Poole in March. The program still needs volunteers to assist with providing loving care with children. Help is needed on Mar. 21 & Apr. 18 to May 30. No class on May 2. Please contact Eva Harms for further info. eharms@hpph.ca or 519-496-1886



Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp 38th Annual Fundraising

Bowlathon is **Mar.25** 4pm. Last year over \$30,000 was raised! This year for Poole Church, Jenni Leis & Ruth Bahr are bowling. Please show your support by sponsoring them, (Jen Leis and Janet Schultz will be collecting the money for this event.) Or donate on-line at hiddenacres.ca/donate, see poster.



March 26: guest speaker – Elaine Clark Siberry

Sun. Apr. 30.  **TEEN CHALLENGE** Having a donation to support their work and a potluck after the service.

Calling all kids from JK (starting Sept 2023) to Grade 8. Please join us for an out of this world experience from July 10 -14, 2023 to remind us to Shine Jesus' Light in the darkest corners of our Galaxy! It's going to be Stellar!! Please contact Sandra at 519-616-4510 for more information.

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Community/Cluster

Tues. Mar. 21: Blood Donor Clinic: Perth East Complex 1-7pm

Sat. March 25: 7 p.m. - **Rescue Junction Concert** at the PERC, 40 Temperance Street, Milverton. Admission is by donation at the door. All are welcome!

Millbank Heritage and Arts Society invites you to join us for a Community Talent Show on Sat. Mar. 25 at 7p.m. If you would like to participate by sharing your talent, please contact Pauline Horst at (519) 998-0034 or millbank.heritage.arts@gmail.com by March 20. This event will be at 6988 Church St., Millbank

Important announcement from



It has been an interesting winter at the New Hamburg thrift store, and we have found ourselves in a place of desperately needing donated items to sell. We have had to send volunteers home due to lack of work, and we are seeing sales starting to trend downwards as a result of not having enough to sell. I'm reaching out to see if you can spread the word. As always, we thank you for your help, and appreciate everything that you and your congregations do to support the thrift centre and the broader MCC.

Indigenous Learning Retreat (April 26-27): Indigenous cultural awareness workshop with Diane Giroux. Come to Silver Lake on Wednesday evening for dinner and spend the night. Thursday morning be inspired to learn about indigenous culture. Great opportunity for church ministry workers. Go to [SLMC Retreats & Events](http://SLMC.Retreats&Events) for more info and to register.

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STRATFORD MISSION DEPOT NEEDS



MEDICAL ITEMS FOR UKRAINE & TURKEY



We are accepting virtually ALL medical supplies, in date preferred, but we can place some outdated items.

ALL Wound Care: gauze 4x4, 2x2, sterile and unsterile; specialty dressings; overwrap; saline and disinfectant skin cleansers; band-aids.

Intravenous: solutions; tubing; IV start catheters.

Urinary: catheters, drainage bags; leg bags and straps.

Respiratory: spirometers; CPAP machines and tubing; pulse Oximeters; aero chambers; O2 nebulizers.

Tape: plastic; paper; waterproof; fabric tape.

Eye: pads and shields.

Syringes and needles: all sizes of all.

Enteral Feeding: tubing; syringes; nutrition.

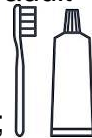


Personal Care: soap; shampoo; creams and lotions; toothbrushes and paste; razors; feminine products.

Nutrition: protein powders; infant formula; child and adult nutrition.

Diapers: infant and adult diapers and briefs.

Equipment: Blood Pressure monitors; stethoscopes; thermometers; Blood sugar monitors and strips; air casts; knee and wrist braces; slings; tensor bandages; canes; crutches; wheelchairs and walkers



Medications: OTC (over the counter) medications of all kinds except homeopathic (lack of knowledge to use); antibacterial, anti-fungal, analgesic creams.

ALL Personal Medications: to amass a disease treating pharmacy (need to be in original dispensed bottles or blister packs) in date or out of date.

Please give any medications directly to Joyce or Ruth.

