

***Sunday, May 28, 2017***



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*Welcome to our worship service. May you be blessed as you meet God and be empowered for the week ahead.*

*Sunday, May 28, 2017 9:30 a.m.*

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Worship Leader: Jennifer Krotz

Speaker: Pastor Ben Cassels

Congregational Prayer: Rev. Bertha Landers

Accompanist: Karen Enns

Scripture Reader: Jennifer Krotz

Choir: Laura Enns

Nursery Volunteers: Marg and Gerry Hunter

Children's Time: Hilda Krotz

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*Children are welcome in the worship service or supervision for young children is available in the Nursery along the Administration Hallway following the Children's Time in the service.*

**Worship Focus:** *"I'm not praying only for them but also for those who believe in me because of their word." (John 17: 20)*

## **GATHERING**

Prelude

Hymn: *"Rejoice, the Lord is King"*

HWB # 288

Welcome / Work and Care of the Church

Call to Worship - in unison

If you are delighted to be here,  
and if you are tired or troubled,  
you are welcome.

If your faith is strong,  
and if your faith is battered or frail,  
you are welcome.

If you are eager to praise God,  
and if you need to be quiet,  
you are welcome.

God welcomes us all to worship today  
and promises to meet us here.

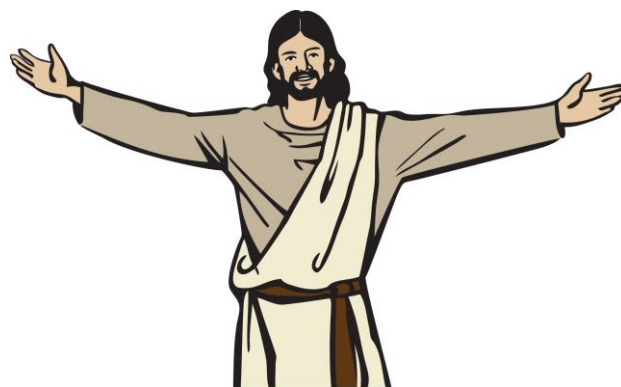
Prayer of Invocation

Hymn: *"Calm me, Lord"*

Sing three times

STS # 45

Prayer of Confession/Words of Assurance



# Wide Open

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture I: John 17: 1-11

(New Testament)

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Hymn: *"In Christ there is no East or West"*  
(Children come forward on the last verse)

HWB # 306

Time with the Children

Song of Blessing: *"We will follow"*

STS # 40

Congregational Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.



Offering

Offering Prayer in unison:

STJ # 147

Anthem: Hymn Medley No. 2

arr. E. Wild

Scripture II: John 17: 12-21

(New Testament)

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Sermon: **"Jesus Prays for Us"**

## RESPONDING TO THE STORY

Hymn of Response: *"Somebody prayed for me"* vs. 1-3, 6 STS # 120

Benediction

Postlude

***Welcome to our visitors!*** We hope our time of worship has been an encouragement to you. Please sign our guest book in the front foyer. God bless you and we hope to see you again!



## TODAY AT W-K

- 9:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School for Children and Youth  
10:30 a.m. Coffee Break  
10:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School – Jake Martin White – “The Book of Revelation”

### Next Sunday – June 4, 2017 ***Pentecost Sunday***

- 9:30 a.m. *Worship Service with Communion*  
*Pastor Ben Cassels*

Lectionary Readings: *Acts 2: 1-21*                      *John 3: 1-8*

- 10:00 a.m. *Children’s Sunday School*

- 10:30 a.m. *Coffee Break*

- 10:45 a.m. *Adult Sunday School – Jake Martin White - “The Book of Revelation”.*



## **CHURCH FAMILY NOTES CONGREGATIONAL NOTES**



### Church Office Hours

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Wednesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Please note:** A brief congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> immediately following the service.

### Parish Nurse Clinic Hours

***Waterloo Mennonite Homes*** – Tuesday 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

***W-K United Mennonite Church*** – Thursday 11:00 a.m. - Noon

**Financial Report:** Thank you for your offering of May 21<sup>st</sup>



## This Week at W-K

Tuesday, May 30	Noon	Silver Spoons
	1:00 p.m.	Knotty Knotters
	1:00 p.m.	Worship Team - Lounge
	6:30 p.m.	IMCC Parents - Lounge
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study – Room 7
Wednesday, May 31	10:00 a.m.	Belonging Place
	7:30 p.m.	Jubilation Chorus Rehearsal
Thursday, June 1	10:00 a.m.	WALC - gym
Friday, May 26	1:00 p.m.	House of Friendship - gym

**Mission Circle:** Please note that Mission Circle is finished until the fall. There will be no Wednesday meetings during the summer.

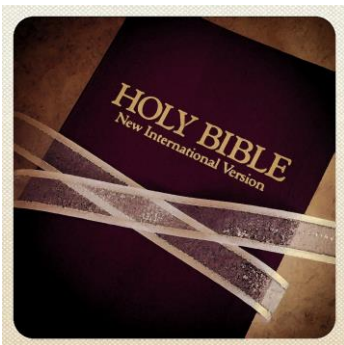


**The Knotty Knotters** will meet in the Basement on May 30<sup>th</sup>. All ladies are welcome to come and join the stitching party!



