

BRESLAU MENNONITE CHURCH

LENT 4 Sunday March 11, 2018 Me & You & Darkness in View

Worship Leader Chris D
Chorister Chris S
Accompanist Simone P
Theme Song Chris S

GATHERING IN FAITH AND WORSHIP

Prelude Welcome

Call to Worship

Who comes in the name of God? Step into the light and be known.

We are coming, through darkness and fear.

We come into the light by the power of God.

People of God, God has heard your cries and is opening a way for you.

We are here, through darkness and fear. We come into the light of this day.

You are here, and God is here. What will you do?

Together we will worship God.

Prayer

Hymns Obey my voice #163 HWB

We walk by faith #570 HWB

Prayer of Thanksgiving
Giving Our First Fruit Offerings

Children's Offering Project: Refugee Support

HEARING GOD'S STORY

Children's Story Lent Theme Song Eleanor Epp-Stobbe Between Me & You

Confession and Assurance

God of compassion and consequence, some days it's hard to face who we are.

We like to be in control, to know where we are going.

Relying on someone else, even you, is hard.

We get impatient and find things to criticize.

Some of us even like to complain.

Glossing over past hardships is easier than admitting that we needed your help, and still do. We don't want to see how our attitudes and actions make things worse.

We are sorry. Forgive our ingratitude. Grant us courage.

SILENCE

God is not easily discouraged. God waits for us to turn and live.

Thanks be to God!

Scripture

Numbers 21:4-9; John 3:14-21

Sermon For God so loved the world

Eleanor Epp-Stobbe

Hymn

Longing for light #54 STJ

RESPONDING TO GOD'S STORY

Sharing our Joys and Concerns Praying Together Hymn Benediction

O healing river #372 HWB

Benediction Postlude

We welcome all to our church community.

Following the worship time you are invited to enjoy coffee, tea, juice and conversation.

For many thousands of years, the Haudenosaunee, Anishnawbe, and Neutral peoples have lived on this land. We acknowledge the traditional territory upon which we gather. We seek a new relationship with Indigenous peoples, one based in honour and deep respect.