

*Sunday, October 1, 2017*

# WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



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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, October 1, 2017 9:30 a.m.*

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Worship Leader: Helen Baergen

Speaker: Pastor Ben Cassels

Congregational Prayer: Pastor Ben Cassels

Organist: Karen Enns

Scripture Reader : Ben Stobbe

Choir: Laura Enns

Nursery Volunteer: Rita Reimer

Children's Story: Hilda Krotz

Communion Servers: Karl Dick, Karen Watson, Andy and Laurie Staller

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*Children are welcome in the worship service or younger children may be taken to the Nursery along the Administration Hallway following the Children's Story.*

**Worship Focus:** *On this World Communion Sunday, Jesus' parable of the Tenant Farmers leads us to contemplate the wondrous gift of Jesus' sacrifice for all people.*

## **WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE**

Prelude

Gathering Words of Scripture

Welcome / Work and Care of the Church

Call to Worship:

Leader: Today we gather for worship with Christians near and far.

**People: Together, we are the People of God!**

Leader: Though we differ in how we do our worship,

**People: Together, we are brothers and sisters in Christ!**

Leader: For we are all disciples of one Teacher:

**People: Jesus, the Word made flesh, dwelling among all of us!**

Leader: Today we celebrate the work of God among us, within us, and through us.

**People: Together we are vessels for the receiving and outpouring of God's Love!**

**All: Come, let us worship the God who loves and sustains us all!**



**Brothers and Sisters  
in Christ**

Prayer of Invocation

Hymns of Praise: *“O worship the Lord”*

HWB # 124

*“This little light of mine”*

HWB # 401

Confession and Words of Assurance: *“Oh, Lord have mercy”* STJ # 47

Scripture I: Isaiah 5: 1-7

(Old Testament)

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## **WE PRAY AND SHARE GOD’S GIFTS**

Hymn: *“Thou true Vine, that heals”*

HWB # 373

(Children come forward on the last verse)

Children’s Time

Song of Blessing: *“Alleluia”*

STJ # 41

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 and Prayer

## **WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S MESSAGE**

Scripture II: Matthew 21: 33-46

(New Testament)

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Sermon: **“God’s Vineyard”**

## **WE JOIN IN COMMUNION WITH CHRISTIANS AROUND THE WORLD**

Hymn: *“Put peace into each other’s hands”*

STJ # 87

Communion

## **WE ARE SENT INTO GOD’S SERVICE**

Hymn of Response: *“Guide my feet”*

STJ # 44

Benediction

**Prayer and Anointing:**

*Following the service, those who wish may remain in the sanctuary for a time of quiet prayer and reflection. Karen Watson will be available at the front for anointing and prayer for your individual need or for others. Congregational greetings are in the lower foyer.*

**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 and join us for coffee and fellowship in the gym hallway. God bless you and we hope to see you again!

**TODAY AT W-K**

- 9:30 a.m.   Worship with Communion – Prayer and Anointing to follow
- 10:00 a.m.   Sunday School for Children
- 10:45 a.m.   Coffee Break
- 10:45 a.m.   Youth Sunday School – Youth Room
- 11:00 a.m.   Adult Sunday School - Basement - *In the final session of our Amish "colouring book" series, we'll test the idea of silently meditating on the themes suggested by the traditional art work, together with the book's devotional excerpts and the possibilities of our own journaling. Near the end of the hour, we'll share some insights.*
- Noon           Mary Allen Studio tour in the gym until 6:00 p.m.

**Next Sunday – October 8, 2017**

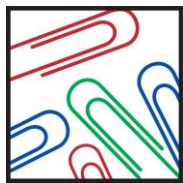
**Thanksgiving Sunday and**

**Designation of Rudy Baergen as Pastor Emeritus**

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| 9:30 a.m.  | <i>Worship Service</i>   | <i>Pastor Ben Cassels</i> |
| Lectionary | <i>Deuteronomy 8: 1-10</i>                                       | <i>Psalm 65</i>           |
| Readings:  | <i>2 Corinthians 9: 6-15</i>                                     | <i>Luke 17: 11-19</i>     |
| 10:00 a.m. | No Children, Youth or Adult Sunday School                        |                           |
| 10:30 a.m. | Coffee and fellowship with Rudy and Helen Baergen in the Lounge. |                           |



