

# Poole Mennonite Church

October 15, 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 *Let's walk together  
In the Rifted Rock*



VT # 6

VT # 619

Offering Prayer (plate on the table in the narthex)

Childrens' Time

Scripture Readings Revelation 13:1-8  
Revelation 22:16-17

Message **"Babylon (Baghdad) to Everywhere"**

**Pastor Fred**

Hymn of Response *When Peace Like a River* VT # 617

Sharing of our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Closing Song *Guide My feet* VT # 816

Benediction

**Welcome to POOLE MENNONITE.** Today is the final service in the series around the role of place in Jesus' gospel. The texts for today are from the Book of Revelation. The words are directed at the church that was under persecution. In the history of the church Revelation has invited discussion around Jesus' return for a second time. Is this helpful? Following the service, we invite you to participate in a worship reflection time. May you feel God's blessings today.

**Thanks to Donna, Wendy, Jenni L., 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: 67



**"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 **those having health challenges.**
- **Sunday November 26** will be our Remembering Sunday. We will highlight and light candles for Poole people who have passed away this year. Pray for those families.
- **Pray for the Elders** process here at Poole.
- **Remember the Loaves** and Fishes Food Bank.
- **Pray for justice** and peace to come for all in the Middle East. You may donate to MCC's work there.
- **Pray for MCEC** as it looks for a new executive secretary. Ann Schultz is the interim leader.
- **Pray for peace** in Ukraine.
- **Pray for our farmers** as they finish up their fall field work.
- "**Forgive them Father**, for they do not know what they are doing" ---- words of Jesus while on the cross

If you would like a visit from Fred, please contact him at [fred.redekop@gmail.com](mailto:fred.redekop@gmail.com)

**Today Please join us** for an open house to celebrate our parents, **Albert & Irene Leis' 60th Anniversary**. Today from 2-4pm at Poole. Your presence is our cherished gift.



**The Sunday School Children** will be making treats for coffee time on Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>. We will be asking for donations so that they can purchase gifts for under privileged children this Christmas through Adopt A Family Milverton.

Please tell the worship committee your favorite older hymn, and newer song in the Voices Together.

**The Junior Sunday School** is asking for your help. There is a sign-up sheet on the Bulletin Board to be a teacher for however many Sundays you can teach. There is a reference book we are using for the lessons, but you may also choose to teach the topic in your own way. Any questions please ask Ruth Bahr.

**Childcare Volunteers Needed** to support the English as a Second Language (ESL) Program for Low German speaking women and their preschool aged children. Tues. 9 am – 12:30 pm, Sept.– Nov. 2023. At Poole Church. Contact Eva at 519-496-1886 for more info about this fun and meaningful opportunity!

"**Spirituality and Aging**" is our book study. Let Fred know if you are interested. It is on Wednesday evening

**Sun. Oct. 22: Hymn Sing** - Bonnie Ropp

**THE CELEBRATION of FUN EVENT** at Poole Church on **October 22**, in honor of **John/Jack Schultz** see insert

**Needed:** The food committee Would like some volunteers to help set up table after church on Sunday and for clean up after the event. Please let Janet know if you can help.

**Missions committee is** having a **Rheo Thompson** Fundraiser again this year, to support those affected by the fires in Western Canada. If you would like to collect orders, please pick up a form from the back and submit it with your payment by the first Sunday in November. If you would just like to order some items, please contact Joyce Gerber or Karina Ropp

**Coming Soon: Fundscrip Gift Cards** – once again I will be looking after the selling of Gift Cards with the proceeds going to Missions. Order forms will be available on Nov 5th with orders due to Connie Jantzi by Nov 26th. Hopefully the cards will be ready to be picked up at church on Dec 3rd – just in time for all of your Christmas shopping and gift giving needs. They are also handy to use year-round for groceries, gas, restaurants, etc. Thanks for your continued support of this fundraiser

**Community/Cluster**

**The Millbank Heritage and Arts Society** is holding a Seniors' Luncheon on **Sat. Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>** from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required. This event will take place at 6988 Church St., Millbank. Please see poster for details.

**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>

**Sat. Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>:** 5:30 p.m. - Please join us at Milverton Christian Fellowship for a lovely sit-down **Fundraising Meal & Silent Auction!** Menu includes: Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Hot Vegetable, Coleslaw, Jellied Salads, Dinner Rolls, Cheesecake, Coffee/Tea/Juice. Ticket prices are \$20/adult, \$12/children 5-12 years old and FREE/children 4 and under. Tables can be reserved for parties of 8 (8 tickets will need to be purchased.) Proceeds will go to the MCF Sound & Video Fund. Donations above the \$20 ticket price will be receipted. Please call or email to reserve/purchase tickets by Oct. 22nd. Contact Carrie Schultz at 519-595-8762 or email [mcfchurch@cyg.net](mailto:mcfchurch@cyg.net). No takeouts.

**Menno Singers and artistic director Brandon Leis present 'Now I lay me down to Peace,'** at First United Church (16 William St, Waterloo) on Sat. Nov. 4 at 7:30pm. The concert features the Faure Requiem, the Thompson Peaceable Kingdom and 3 Nocturnes by Elder. \$25 Adults. \$5 Children/Students. Tickets available on-line or at the door. [www.mennosingers.com](http://www.mennosingers.com)

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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!**

## “A Celebration of Fun Event”

In memory of  
**John (Jack) Schultz**

At Poole Mennonite Church on  
**Sunday October 22**



from 2-5  
(15-minute intermission)



with hotdogs and light refreshments to follow.

This is an afternoon of entertainment  
(singing/playing, storytelling and comedy)  
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**The event is free,**

but there will be an opportunity to give a donation to The United Way (Stratford) (to fight homelessness) or if you would like to bring an item for the Milverton Food Bank.

*“This event is sponsored by the John Schultz Estate”*