Save the date: **Our Annual Church Clean-up Day** will be held on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> beginning at 3:00 p.m. Watch for more information next week.

The next **W-K Lunch Bunch** will take place on Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. at Fireside Deli and Family Restaurant at 800 Ottawa Street South in Kitchener. (corner of Ottawa and Strasburg). All women are welcome to join for food and fellowship.



**Bibles for 12-Year-Olds:** On Promotion Sunday, June 11, our 12-year-olds will receive a Bible from the congregation. We want to make this gift even more special and filled with our church's blessing and prayers. The Bibles, labelled with the children's names, are at a table in the foyer, with pens and highlighters. Please take a few minutes to highlight a particularly meaningful passage to you in each of the Bibles and include a note of blessing too.



**The annual Promotion Ceremony** and BBQ for all who are part of our Sunday School nurturing, right from Cradle Roll on up, is scheduled for June 11. Help us affirm the progress of our children, by participating! After recognizing the various graduates (and enjoying a musical piece or two from the kids) during our regular service, plan on joining us for games on the church lawn that start at 11:00 am, and a sausage lunch soon afterwards.

### **Hymn Sing and Update on Three-Church Conversations:**

On Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. – come to Waterloo North Mennonite Church (100 Benjamin Rd., Waterloo) for a hymn sing and update on the conversations between W-K, Erb Street, and Waterloo North Mennonite Churches. We will worship together again, as we did on Good Friday, and hear how God is leading our conversations together so far. Refreshments will be provided.



**HEATING  
FUND**

**Boiler Replacement:** Would you like to be warm at church next winter? We are moving ahead with the replacement of the boiler and the decision has been made to raise money outside of the budget to cover the cost. The work has been contracted to commence in June. Any donations towards this project would be greatly appreciated.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, YOUNG ADULTS AND YOUNG AT HEART



**Calling all students age 4 to grade 8.** God's Great Get-Together at Boobab Blast won't be the same without you! Don't miss out on Vacation Bible Camp, July 17-21, from 9am to 12noon at Knox Presbyterian Church. Register online at [wkumchurch.ca](http://wkumchurch.ca) Scholarships are available!

**Adults and Teenagers** - WE NEED YOUR HELP! Vacation Bible Camp is a partnership between W-K, Erb Street, Waterloo North, and Knox. We're expecting 150 kids for the week and we need your energy and involvement! Would you be willing to chaperone a group of about 10 children? Or help lead crafts? Or prepare snacks with other volunteers in the kitchen? Or just be a friendly and helpful presence? Or be involved in some other way? Talk to Pastor Ben. (Youth - this is a great way to earn those community volunteer hours!)

**Adult-ish Campfire:** The next W-K Adult-ish get together (for those done high school into their 30's) is a Campfire Cookout on Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Rachel Pauls is our host and you are welcome anytime after 4pm at 223 Misty Court, Kitchener. Bring a lawn chair, something shareable (salad, dessert, treat), and a favourite lawn game too.



## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

### **Healthy Reflections – Body, Mind and Spirit**



Where do we turn when the burdens of life seem difficult to bear? We wait upon the Lord.....



“When the cares of my heart are many, your consolations cheer my soul... The Lord has become my stronghold, and my God the rock of my refuge.”

Psalm 94:19 and 22

**NEW – Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> – 3:30- 5:00 p.m. in the gym**

### **Life and Death Matters – a café style discussion group**

This café might be for you if you or your family have recently experienced a significant life transition..... the death of a loved one, a family break-up, health changes or other challenges in your family life.....

- Have you been experiencing a sense of grief or loss?
- Perhaps you have the feeling of being overwhelmed by what life is currently asking of you?

- Maybe you just need a space to process a significant life event?

Let's join together in this informal discussion group, gathering strength from each other and the opportunity to give voice to our joys and sorrows. Discussion topics will emerge from the groups needs with minimal formal direction. All matter of concerns challenge us throughout life and death – come and share in this safe space. Facilitator: Karen Watson, Parish Nurse



(See poster Health and Wellness Bulletin Board in the sanctuary foyer)

**WALC – Active Living Exercise Class:** - final class for the season will be Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. The class is each Thursday from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. in the gym.

### **Community Health & Wellness events:**

**Caregiver Support Education Series** by Community Support Connections. Begins on Saturdays starting June 3<sup>rd</sup> for four weeks – for more information call Linda at 519-772-8787 ext 210

**Parenting with Passion:** several evening, one day and multiple week workshops with KW Counselling – 519-884-0000 for more information or to register.

1. Sex, Technology and Safety – will be held on Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at KW Counselling.
2. Positive Discipline, Cooperative Kids – will be held Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Resurrection Catholic Secondary School.

### **WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY**



**Jubilation Male Chorus Spring Benefit Concert** - will be held on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:00 p.m., here at W-KUM Church. Come and enjoy “a great evening of music.” Our Benefit project this spring is **Reception House of Waterloo Region.**

Poster on Bulletin Board # 4.

