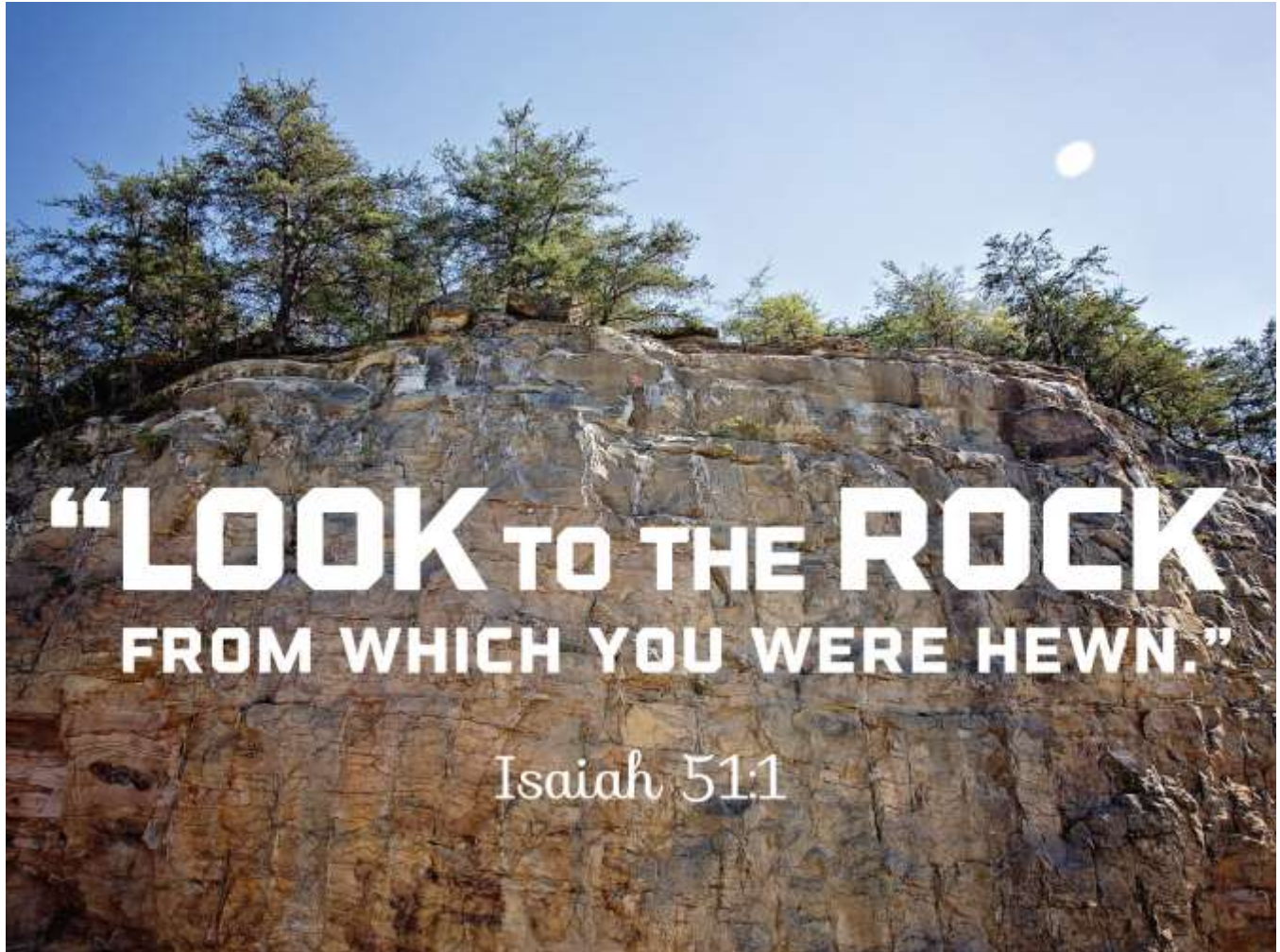


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Welcome to our worship service. May you be blessed as you meet God and be empowered for the week ahead.

Sunday, April 8, 2018 9:30 a.m.

Worship Leader: Rev. Catherine Hunsberger

Speaker: Alicia Buhler

Congregational Prayer: Pastor Ben Cassels

Accompanists: Karen Enns

Scripture Readers : Ben Stobbe, Rev. Catherine Hunsberger

Choir: Laura Enns

Nursery Volunteer: Vicky Dyck

Children's Story: Pastor Ben Cassels

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:

We have all been created good by a good and loving God.

Prelude

GATHERING

Opening Hymn: *"Christ is alive! Let Christians sing!"*

HWB # 278

Welcome/Work and Care of the Church

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: *"Sing with all the saints in glory"*

STS # 92

Scripture I: The Complaint Psalm 77: 1-10 (Good News Bible)

Leader: I cry aloud to God; I cry aloud and he hears me.

**People: In times of trouble I pray to the Lord;
all night long I lift up my hands in prayer,
but I cannot find comfort.**

Leader: When I think of God, I sigh;
when I meditate, I feel discouraged.

**People: He keeps me awake all night;
I am so worried that I cannot speak.**

Leader: I think of days gone by and remember years
of long ago.

People: I spend the night deep in thought;

Leader: I meditate and this is what I ask myself:

Left: Will the Lord always reject us?



Right: Will he never again be pleased with us?

Left: *Has he stopped loving us?*

Right: Does his promise no longer stand?

