

Sunday, April 1, 2018
Easter 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, April 1, 2018 9:30 a.m.

Worship Leader: Helen Baergen

Speaker: Pastor Ben Cassels

Congregational Prayer: Karen Watson

Accompanists: Karen Enns, Ryan Légère

Scripture Readers : Helen Baergen, Marg Ens

Choir: Laura Enns

Nursery Volunteer: Vicky Dyck

Children's Story: Erika Tubb

Communion Servers: Chris and Crystal Francis, Karen Watson, Nancy Pauls

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: "I've seen the Lord!"

(John 20: 18b)

Prelude

Dispelling the darkness

Congregational Pronouncement

Leader: Christ is Risen

People: He is Risen indeed!

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Procession of Praise: *"Christ the Lord is risen today"*

HWB # 280

"This joyful Eastertide"

HWB # 276



Welcome

Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 118 and Diane Karay, Words for Worship, # 46)

Leader: This is the day which the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**People: This is the day that the stone is rolled away,
and the mantle of darkness is cast aside.**

Leader: Rejoice! God has become our strength and salvation.

People: Rejoice! God has raised Jesus from the dead.

**All: The Lord of light reigns forever and ever.
Christ is risen. Alleluia!**

Prayer of Invocation

Anthem: *Christ is risen! Shout hosanna!* (B. Wren, W.P. Rowan)

Scripture I: John 20: 1 – 10 (New Testament) page 88

Affirmation of Faith:

Leader: We affirm that the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob,
Miriam, Hannah, and Mary is our God.

**People: We affirm that God has come to us in our likeness,
taking the form of a servant in Jesus of Nazareth.**

Leader: We believe that God, in Christ, suffered the pain and agony
of the cross to provide for our salvation.

**People: We believe that God demonstrated power over sin and
death by raising Jesus from the dead
and declaring that the risen Christ is Lord.**

Leader: God has given us new life and freedom in the fullness of the
Holy Spirit,
who is the guide and power of the community of believers.

**All: We believe that in the end,
God's rule of peace and justice will be fully established
and that Jesus Christ will reign forever and ever.**

Hymn: *"They crucified my Saviour"* Vs. 1 **HWB # 266**
(Children come forward on the last verse)

Children's Time

Song of Blessing: *"They crucified my Saviour"* Vs. 4 **HWB # 266**

Congregational Prayer

Offering and Prayer

Anthem: *The World itself keeps Easter Day*
(A. Parker, R. Shaw, J.M. Neale)

Scripture Lesson II: John 20: 11-18 (New Testament) page 88

Sermon: **"Perplexity, Belief, and Grief Transformed"**

Renewing our Covenant: *"Become to us the living bread"* **HWB # 475**

Communion

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.

Hymns for Communion:

"Low in the grave he lay"

HWB # 273

"Christ who left his home in glory"

HWB # 283

"All hail the power of Jesus' name"

HWB # 285

Benediction

Anthem: *Hallelujah* (from "The Messiah", J.F. Handel)

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

TODAY AT W-K

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. Worship with Communion
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School for Children
- 10:45 a.m. Paska and Fellowship in the gym
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Room Rental



He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Next Sunday – April 8, 2018

9:00 a.m. *Choir Rehearsal*
9:30 a.m. *Worship Service* *Alicia Buhler*
Lectionary *Psalms 77: 1-20* *Isaiah 51: 1-3, 12-16*
Readings:
10:00 a.m. *Sunday School for Children (Circle of Grace)*
10:30 a.m. *Coffee Break*
10:45 a.m. *Sunday School for Youth – Youth Room*
Sunday School for Adults – Alicia Buhler
7:00 p.m. *Waterloo Mennonite Homes and W-K Congregational Meeting*
Youth Room Rental

CHURCH FAMILY NOTES



Special Prayers During Lent: We hold in prayer our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world who gather for Easter services under the threat of violence and bombings. May the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ bring peace throughout our world.

May God grant peace and justice.

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.

Financial Report: Thank you for your offering of March 25th and for the pre-authorized withdrawal offering of March 27th



Waterloo Mennonite Homes Annual Meeting will be held at W-K United Mennonite Church on Sunday April 8, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the gym followed by a W-KUM congregational meeting. Please plan to attend and discover what has transpired and what is in store for the future.

