

Poole Mennonite Church

March 3, 2024

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

Prelude **3rd Sunday of Lent**



Announcements

A Wing and A Prayer

Welcome & Call to Worship & Prayer

Opening Songs *We Praise You, O God, . . .* VT # 34

Holy Spirit, Come with Power VT # 57

Offering Prayer (plate on the table in the narthex)

Childrens' Time

Scripture Readings Exodus 20: 1-17

John 2: 13-22

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

Hymn of Response *Let Us Walk Together* VT # 6
(Anniversary Song)

Celebration Jar

Sharing of our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Closing Song *Rain Down* VT # 703

Benediction

Welcome to POOLE MENNONITE CHURCH. We are celebrating 150 years here at Poole in 2024. Our Anniversary Service will be on June 2. Please invite people who have been part of the church over our history. Today's service is on the text from Exodus 20:1-17 and John 2:13-22 Following the service, get a coffee, and return to the worship space for reflection on the sermon, songs and scripture.

Thanks to Conne Gerlach, Karina Ropp, and the Audio- Visual booth for their roles in the service.

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

Last Sunday Attendance: 68

'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 **Harold Gascho**
- **Pray for Lyle & Connie** Jantzi. Lyle has been diagnosed with esophageal cancer.
- **Irene Leis returned** home from the hospital on Monday. Pray for her healing.
- **Arthur Poole is** at home waiting for next steps in his treatment. He has cracked vertebrae in his neck. Pray for his healing.
- **Remember pray for Wanda** Hagen and her family as Wanda continues treatment next week.
- **Thanks for your** generosity to the Poole Church. We passed our \$238,000 budget at the annual meeting last week.
- **Pray for peace** to come to the Gaza Strip.
- **Pray for Mennonite** World Conference.
- **Pray for Anne** Schultz, interim executive minister at MCEC.
- **Pray for our** personal and congregational journeys in Lent. It is LENT 3 this Sunday.



Thank you to the food committee and Joyce Gerber & Doreen Roth for the delicious snacks and the coffee before the annual meeting.

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.



Update on "email and phone chain for Inclement Weather"

We are not renewing the phone blast subscription, so, **we will send out church cancellations by email and phone chains.** Please check your email before church on snowy days. If you want to be added to either email/phone lists, please let us know.



Coming Event

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

Tues Mar. 5: PWIM - All Ladies are welcome for quilting, comforter knotting & fellowship. We begin at 9am but you are welcome to come and go throughout the day. Bring your lunch. Coffee & Tea provided



Mar. 17: Guest Speaker- **Dean Shoemaker** from MEDA.

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



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

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

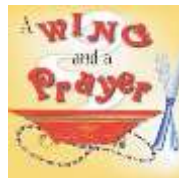
Wed. Mar. 27: Church Council 7pm. Reports due Mar. 17.

Mar 29: Good Friday service at 10am with communion

Mar 31 - Sunrise breakfast at 8:30am and Easter Sunday service at 10am

Poole People Players presents:

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



Community/Cluster

Sat. Mar. 9, 7:30pm: Menno Singers with Artistic Director Brandon Leis present 'At the Foot of the Cross,' with cellist **Ben Bolt-Martin** and **Menno Youth Ensemble.** The concert includes Bach's *Jesu Meine Freude* and works by Morlock, Tavener, Casarrubbios and Carol Ann Weaver. Trillium Lutheran Church (22 Willow St., Waterloo). Tickets \$25, Child/Student \$5 at www.mennosingers.com or at the door.



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.

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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