## CONGREGATIONAL NOTES



### Office Hours

### 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.

### Parish Nurse Clinic Hours

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

**Waterloo-Kitchener United Mennonite Church** – Thursday, 11:00 a.m. - Noon

**Financial Report:** Thank you for your offering of September 24<sup>th</sup> and for the pre-authorized withdrawal offering of September 27<sup>th</sup>

### This Week at W-K

Tuesday, October 3	Noon	Silver Spoons
	1:00 p.m.	Quilting Group
	1:00 p.m.	Worship Committee - Lounge
	6:00 p.m.	IMCC Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study – Room 7
Wednesday, October 4	9:00 a.m. - Noon	Mission Circle
	7:30 – 9:00 p.m.	Jubilation Chorus Rehearsal
Thursday, October 5	10:00 a.m.	WALC group - gym
	6:00 p.m.	Church Supper
Friday, October 6	1:00 p.m.	House of Friendship - gym
	6:00 p.m.	Set up for Mary Allen Studio Tour
Sunday, October 8	3:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Gym rental



**Pastor Emeritus:** Next Sunday, we will designate Rev. Rudy Baergen as Pastor Emeritus at W-KUM Church. Rev. Henry Paetkau from MCEC will join us to participate in this recognition of Rudy's lifelong ministry. There will be coffee and fellowship in the lounge following the service.

Everyone is cordially invited to share in this recognition and celebration.

Quilters will meet on Tuesday, October 3rd at 1:00 p.m. in the Basement. Come join in the fellowship and help with the new projects.



**Food  
Pantry  
Needs**

The Annual Fall Food Drive will continue until October 8<sup>th</sup>. We will gather contributions for the Waterloo Region Food Bank. Collection boxes are located in the foyer or donations can be placed in the white barrel on the basement stairwell.



**LUNCH BUNCH**  
The next W-K Women's Lunch Bunch will be on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 at Rustico Kitchen & Bar, 907 Victoria St. N in Kitchener. It sounds as if they would prefer a count of the number of people coming so I will ask for an RSVP this time. Please contact Vicki Dick by Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> if you plan to come.

Church Suppers will resume this week on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Have you signed up yet? Please sign the sheet on the courtyard window **today** if you would like to attend. Josh and Laura Enns will provide the program for this supper.



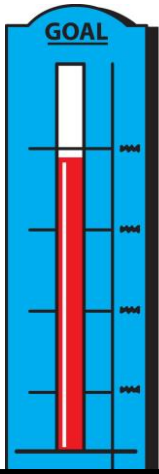
The Knotty Knotters are holding a quilt raffle. Proceeds from the raffle will go to support MCC Hurricane Relief. The draw will take place on Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the annual Servettes' Soup Luncheon. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Please talk to Gloria Dirks or Kathy Janzen for more information.



The Servettes Annual Borscht Luncheon will take place on Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon, following the morning worship and learning activities. Enjoy a delicious bowl of soup, fresh bread from City Café Bakery and dessert. A free-will offering will be taken with donations going to MCC.



## Boiler Fund Update



Thanks to all for your contributions thus far to our Boiler Fund. We appreciate your contributions – we are not quite there yet.

If you haven't had a chance to contribute please consider doing so within the next couple weeks, if possible. The new boiler has been installed and is ready to go!! Here is to staying warm this winter! ~ John Reimer on behalf of leadership.

## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

### Health and Wellness Church Programs:

- **Today: Prayer and Anointing** in the sanctuary, immediately following the worship service.
- **Today: Circle of Grace program** with the children. Please check with the Parish Nurse if you did not receive a parent information sheet and your child is in the Sunday School program.
- **Each Thursday from 10-11 AM – Wellness and Active Living (WALC) Fitness class** in the gym. This is a gentle class focussing on cardio, strength, balance and flexibility. No Fee! Everyone welcome!
- **Blood Pressure or Blood Glucose screening** is available at the weekly drop-in clinics on Tuesday at WMH and Thursday in the Parish Nurse's office.
- **October 15<sup>th</sup> – Dementia Friendly Communities** in Adult Sunday School time – a review and update with the Alzheimer's Society.
- **October 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 – Safe Church/Protection Plan and Anaphylaxis review:** If you are involved in Caring Friends, Sunday School and youth leadership, please plan to attend this annual review. Everyone welcome to this session as we collaborate to make our church a safe and healthy place for all children and vulnerable persons.