This Week at W-K

Tuesday, April 3	Noon	Silver Spoons
	1:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Planning Meeting
	1:00 p.m.	Quilting Group - Basement
	6:00 p.m.	IMCC Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study – Rm 7
Wednesday, April 4	9:00 a.m. – Noon	Mission Circle
	7:30 p.m.	Jubilation Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, April 5	10:00 – 11:00 a.m.	WALC Exercise in the gym
	6:00 p.m.	Church Supper
	7:30 p.m.	PiE Event - Lounge
Friday, April 6	1:00 p.m.	House of Friendship

The next **Lunch Bunch outing** will be held on Wednesday, April 4 at 12:30 p.m. at Montana's, 310 The Boardwalk in Waterloo. All women are welcome! For questions call Vicki Dick



Quilters will meet in the basement on Tuesday, April 3rd beginning at 1:00 p.m.



The next Church Supper will be held on Thursday, April 5th at 6:00 p.m. The menu includes chicken pot pie, carrot salad and carrot cake. The speakers will be Christine Mitchell, leader of the Thursday morning WALC exercise program held at W-K and Amanda Hann, Registered Kinesiologist from Community Support Connections who sponsor this program. Please sign up on the lobby window today! Cost is \$5.00. Kids and newcomers eat free. Bring a friend!



ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS FROM THE MEMORIAL FUND

The Memorial Fund will be disbursing grant funds again in December. Applications can be submitted until May 13th and are available from the plastic bin on the office door. Funds will be distributed in June.

Anyone attending our church may apply for a project in our church or for a mission/service/outreach project in which you are involved outside the church. The Memorial Fund Committee tries to disburse funds so that there is some equity between those funds that support our church and those which support projects outside the church.

Please feel free to contact a committee member if you have a project in mind and wonder if it might fit the criteria. Applications and brochures about criteria are available in the church office.

~ Committee members are Rita Witt, Pauline Weiland and John Harder.

Fleisch Piroshki Project for the Mennonite Relief Sale, May 26, 2018.

Volunteers from WK and a variety of places, will make over 3000 fleisch piroshki to raise funds at the Mennonite Relief Sale in New Hamburg, Ontario. We need about 50 volunteers to accomplish all this! All ages welcome, male and female. No experience needed---on the job training provided! Please contact Janice Harder to volunteer on the following days:

Meat Sausage (at church)

Tuesday May 1	2:00-4:30
Wednesday May 9	1:00-3:30
Tuesday May 15	2:00-4:30
Wednesday May 16	1:00-3:30

Buns (at City Café Bakery)

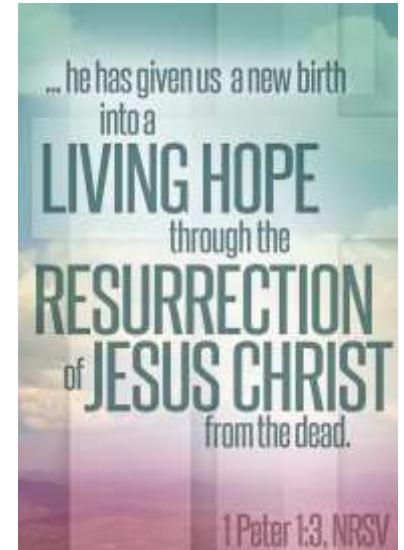
Tuesday May 1	6:00-9:00
Wednesday May 9	6:00-9:00
Tuesday May 15	6:00-9:00
Wednesday May 16	6:00-9:00



Healthy Reflections – Body, Mind and Spirit Prayer as a Spiritual Discipline

A Prayer of Thanksgiving Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, every day. Let us have grateful hearts that rejoice in the salvation and healing that you bring through Jesus Christ. May we be open to this wholeness for ourselves and others, every day.

Let our eyes and hearts attune to the ways of your Kingdom. AMEN



WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

The Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir invites parents and children to an open rehearsal to get a glimpse of the inner workings of the choir. The open rehearsal will take place on Tuesday April 3, 2018 here at W-KUM Church.



Children ages 6-9 are welcome from 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. and children ages 10-14 are welcome from 7:30 – 8:00 p.m. For more information please contact imcc.conductor@rogers.com

An evening of music and stories of hope: Generation Rising presents Christian touring band Double Portion featuring the testimony of Pastor Jose from Honduras - who will share how he continues to boldly proclaim God while surviving terrible gang violence. Admission is by freewill offering. All funds raised will help children in Honduras receive quality Christian education. Sunday, April 8th at 7:00 p.m. at Rockway Mennonite Church in Kitchener. See the poster on Bulletin Board # 4.

