### BRESLAU MENNONITE CHURCH Lent 1 - Sunday February 14, 2016

Worship Leader Pat K
Chorister Randy B
Accompanist Sherrie T

#### **GATHERING IN FAITH AND WORSHIP**

**Prelude** 

Welcome

**Call to Worship** 

In this place, at this time, we are invited into the safety of the love of God, whose ways are not our ways, whose thoughts are not our thoughts. We are invited to be in God's presence, to be open to God's Spirit.

We will be open; we will be.

Prayer

Hymns Great God, we sing #639 HWB
If you but trust in God #576 HWB

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** 

God speaks to us in wonders and whisper, in silence and Scripture, through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. God's gifts are boundless. May we respond fully and freely with hearts and lives given to God. Amen.

**Giving Our First Fruit Offerings** 

Children's Offering Mennonite Central Committee Kashechewan School

### **HEARING GOD'S STORY**

Children's Story

Moment in Mission – Welcome to the Feast: A Communal Blog

Phil M
Scripture

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Luke 4:1-13
Sermon – Step into the desert

Eleanor Epp-Stobbe

Silent Reflection

**Hymn** Come, Holy Spirit descend 1-3, 6-8 #33 STJ

# **RESPONDING TO GOD'S STORY**

## **Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

**Praying Together** 

We come before you, O God, as we embark on our Lenten journey. Do not abandon us as we venture into the unknown, into our future. Hold us in your compassion. Provider God, we confess that we often forget that we can trust in you and rely on you in times of difficulty. Forgive our forgetfulness. Help us to lean on you and to believe in your promise of reconciliation and eternal love.

Have mercy on us.

**Hymn** My dear Redeemer and my Lord #547 HWB

**Benediction** 

Postlude please remain seated

We welcome all to our church community.

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