Left: *Has God forgotten to be merciful?*

Right: Has anger taken the place of his compassion?

Leader: Then I said, "What hurts me most is this –
that God is no longer powerful".

The Answer – Psalm 77: 11-20

Affirmation of our Faith: The Apostles Creed

HWB # 712

Hymn: *"This is the threefold truth"*
(Children come forward on the last verse)

HWB # 335

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Time

Song of Blessing: *"Go now in peace"* (repeat)

HWB # 429

Congregational 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

Anthem: *Christ is alive* B. Wren, L. True

Scripture Lesson II: Isaiah 51: 1-3, 12-16 (Old Testament) page 528

Sermon: **"Remembering Our Source"**

RESPONDING

Hymn of Response: "Will you let me be your servant"

HWB # 307

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



A very special welcome to our guest Alicia Buhler. Alicia is a spiritual care provider who works out of her home in Kitchener, meeting with a variety of individuals who desire a companion on the spiritual journey, and is a member of the on-call spiritual care team at Grand River Hospital. Alicia holds a Master of Divinity degree from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, a Bachelor of Arts from Canadian Mennonite University, and is a licensed minister of MCEC. Her educational background and experience have focused on counselling, healthcare chaplaincy and spiritual direction.

Thanks for your message today.

TODAY AT W-K

- 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School for Children (Circle of Grace)
- 10:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School – Youth Room
Adult Sunday School with Alicia Buhler - Lounge
- 7:00 p.m. Waterloo Mennonite Homes AGM followed by
W-K Congregational Meeting
Youth Room Rental



Next Sunday – April 15, 2018

9:30 a.m. *Worship Service* *Pastor Ben Cassels*
 Lectionary *Acts 3: 12-19* *Luke 24: 36b - 48*
 Readings:
 10:00 a.m. No Sunday School for Children or Youth
 10:30 a.m. Coffee Break
 10:45 a.m. Sunday School for Adults
 7:00 p.m. Youth Room Rental

**CHURCH FAMILY NOTES
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 April 1st



Waterloo Mennonite Homes Annual Meeting will be held at W-K United Mennonite Church this evening beginning 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. Reports are available on the chair in the church lobby.

This Week at W-K

Tuesday, April 10	Noon	Silver Spoons
	1:00 p.m.	Quilting Group - Basement
	6:00 p.m.	IMCC Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Health and Wellness – Youth Room
	7:00 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study – Rm 7
Wednesday, April 11	9:00 a.m. – Noon	Mission Circle
	7:30 p.m.	Jubilation Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, April 12	10:00 – 11:00 a.m.	WALC Exercise in the gym
Friday, April 13	1:00 p.m.	House of Friendship

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.

Quilters will meet in the basement on Tuesday, April 10th beginning at 1:00 p.m.



Servettes Pot-Luck Luncheon: All women are invited to attend a potluck salad luncheon and presentation entitled *From Despair to Social Action: subSaharan grandmothers saving the next generation in partnership with the Stephen Lewis Foundation*. Guest speaker will be Elizabeth McNair. The luncheon will take place at Noon on Thursday, April 26th in the gym.

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)

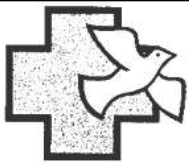
Tuesday May 1	6:00-9:00
Wednesday May 9	6:00-9:00
Tuesday May 15	6:00-9:00
Wednesday May 16	6:00-9:00



Thinking about Baptism or Membership?

Membership in our congregation is open to all persons who confess faith and loyalty to Jesus Christ and who wish to unite with us in our worship and other ministries. If you are interested in exploring baptism or becoming a member of WKUM through transfer of membership or by confession of faith, please speak to Pastor Ben or one of the Deacons (Nancy Pauls, Andy and Laurie Staller, or Crystal Francis).

HEALTH AND WELLNESS



Healthy Reflections – Body, Mind and Spirit

Universal Health Coverage: Everyone, Everywhere

Each year April 7th is World Health Day. The World Health Organization's (WHO) focus this year is **Universal Health Coverage:**

Everyone, Everywhere. How do you think we measure up in Canada? We love our healthcare system and we talk about universal access to care. Your Healthy Reflections pamphlet this month will shed some light on this topic – in your mailbox this morning.



WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY



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.

SPIRITUS ENSEMBLE presents a performance of Mozart's magnificent *Requiem* and choruses by Johann Ludwig Bach on Sunday, April 22, 2018 at 4:00 p.m., at St John's Lutheran Church, 22 Willow Street, Waterloo. With the soloists of Capella Intima: Sheila Dietrich, soprano; Jennifer Enns Modolo, mezzo soprano; Bud Roach, tenor; David Roth, bass. Kenneth Hull conducting. Tickets available at the door and online at www.spiritusensemble.com. See the poster on Bulletin Board # 4.

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.

Inter Mennonite Children's Choir presents *There's Nothing Like a Song* on Sunday, April 29, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. at Floradale Mennonite Church. See the 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.



All are welcome to attend the next **MEDA breakfast** at the Stone Crock in St. Jacobs on Thursday, April 19th at 7:30 am. The cost of the breakfast is \$15. We will be joined by Terry Petkau who will be sharing about his experience working with Habitat for Humanity.

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.



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



Conrad Grebel University College is hiring for three contract positions. See the job descriptions on Bulletin Board # 5 for more information.

Loved by God and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we follow Jesus Christ.
As a welcoming Mennonite community,
we worship God, nurture each other
and extend God's love and peace to all.