**The Sixth Annual Male Chorus Sing** will be held on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at 2:30 p.m. at the Detweiler Meeting House, 3445 Roseville Road, Roseville. Welcome to all former male quartet or chorus and want-to-be members who enjoy singing traditional male music, including gospel songs and anthems. Led by Laverne Martin, Charles Kruger and Laverne Brubacher. For more information contact Sam Steiner at 519-884-1040. Poster on Bulletin Board # 4.



**Conrad Grebel**  
University College

Thursday, October 5 at 4:00 pm - Join editor C. Arnold Snyder to celebrate the publication of *Later Writings of the Swiss Anabaptists, 1529-1592.*

Conrad Grebel University College Community Education Room.

[www.grebel.ca/events](http://www.grebel.ca/events)<<http://www.grebel.ca/events>>



Church Anniversary

**Erb Street Mennonite Church** (ESMC) in Waterloo is celebrating its 180<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Former members, relatives of current members, and friends are invited to join us for all or any of the events.

There will be a short service at ESMC cemetery, Fischer-Hallman (FH) and Erb Street at 9:30am (enter off FH or park in commercial lots at FH & Erb), worship at the church at 10:30am, noon potluck, recognition of First Nations lands, and lastly, room naming and renaming. There is always lots of food at our potlucks, so please join us for lunch. For information contact 519-886-3570 or [office@erbstchurch.ca](mailto:office@erbstchurch.ca)

*Congratulations to Erb Street Mennonite!*

### **Celebrating a Century of Mennonite Sewing Circles in Ontario**

The Mennonite Historical Society of Ontario Fall Meeting will be held on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> beginning at 2:00 pm, in the Community Room, 50 Kent Avenue, Kitchener. (Mennonite Central Committee Ontario, 2nd floor). Come hear the history and personal reminiscences. A tour of Mennonite Central Committee Ontario's Material Resources operations will follow. For more information check our





<http://www.mhso.org/content/celebrating-century-mennonite-sewing-circles-ontario> or contact Bethany Leis 519-568-8086. See the poster on Bulletin Board # 4.

**Students: Stressed and anxious?** Worried about school, extra-curricular involvements, or your future? Shalom Counselling is offering a group for high school aged youth: “Calm in the Storm: Stress Management for Students.” This will be offered Tuesday evenings from 6pm – 7:30pm (October 17 to December 5). This group is offered at no cost to participants. Generously supported by a grant from Shantz Mennonite Church. For further information or to register contact Shalom: [admin@shalomcounselling.org](mailto:admin@shalomcounselling.org) or (519) 886-9690. See poster on Bulletin Board # 4 for more information.



**House of Friendship** invites you to join them for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Friendship Dinner. The dinner will take place at Rockway Mennonite Collegiate on Saturday, October

21 beginning with a reception at 5:00 p.m. See the poster on Bulletin Board # 4 for more information.

Join PiE for an intergenerational event – **Encounter Desire Retreat – October 20-22, 2017.** This event is designed for those in a season of transition and discernment. Tamara Shantz and Patricia Wagler will facilitate this weekend focused on sacred listening and the spirituality of desire. How might God be calling through our own deepest desires? Go to [www.pastorsinexile.org/retreat](http://www.pastorsinexile.org/retreat) for more information. **Register by Oct.4th!** See the poster on Bulletin Board # 4.



SILVER LAKE  
Mennonite CAMP

**CALLING ALL PAINTERS!** Silver Lake Mennonite Camp is looking for painters who would be keen to converge on the camp the week of November 6-10, 2017 to paint the kitchen, addition and vestibule.

Silver Lake will provide accommodation, food and painting supplies. If interested, please contact Dave Erb, 519-422-1401 or [fun@slmc.ca](mailto:fun@slmc.ca)

We have received an employment opportunity from Rockway Mennonite Collegiate. Please see Bulletin Board # 5 for more information.