

Poole Mennonite Church

April 12, 2023

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

Resurrection Sunday

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

Songs
To God be the Glory VT # 84
Would you Be Free (Power In the Blood) screen

Offering Prayer

Children Time

Scripture Readings
 Jeremiah 31:1-6
 Matthew 28:1-10

Song
In Christ Alone VT # 332

Message
"He's Not Here" Pastor Fred

Hymn of Response
Because He Lives HWB # 345

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

Closing Song
All Hail the Power VT # 364

Benediction

Jesus is Risen. He said he would rise in three days. The world of life and death has forever changed. Let all the children, women and men both young and old, come and see that the tomb is empty. Let us rejoice in this transformation.

Thanks Wendy, Bonnie, Donna, Justyne, and the Audio-Visual booth for their roles in the service.

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

Thanks to Norm Roes we have live chicks at the back of the church. Don't forget to check them out.



Last Sunday Attendance: 76

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**
- **Helene Eicher** is a patient at Grand River Hospital. Pray for her recovery.
- **Ray Schultz** remains in Stratford hospital from having a stroke last Friday. Pray for his recovery.
- **Remember others** at Poole who are going through health treatments.
- **Wayne Gerber** has accepted a position on the elder team. May the Lord give him wisdom and patience as he leads our church family in this new role.
- **Pray for Church Council** as they meet Wednesday.
- **MCEC** has its annual sessions on April 28-29 at Rockway Collegiate. Sign up on their website.
- **Pray for the** ministry of the *Canadian Mennonite* magazine.
- **Pray for peace** in Ukraine.
- **Remember the churches** of Mennonite World Conference.
- **Be a blessing** to others and be blessed by God today.

Birth Announcement: We congratulate Josh Gerber & Erin Strathee on the birth of their twin girls. Nora & Rose on Tuesday. Lots of hugs from big sister Morgan. The girls are in special care nursery. Proud grandparents are Dennis & Joanne Gerber.



Pastor Fred will be on holidays Apr. 21-May 1. Contact Wendy Dunn for pastoral care/prayer chain updates.

Fred wants to visit with you over coffee, or lunch, and conversation. Please contact Fred at fred.redekop@gmail.com

There are blue hymnals available to all. Please pick up one in the foyer.

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). Contact Ruth Bahr or Rose Harding.

Coming Events

Wed. Apr. 12: Church Council-7pm.

Mon. Apr. 17: Annual General Meeting of the A.M. Fire & Storm Aid Union with be held at Crosshill Mennonite Church. 7:30pm.

April 23 Barb Draper, Canadian Mennonite

MCEC Annual Church Gathering April 28 & 29, 2023

Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, Kitchener, *Transformed. Inspired. Called.* Hebrews 12:1-3

Free Intercultural Worship Service - Friday, April 28, 7p.m. Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, Kitchener, All are welcome to attend Friday evening worship service. Be challenged and encouraged by Fansoie Legesse. Welcome new congregations joining MCEC. Celebrate with congregations who are transitioning to full membership. Welcome their ministering pastors and celebrate communion among new and now friends.

Sun. Apr. 30.  **TEEN CHALLENGE** We will be having an extra offering to support their work and will have a potluck lunch after the service.

SAVE THE DATE!! Calling all kids from JK (starting Sept 2023) to Grade 8. VBS at Poole is back! Please join us for an out of this world experience from July 10 -14, 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



Community/Cluster

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. As always, we thank you for your help, and appreciate everything that you and your congregations do to support the thrift centre.

New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale Promotion Dinner is April 24 at 6pm. at Floradale Mennonite Church, tickets are \$25. Reservation must be made in advance by calling 519-745-8458 ext. 262. See sheet on bulletin board.

Hidden Acres Spring Seniors Retreat 2023. Unlearning Loneliness: Relearning Community. Join us May 1st for a day or fellowship, learning and music with friends new and old! For more info. and to register visit our website www.hiddenacres.ca or contact the office at info@hiddenacres.ca or 519-625-8602.

Shalom's Annual Spring Brunch is fast approaching. This is a time where Shalom can share with donors what is new and happening at Shalom. This year is extra special as we celebrate our 40th anniversary.

Date: **Saturday May 6, 2023**
Time: 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Location: Shantz M. Church - 2473 Erb's Road, Baden,
Topic: 40 Years of Conversations (1983 – 2023)
Cost: \$40 (Receipts provided for \$20 of ticket price)

For tickets, please contact Shalom by Mon. May 1. 519-886-9690 or online at www.shalomcounselling.org/brunch. Or for more infor.

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Poole Mennonite Church

April 7, 2023

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship

Prayer

Opening Songs:

Go to Dark Gethsemane

VT 317

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

VT 322

The Passion of Jesus According to Matthew Mark Luke and John

Sermon: **“LOVE and DEATH and LOVE.”**

Pastor Fred

COMMUNION

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Offering for the Church Benevolent Fund



Song: *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

VT 778

Footwashing and Handwashing

Closing Song:

Were You There

VT 329

Benediction

Postlude

Welcome to the Good Friday Communion Service For communion, we will invite you to come forward to receive the bread and the cup. We invite you to bring your children forward too for a blessing.

Thank you to Fred, Wendy, Connie, Jason & Ken for their part in today's service.

The tradition of Poole has been to give a donation for our Elders' Benevolence Fund on Good Friday. Please note the offering plates in our foyer where you can drop off your donation. If you forgot to bring a donation and wish to donate, feel free to bring that donation on Easter Sunday. Please make sure to clearly designate it for the Benevolence Fund. Thank you!



“That evening, once Jesus and the twelve were altogether in the upper room, numerous events took place that have profoundly shaped the church's peacemaking vocation. First, Jesus washed his disciples' feet and stated that his followers must empty themselves of power, stoop down, and serve others in similar ways. Then, Jesus infused the Passover meal with scandalous new meaning. If Jesus had been a violent Messiah (as so many wanted him to be), he would have torn the bread and poured the wine and said, “This is my enemy's body. Break it for me, and this is my enemy's body. Shed it for me.” Instead, Jesus says This is my body broken for you. This is my blood shed for you.”

— from *Fight Like Jesus* by Jason Porterfield, page 119

Easter Sunday at 10:00am. We will have live chicks for the children (and adults!!). Thanks Norm.

