

# Poole Mennonite Church

## September 24, 2023

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

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

Song *What is this place* VT # 22

*Lead On, O Cloud of Presence* VT # 19

Offering Prayer (plate on the table in the narthex)

Childrens' Time

Scripture Readings Psalm 100

Exodus 5:1-19

Message "From Egypt and Zurich" Pastor Fred

Hymn of Response **What Wondrous Love Is This** VT # 564

Sharing of our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Closing Song *God be with you till we meet again* VT # 840

Benediction

**Welcome to POOLE MENNONITE.** We have been in this community for 150 years. Today's service begins a four-part series on the role of place in our life story and the Gospel story. The text for today is the slavery of the nation of Israel by the Egyptians. After the worship service, get a coffee, and come back to the worship space for reflection on the worship time.

**Thanks to Ramona, Justyne, Wendy 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: 41

"Elsie Spencer - with the support of missions – would like us at Poole to be Thankful in the month of October by collecting items for MCC relief kits. Please see the insert in the bulletin for the list and posted by the bin at the back of the church. The last day for donating is Oct 29th."



### PRAYER AND PRAISE

- Poole Person to remember **Dorothy Erb Happy 96 Birthday** Dorothy on Oct 3.
- **This is the day** that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- **Ken Jutzi** came home on Saturday, and **Lloyd Erb** is in Grand River- Freeport. Pray for healing.
- **We will be celebrating** Communion on Sunday October 8. Pray for our congregation.
- **Pray for the** United Nations. They are having their Annual General Assembly meetings in New York this week.
- **MCEC is looking** for a new executive director. Talk to Fred if you have names. Pray for someone to come forward.
- **Pray for peace** to arrive in Ukraine and Russia.
- **Pray for our 150th** celebration, the weekend of May 31-June 2, 2024
- **Pray for our university** students this week. If you would like a visit from Fred, please contact him at [fred.redekop@gmail.com](mailto:fred.redekop@gmail.com)

**Check out the** bulletin board in the foyer for more post cards.

**It's time to add** some new reading to the library. We are open to suggestions to purchase. It's been a couple of years since books have been added.

Doreen and Anita



**Everyone Welcome to THE CELEBRATION of FUN EVENT** at Poole Church on October 22, from 2-5 pm. There will be hotdogs and light refreshments to follow This is an afternoon of entertainment in honor of **John/Jack Schultz** and is sponsored by the John Schultz estate. **This event is free**, however, if you would like, there will be an opportunity to donate to The United Way of Stratford (to fight homelessness) or bring an item for the Milverton Food Bank. Anyone who would like to participate in this event as a performer should let Ruth Bahr know by September 27th. (poster on the bulletin board).



**Coming Events**

**Wed. Sept. 27:** Blood Clinic at Perth East Complex 1 to 7pm.



**Oct. 1:** Sermon - "Bethlehem and Istanbul" Luke 2: 1-20 Back-Pack Blessing. Big & small kids bring your backpacks to Church

**Tues. Oct. 3: PWIM** at 9am with quilting, knotting & fellowship. Coffee & Tea are provided. All ladies are welcome to attend all or part of the day

**We are starting** a Zoom book study on Spirituality and Aging. Tentative date is **Wednesday October 4**. Talk to Fred.

**We will be** celebrating Communion/Thanksgiving on Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup>. Be in prayer

**Thurs. Nov. 30** - 2 pm. **The Over 50's committee** is planning an outing to Hamilton Family Theatre Cambridge to see the play **"FIDDLER ON THE ROOF."** There is a sheet posted on the bulletin board, so sign up now as we have 40 seats reserved. Cost is \$52 per person to be paid by Sept. 24 to committee member. We are planning to go to Swiss Chalet on Fairway Rd. in Kitchener after the play. If you don't wish to go to the supper, let a committee member know as we need to give the restaurant numbers.



If you are going to need a ride, please let a committee member know so we can arrange this. We hope to see you there. Wayne & Phyllis Jantzi, Bud & Ruth Gerber Rod & Cheryl Erb

**Community/Cluster**

**Tues. Sept. 26:** 6:30-8 p.m. - Please join us at Milverton Christian Fellowship for an evening with **Kat Gilles (MSW, RSW)** to learn about our teens and the online world today. This is a free event, open to all.

**All are welcome to** Maple View Mennonite Church on Sun. Oct. 1st at 7:30 to hear the Woodlawn Youth Choir. A free will offering will be collected to cover expenses.

**Crosshill Mennonite Church's 18th Annual Beef BBQ Supper** Sat. Oct. 14, at 5-7PM (Take Out Only). Meals by donation. Proceeds will go towards Beyond Housing (Menno Homes) & MCC (Humanitarian Relief). Reserve Your Pick Up Time Here! <https://www.crosshillmennonitechurch.ca/beefbbq>

**Calling all male singers! Jubilation Men's Choir** is beginning rehearsals for their Christmas performance of sacred music in Waterloo. Come join our enthusiastic group on **Wed.** at 7:30 pm at Waterloo Kitchener United Mennonite Church. Contact Lloyd Koch for more infor. 519-589-4464 or lekoch@hotmail.com

**Hidden Acres** will be hosting our annual **Seniors Fall Retreat** on **Monday October 2nd**. The theme is **Songs that Shape and Reshape Us**. Our resource person is **Ingrid Loepp Thiessen**. Cost is \$50 per person, registration is limited. Please find a copy of the brochure posted on bulletin board.

**Sat. Oct. 28 – a Voices Together Resource Day**, held at Shantz Mennonite Church from 9am-4:30, followed by an open hymn sing at 7pm. <https://mcec.ca/event/22582-2023-10-28-voices-together-resource-day>

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## October Mission Project

### MCC Relief Kits



Relief kits provide valuable supplies to families traumatized by war and disasters. In recent years, kits have been sent to El Salvador, Honduras and Iraq.

#### **Contents (NEW items only, in original packaging)**

- 4 large bars bath soap
- 1 plastic bottle shampoo (13–24 oz; place in resealable plastic bag)
- 4 large bars laundry soap (Some stores carry Fels Naptha®, Sunlight® or Zote® brands)
- 4 adult-size toothbrushes
- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors)
- 2 wide-tooth combs (6–8 in)
- 1 fingernail clipper (good quality)
- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40 count, assorted)
- 1 package sanitary pads (18–24 count thin maxi)

**Thank you, Mission Committee!**