

# Poole Mennonite Church

## October 8, 2023

### Celebration of Communion/Thanksgiving

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	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	VT # 103
	<i>For the Beauty</i>	VT # 129



*Happy Thanksgiving!*

Offering Prayer (plate on the table in the narthex)

Childrens' Time

Scripture Readings	Psalm 150
	Matthew 22:15-20



Message **"From Jerusalem to Poole"** **Pastor Fred**

Hymn of Response *Great is Thy Faithfulness* VT # 419

Communion

Sharing the Bread and Cup	
Song	<i>Will You let me be your servant</i> VT # 778
Footwashing/Handwashing	

Sharing of our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Closing Song *Thank You Lord For Your Blessings on Me* screen  
Benediction

**Welcome to POOLE MENNONITE.** In the Christian tradition one of the things, we remember is the final meal of Jesus and his friends. Today's service will reenact the meal with food, drink and washing of hands and feet. We want you to go away from this morning transformed because you have met God through each other as we take the food of that last meal. Following the service, we invite to participate in a worship reflection time. May you feel God's blessings today.

Thanks to **Bonnie, Connie G., Rebecca,** and the **Audio- Visual** booth for their roles in the service.

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

**Last Sunday Attendance: 77**




**"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 **Leona Erb**
- **Pray for Lloyd Erb.** (Jean) He remains a patient at Freeport.
- **Pray for our study** of Spirituality and Aging. Next class will be October 18.
- **Pray for the United States** as it lives into a new political crisis.
- **Pray for Doug Klassen,** executive secretary of Mennonite Church Canada, who will preach here on November 19th.
- **Kara Carter has** resigned from Wellesley, as of December Pray for her and the church.
- **Pray for Ukraine.**
- **Remember the work** of Mennonite Central Committee.
- **Our university students** are in the reading week. Pray for strength and endurance.
- **"Blessed are the peacemakers."** Jesus of Nazareth

**Please join us** for an open house to celebrate our parents, **Albert & Irene Leis' 60th Wedding Anniversary.** It will be held on **October 15, 2023** from 2-4pm at Poole Church. Your presence is our cherished gift.  **60th Anniversary**

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

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 Mennonite Church. Contact Eva at 519-496-1886 for more info about this fun and meaningful opportunity!

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

**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

**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. **If you know anyone else who would like to go, they are welcome too.**



**Community/Cluster**

**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>

**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. 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”*

