Community/Cluster

The working Centre is looking for assistance in making beds in their newly renovated housing complex at 97 Victoria St. N, Kitchener. This light work needs to be completed this week before new residents can move in. Sheets and pillows are in the rooms and the beds simply need to be made. A scheduled time for this work has been set for Wednesday, Oct 28, starting at 9:30 am. Depending on your schedule, you can arrive anytime during the day. If you are able to help in this way, please contact Greg Yantzi pastor@nithvalleymennonite.com

Nov 7: Afternoon tea in Millbank-hosted by Rose Pugh and Millbank Heritage and Arts Society. This event will take place Saturday, November 7th and tickets need to be purchased by November 1st.

Sat, Nov 28: Journey to Bethlehem A nativity re-creation with live animals at St. Peters Lutheran Church, Perth East. 4 & 7 pm

Fri. Nov. 6: 7:30pm at St Jacobs Mennonite Church (1310 King St N, St Jacobs**). Menno Singers, with Artistic Director Brandon Leis**, presents its first concert of the year, 'Pale Blue Dot Earth', a musical exploration of the seasons and places of our world. The concert also includes Lieder and Art songs performed by tenor Brandon Leis and pianist Charmaine Fopoussi. Tickets available at www.mennosingers.com or at the door.

Sat. Nov 7: 7 pm St Paul's United Church, Milverton is hosting a Songs for Remembrance evening featuring songs from WWI and WWII and Narration from local memoirs. Suggested donation of $20 at the door.

Fair Trade Pop-Up Coming to New Hamburg: The Village Fair is a new local not-for-profit working to carry forward the fair trade mission of Ten Thousand Villages. Shop a beautiful selection of fairly traded, handcrafted products made by artisans around the world - **Dates:** November 12–14, 19–21 and 26–28

Hours: Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m.–7 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. **Location:** 112 Peel Street, New Hamburg. Volunteers are also needed. To get involved, email **info@thevillagefair.ca**.

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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

Opening Songs VT 84 - To God Be The Glory
VT 653 – Nothing is Lost on the Breath of God

Offering Prayer (plate in the narthex)

Children's Time

Scripture Readings - **Luke 15:1-2, 11-32**

Sermon **"The (Other) Lost Son" – Ken Driedger**

Hymn of Response VT 660 – The Lord is My Shepherd

Sharing of our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral & Lord's Prayer

Closing Song VT 163 – Amazing Grace

Benediction

We seek to be a welcoming and hospitable community of faith. Following worship and refreshments, you are welcome to return to the sanctuary for a time of reflection.

Thanks to Wayne Gerber, Bonnie Ropp, Paul Jantzi, Ken Driedger, and the **Audio-Visual booth f**or their roles the service.

Sunday Morning at 9:30: All are welcome in Pastor Ken's office for a time of prayer prior to the service to ready our hearts.

Sunday Attendance: **67**

Secretary News: **Janet** on holidays till Nov.16. Sandra is doing the bulletin. Still same email or call (519) 616-4510.
Justyne Brett is stepping down from being Treasurer as of Dec. 31. If anyone is interested in the treasurer job, please talk to Liz.

PRAYER & PRAISE

- Poole People to remember – all of your brothers and sisters
- Thank God for our pastoral search committee. Pray that the Holy Spirit would give them clear leadership as decisions come to them regarding our next pastor.
- Liz Van Den Tempel has another chemo treatment on Oct 29. Let's pray for her to tolerate the treatment and that she will have minimal side effects
- Donna Schultz is still in recovery from her stroke. Let's pray that it continues to a full recovery of vision and of strength without any setbacks.
- Mary Leis is still in Stratford hospital with diverticulitis and a surgical wound infection. Let's continue to pray for recovery so she can return home soon.
- Ken Jutzi was transferred to Victoria Hospital in London to treat the weakness, pain and infection in his legs. Let's keep praying for healing.
- The Worship Committee would like to use funds from the Celebration Jar to send out a small gift to those in post-secondary education around Christmas again; to let them know we are praying for them. Please connect with Bonnie, Winston, BettyAnn or Wendy if you know of someone that would appreciate receiving this.
- Think of Janet and Delmar as they visit their daughter in New Zealand. Pray for a restful vacation and that they can enjoy this time together as a family

The Pastoral Search Committee and Church council is pleased to announce that we have a candidate for the full-time lead pastor position, Joel Wallman. We are in the process of planning events on Sat, Nov 7 and Sun, Nov 8 for us to meet. Both formal and informal events, including Sunday morning worship, will be planned and communicated shortly for the weekend and we hope that many can attend. A secret ballot vote will be held prior to the worship service on Nov 22 and we will have a process for voting if you are unable to attend. Please continue to be in prayer as we discern God's calling for Joel to formally join us at PMC.

Nov 1: Pastor Ken
Nov 8: **candidating weekend with Joel Wallman, plan to attend**
Nov 15: Ruth Bahr
Nov 22: Pastor Ken - Eternity Sunday

PWIM – Tues, Nov 3 – 9 am. All ladies invited to come for quilting, comforter knotting & fellowship. Come all day, or part day. Bring your lunch. Coffee & tea are provided.

The Over 50 Committee is planning a Drayton Entertainment Christmas event for the performance, **"*All Is Calm: The Christmas Truce of 1914*"** at the Schoolhouse Theatre in St. Jacobs on **Fri, Dec. 18** at 2pm. 30 tickets are reserved and numbers are needed **by Nov. 15** as well as payment of $55 / ticket to any committee member. We will be going to the Harvest Moon Restaurant in St. Jacobs for supper after the performance. The cost of our meal is not included in the ticket price. For those who wish to attend the performance only, or join us for supper only, feel free to do so. There is a sign-up sheet posted for both events. Hope to see you there. Bud & Ruth, Wayne & Phyllis, Rod & Cheryl. See poster

Nov 22 is Eternity Sunday and we would like to celebrate the lives of those from our church family and community who have died in the past year. Please speak to pastor Ken if you are interested in participating. We will encourage you to light a candle, share or choose a song to sing that was important for them. All are welcome to bring a flower in remembrance.