

Poole Mennonite Church

March 10, 2024

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

Prelude **4rd Sunday of Lent**

Announcements

A Wing and A Prayer

Welcome & Call to Worship & Prayer

Opening Songs *Come let us all unite to Sing* VT # 7

Prepare the Way! The Prophet Called VT # 220

(Anniversary Song)

Offering Prayer (plate on the table in the narthex)

Childrens' Time

Scripture Readings Numbers 21: 4-9
John 3:14-21

Message **"Christ Among Us : Showing Us Mercy"**
Pastor Fred Redekop

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

Sharing of our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Closing Song *Lead Me* VT # 601

Benediction

Welcome to POOLE MENNONITE CHURCH. Today's sermon passage is about Nicodemus coming to Jesus at night. May the Lord bless you this morning as we worship together.

Following the service, get a coffee & cookie, and return to the worship space for reflection on the sermon, songs and scripture.

Thanks to Bonnie, Wendy, Jenni, Sheila, 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: 75

'Tis the season...for cold and flu. A reminder not to attend church if you are feeling unwell and that masks continue to be optional.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- Poole Person to remember **Eva Schneider**
- **Remember Glenda Byrd.** She is at Hospice in Stratford.
- **Remember in prayer Irene Leis** as she is back in the hospital. Irene and Ab have now been diagnosed with Covid.
- **Lyle Jantzi is preparing** for radiation and chemotherapy to treat his esophageal cancer. Pray for Lyle and Connie.
- **This week is** Week Four of Lent. Draw closer to God.
- **Pray for Janet Brenneman.** She will come for the Anniversary weekend to lead our singing. She grew up here at Poole.
- **Pray for Darlene Gerber** as she directs the Poole People Players for the play " A Wing and A Prayer "
- **Pray for a ceasefire** in all of Gaza, the release of all prisoners and humanitarian aid for the people of Gaza.
- **Be a blessing** to others, as you remember that you are a blessed child of God.

If you have any pictures, books or historical items from our history, please contact Fred and Janet. We will have a display table on the Anniversary weekend.

If you would appreciate a pastoral visit from Fred, please call him at the church or email him at fred.redekop@gmail.com. morning or afternoon or night.



Coming Event

Mon. Mar. 11: Donate Blood - 2 to 8pm.
Wellesley Community Centre



A hybrid Lent study experience at 6:00 pm on Wednesday.
Email Fred for Zoom details.

Mar. 17: Guest Speaker- **Dean Shoemaker**. He works for
Mennonite Economic Development Associates (MEDA)

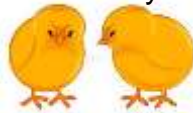
Wed. Mar. 20: Donate Blood -1 to 7pm. Perth East Rec

Mar. 22: Breakfast with Pastor Fred at Schmidtsville – 8am

Wed. Mar. 27: Church Council 7pm. Reports due Mar. 17.

Mar 29: Good Friday service at 10am with communion

Mar 31 - Sunrise breakfast at 8:30am and Easter Sunday
service at 10am. Also, we will have live chicks
for the children (and adults!!). Thanks Norm.

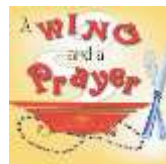


Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp's 40th Annual Bowlathon
is on April 6th! This is one of the camp's main annual
fundraising events with last year's Bowlathon raising
almost \$30,000! You can show your support by making a donation
at hiddenacres.ca/donate, and select "Annual Bowlathon" from the
list, **or Jen Leis and Ruth Bahr** will once again be representing
Poole Church at the Hidden Acres Bowl-A-Thon Fundraiser.
Please talk to Jen, Ruth or Janet to sponsor the ladies in their
valiant effort to raise money for this cause.



Poole People Players presents:

A Wing and a Prayer on April 11, 12 & 13
at the Perc in Milverton. Tickets out next week!



We need your help to serve our guests at the Play



Sign-up sheet on Mission Bulletin Board;
Thursday, Friday, both Saturday. performances
or contact: **Catherine Reimer: 226-749-1514**

Community/Cluster

Mon. Mar. 11: Grandparent & Grandchild

Retreat at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp @ 9:15 a.m. - 2:30
p.m. Grandparents and grandchildren in grades 1-6 are invited to
camp to "Discover God through the Creative Process" with Mike
Vlaming, owner of Little Creek Pottery. Join us for a day of
creativity, fun and connecting! For more information or to register
go to our website www.hiddenacres.ca

Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp Hiring for our 2024 Summer
Staff Team! Are you or is someone you know looking for a
summer job filled with meaning, friendships and fun? Apply to
join our 2024 Summer Staff Team! Check out our website at
www.hiddenacres.ca for available positions, information and to
apply. Connect our Program Director, Josh Penfold at
josh@hiddenacres.ca with any questions.

Gospel Echoes Team – Sharing Christ in Prison

Mar. 24 - 7:30pm. at Maple View Mennonite Church. See poster

Join the Waterloo Network Hub their Annual Spring Banquet on
Saturday, April 20th, at [Shantz Mennonite Church](#) located at
2473 Erbs Rd, Baden. Hosted by Gary & Brenda Leis, live
music, dinner, welcoming remarks by Dorothy Nyambi, President
and CEO of MEDA, presentation by Katelynn Folkerts with
MEDA on Cassava Seed Systems. Doors open at 5:30 pm,
dinner at 6:00 pm. Cost: \$55.00 per person. Register online by
April 12th at: <https://www.meda.org/events/>.

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