**Sunday, June 4, 2:30 p.m.** at Detweiler Meeting House, 3445 Roseville Road, Roseville. "Stiff Family Singers" is a new Gospel Bluegrass program by a popular Wellesley musical family. A freewill offering in support of Meetinghouse operations will be held. Everyone is welcome. For more information please contact Laurence Martin at 519-208-4591.



**Rockway's Spring Concert – June 8, 2017 @ 6:45 p.m.** Please join us at Rockway for this night of vocal and orchestral music. No tickets required.

**Kids!! Love to sing?** The Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir offers a chance for children ages 6-14 to have an excellent music education experience while singing with their friends. Learn music from varying eras, proper voice techniques, and grow in self-confidence and performance skills. Registration for Fall 2017 has begun!. The registration link is available at [www.mennosingers.com/imcc](http://www.mennosingers.com/imcc) (under Join the Choir) or email [imcc.conductor@rogers.com](mailto:imcc.conductor@rogers.com) for more info.

**Sunday, May 28, 2;30 p.m.** at Detweiler Meeting House, 3445 Roseville Road, Roseville. A "Community Memorial Service" will provide opportunity for persons with connections to the Roseville Cemetery at Detweiler Meetinghouse to reflect on the cloud of witnesses that have gone before us. The brief worship service will be led by Scott Brubaker-Zehr, pastor of Rockway Mennonite Church. The service will be followed by an informal "cemetery walk" highlighting some of those buried in the cemetery. A freewill offering in support of Meetinghouse operations will be held. Everyone welcome. More information: Laurence Martin, 519-208-4591



**The Ultimate Alumni Picnic, Saturday, June 3, 11:30 am – 3:30 p.m, rain or shine at Rockway Mennonite Collegiate** - Bring your lawn chairs,

blankets and snacks and beverages (alcohol-free) for an afternoon of fun with Alumni and families - *all ages welcome!* Share a BBQ lunch for a small cost. Then enjoy some ultimate Frisbee before the final match-up between Alumni and Rockway's Ultimate Team. We will have family mini-soccer set up in the ball diamond area and the gym open with equipment available for use by families. There's NO charge for admission, but please let us know if you'll be there and if you'd like to play on the Alumni ultimate team. Please RSVP by May 31, to [advancement@rockway.ca](mailto:advancement@rockway.ca) or 519-743-5209 x3011

**Annual General Meeting for United Mennonite Home for the Aged** - on June 3, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in the Chapel Meeting Hall at the Home on 23rd Street, Vineland, Ontario. A quorum of 25 people is required to hold the meeting. They will be electing one new board member. Annual reports are on the chair in the narthex of the church.

**A Man's Spiritual Path: Up and Down - Mennonite Men Ontario Retreat 2017.** Led by Ontario pastor Scott Brubaker-Zehr with music by Brian Moyer-Suderman, this year's event is a home-grown event, and is set to

offer another meaningful time of worship and considering our spiritual lives as men. We will be gathering at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp again, with a similar Friday evening and all day Saturday event, June 9th and 10th. See Wally Dirks or Karl Dick for info on what we did 3 years ago, and how to register. Event Organizers: Don Neufeld ([don.neufeld@bell.net](mailto:don.neufeld@bell.net)) and Hans Peters ([hansp@competers.com](mailto:hansp@competers.com))

**Family Camping Weekend at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp** is quickly approaching. This year's Family Camping Weekend will take place June 30<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pitch a tent, park a trailer or camp in a cabin and come and enjoy God's beautiful creation. For more information visit [www.hiddenacres.ca](http://www.hiddenacres.ca) or to reserve a cabin, call [\(519\) 625-8602](tel:5196258602) or email [info@hiddenacres.ca](mailto:info@hiddenacres.ca).



***Note: The following two items are similar but are two separate events.***

**Theatre of the Beat**, a critically acclaimed drama troupe, along with musical group, **No Discernable Key**, will be presenting “**Yellow Bellies**” at Steinmann Mennonite Church on Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:30 p.m. This is a historical drama that highlights the experience and response to Mennonite Conscientious Objectors during WWII. Join for a thought-provoking theatre experience like no other. Admission is free. See the poster on Bulletin Board # 4 for more information.

**Mennonite Historical Society of Ontario** Annual General Meeting and performance of **Yellow Bellies** at **Floradale Mennonite Church** on Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. Meeting at **1:00 pm**. Performance times at **2:00 pm** and **7:00 pm**. Yellow Bellies is a historical drama with live music highlighting the experiences and public response to Mennonite Conscientious Objectors during WWII, written by Johnny Wideman and Rebecca Steiner. Tickets: \$20 (\$10 students/youth) available at the door. Proceeds of the performances will go towards a commemorative plaque at the Montreal River conscientious objector camp. More information at [mhso.org](http://mhso.org)

The annual **Out-Spok'n Bike-a-thon for Affordable Housing** will be held on Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 a.m., leaving from Elmira Mennonite Church, 58 Church Street West in Elmira. You can register at the event or online at [www.mennohomes.com](http://www.mennohomes.com) See the poster on Bulletin Board # 4.

