



Poole Mennonite Church

November 5, 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	<i>Come Let Us All Unite to Sing</i>	VT # 9
	<i>Open My Eyes</i>	VT # 738



Offering Prayer (plate on the table in the narthex)

By Peaceful Water update Leah Cressman

Childrens' Time

Scripture Readings John 9:1-38 (NIV)

Message **Claim Your Name** Leah Cressman

Hymn of Response *Longing for Light* VT # 715

Celebration Jar

Sharing of our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Closing Song *Thou My Vision* VT # 549

Benediction

We welcome Leah Cressman to our pulpit this morning. Leah is a mother of two, a wife, a therapist, and has many family connections to Poole Church. She is here to speak as a therapist & Healing Retreat coordinator from By Peaceful Waters, a local Christian Counselling Agency. We welcome a meaningful time of worship followed by conversation and coffee & snack following.

Thanks to Ruth, Karina, 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: 75

Today - Sunday School Children made treats for coffee time. The donation will be used to purchase gifts for under privileged children this Christmas through Adopt A Family Milverton

REJOICE RENEWAL TIME It is that time of year again to consider your REJOICE devotional subscription. Whether you would like to renew or would like to start a new subscription contact Justyne. REJOICE is a quarterly Devotional Magazine published by Menno Media. Cost for the annual subscription is \$51.26. Deadline for renewal is November 20th. Payments are to be made to Poole Mennonite Church with memo Rejoice. Be sure to contact Justyne before the 20th so you don't miss out

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- Poole Person to remember **Harold Gascho**. Happy 95 Birthday to Harold on Saturday Nov. 11.
- **Remember Lloyd & Jean Erb**. Lloyd continues with physiotherapy.
- **Pray for Wanda Hagen**, and Josslyn & Bobbi too. Wanda had surgery on Friday in London to open a blocked bile duct and have a stent put in. She continues to wait for test results. Pray for healing.
- **Peter Troester** had knee surgery. Pray for his recovery.
- **Praise God** for the sunshine this week.
- **Pray for Loaves** and Fishes Food Bank. The committee meets on Tuesday to plan for the Christmas season.
- **Pray for Doug Klassen**. He is the executive secretary of Mennonite Church Canada and will be here on November 19th. **THERE WILL BE A POTLUCK TOO!!!**
- **Pray for a ceasefire** everywhere
- **Be blessed by God**, & be a blessing to others.



The jar for inspirational notes for Fred is in the entrance in front of bulletin board.

“New Books in the Library. Check them out!” Anita & Doreen The Grebel Archives will give us a tour of Poole's collection there. If interested please contact Fred. It is for our 150th celebration.

Coming Event

Tues. Nov. 7: PWIM at 9am with quilting, knotting & fellowship. Coffee & Tea are provided. Everyone is welcome.



Our book study will be looking at **MAiD**, Wednesday at 7: 30 pm. Talk to Fred if interested



Sat. Nov. 11, 2023 MCEC Equipping Day “...the wind knows it no more” – an equipping day on saying farewell.

A day for pastors, chaplains, congregational leaders and all who are interested to talk about green funerals, funeral planning, advanced care planning, MAiD (Medical assistance in dying) and palliative care. All are welcome. 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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We will be celebrating and lamenting for **Peace Sunday** next week.



MCC Peace Buttons are available at the back table. “To Remember is to Work for Peace” is pertinent around Remembrance Day.

Tues Nov. 14: Church Council -7pm Reports due today.

Nov. 17: Poole, Wellesley & Crosshill congregations are hosting a play, " " Theatre of the Beat Presents: **I Love You and it Hurts** " at Crosshill. We **need two volunteers** to help at the merchandise table. Talk to Fred if you can help.

Sun. Nov. 19: Guest Speaker: Doug Klassen & Pot Luck

Tentative: Breakfast with Pastor Fred. Friday Nov. 24 At Schmidtsville Restaurant (Wellesley) at 8:00am.



Nov. 26: Eternity Sunday. We will have an opportunity to remember those of our congregation who have passed away this year. Talk to Janet or Fred if you want your loved one to be remembered. (Who is not a member).

Rheo Thompson Fundraiser, to support those affected by the fires in Western Canada. Submit your form & payment in today, to Joyce Gerber or Karina Ropp

Gift Cards – Please feel free to pick up an order form for Gift Cards at the back of the church. Forms need to be returned to Connie Jantzi by Nov 26th. You can also pay for these cards by cash, chq or etransfer If you have any questions, call me at 519-276-1110.

Community/Cluster

We know that hunger can happen to anyone, anywhere, at any time, and this includes our own, family, friends, colleagues and members. The month of November, Kindred Credit Union will be participating in a Fall Food Drive. They are collecting non-perishables & financial donations for **Loaves and Fishes Food Bank**. “**Kindred will be matching all financial contributions up to \$3,000 per branch.**”

Tues. Nov. 7: Wellesley Blood Donor Clinic 2-8pm. At Wellesley Community Centre



Fri. Nov. 10: Amos & Margaret Raber Family At Wallenstein Bible Chapel – 7:30pm. Fundraiser for the Community Tent Revival Meetings by Gospel Express Ministries August 2024.

Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp's Annual General Meeting is on **Tues. Nov. 21** from 6:30-8:30pm at Tavistock Mennonite Church. Join us, either in person or virtually, for a short meeting, hear stories of impact from Mano Watsa and Watsa Basketball Camp coaches. RSVP to admin@hiddenacres.ca or 519-625-8602.

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