The Cambridge Male Chorus presents its annual *Cabaret* on Friday, April 13 and Saturday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. Our special guests will be the Quintessentials, an excellent quintet who sing with the Schneider Male Chorus . Our location will again be the Maranatha Christian Reformed Church in Cambridge (94 Elgin St.). The price this year is still only \$20 (\$10 for 12 and under), which includes dessert and refreshments. A special treat again this year will be our seven-piece sing-along band (with Paul Enns on

the harmonica) playing old favorites that you can sing along to. Tickets available from John Reimer and Paul Enns.

Menno Youth Singers annual Coffee House and Spring Concert, Friday, April 27th, 7 p.m., at Waterloo North Mennonite Church. Everyone is welcome. No admission – free will donation accepted.

Da Capo Chamber Choir presents *This Thirsty Land* on Saturday, April 28th at St. John's Lutheran Church, 22 Willow Street in Waterloo, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Special guests will include Orpheus Choir from Toronto. See the poster on Bulletin Board # 4.

“Alternative Medicine: A Christian Perspective” - a presentation by CSCA Waterloo will take place on Wednesday, April 4th beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Mike & Ophelia Lazaridis Quantum-Nano Centre, University of Waterloo (QNC 0101)

Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) is becoming increasingly popular, and increasingly confusing, in North America. There are concerns about its scientific basis and spiritual roots. This presentation reviews CAM, considers reasons for its popularity and offers suggestions for a Christian response. Presenter E. Janet Warren (MD, PhD), current president of the CSCA, is a Family Physician with extensive experience in multiple clinical settings. She is also an independent scholar in Christian theology with a particular interest in the integration of psychology and theology. **More Event Info:** csc.ca/waterloo Poster on Bulletin Board # 4.

Join Rockway Mennonite Collegiate's Grade 7 and 8 students in their production of *The Trial of the Big Bad Wolf* coming to the Rockway Gym A stage on Thursday, April 19th and Friday, April 20th at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available online www.rockway.ca now! You may also purchase by cash, cheque or credit card at the door each performance night. \$10 per person – General Admission seating. See the poster on Bulletin Board # 4.

Rockway Visual Arts Exhibition – Mirage – will be held on Tuesday, April 24th beginning at 7:00 p.m. An evening of showcasing work done by visual arts students in Grades 9-12.

WMCEC Spring Enrichment Day will be held April 20 – 21, 2018 at North Leamington United Mennonite Church. The theme is *Living Creatively* with guest speaker April Yamasaki. Posters and registration



forms are posted on Bulletin Board # 4.



New Hamburg

**Mennonite
Relief Sale**

The New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale

Promotion Dinner will be held at Bingeman's
Marshall Hall on Monday, April 30th at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are now available. Guest speaker will be Sarah Martin Mills sharing "The Story of Growing Hope". Ticket price is \$10. Tax receipts will be issued for contributions above the ticket price. Please contact Henry Epp or visit www.nhrs.com for tickets. Katharine also has a limited number of tickets in the office.

The 43rd annual Waterloo Region Interfaith Community Breakfast



will take place on Wednesday, April 25th
beginning at 7:00 a.m. in the Ballroom at
Bingeman's Conference Centre. Guest
speaker will be Hind Al-Abadleh,
professor of chemistry at Wilfrid Laurier
University. Tickets are \$25 each. See

the poster on Bulletin Board # 4.

MCEC Annual Church Gathering 2018 will be held on April 27-28th at
Redeemer University College in Ancaster, Ontario. The theme for this
year's gathering is *Connected: Striving side by side with one mind.* If
you would like to attend as a delegate, please speak with Ed Janzen.
Registration is now open on the MCEC website.



SILVER LAKE
Mennonite Camp

Paddle the Grand Annual Fundraiser for
Silver Lake Mennonite Camp. Join us
Saturday, May 12th at 3:00 p.m. for an easy

and fun 1.5 hour excursion down the Grand River
from Inverhaugh to the Covered Bridge at West
Montrose. BBQ to follow in West Montrose.
Participants are encouraged to raise \$500 per
canoe and Silver Lake provides all necessary
equipment (canoe, paddles and lifejackets).
For more information visit www.slmc.ca or call
519-422-1401



Volunteering at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp, Sauble Beach. Each week
of the summer, Silver Lake uses volunteers to help staff with preparing
meals and/or keeping the property and facilities in top notch condition. Lots

of great things are happening at Silver Lake so please consider experiencing the magic of camp first-hand this summer as a volunteer. Call 519-422-1401 for more information or visit <http://slmc.ca/camp/volunteers/> to register.