

- **Employment Opportunity:** BMC is seeking a part-time **Administrative Assistant**. For details, view the posting at www.breslaumc.ca/job-posting. We encourage interested individuals within BMC to apply. We are also advertising the position to the broader church community in Waterloo Region. If you know someone who may be interested, please encourage them to apply. To apply email a cover letter, resume and three references to Mark Epp, Council Chair at: mark.epp61@gmail.com by November 4

BRESLAU MENNONITE CHURCH
Sunday October 17, 2021
A Worship Series with the Psalms



Worship Leader	Chris Derstine
Accompanists	Sherrie Tiessen, Paul Horton, Janice Klassen
Scripture Reader	Randy Brown
Ushers	Kathy Friesen, Karen Good
Sound & Tech Support	Matt & Owen VanderMeer, Doris Gingerich

Beyond the Congregation

Rockway Mennonite Collegiate

- **Rockway Mennonite Collegiate** is offering **Spaghetti Supper to Go!** In lieu of having you in the school. We cook and clean up, you re-heat and enjoy! Order by October 25 and pick up on October 29. Visit rockway.ca to order yours today! <https://rockway.ca/alumni/alumni-events/connections-spaghetti-supper>
 - **Rockway Mennonite Collegiate Annual General Meeting online** – Thurs Nov 18, 7:30 pm. For details AGM@rockway.ca All are welcome!

Mennonite Economic Development Associates

- **MEDA Convention Rising Together** on Nov 5 & 6. We hope you can join us from the safety and comfort of your own home. For more information and to register www.meda.org/meda-convention

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and MCC Ontario News

- **Undercurrents:** Season 2 of Undercurrents is around the corner. Join us as we dive deeper into remarkable stories coming from MCC's program participants, staff and others in Ontario. Listen and subscribe on Spotify, Apple, Google and others, or listen to the [trailer here](#) at anchor.fm/undercurrents

- Wear a **MCC "Every Child Matters" button**. Available at MCC Thrift Shops. mcccanada.ca/stories/remembering

- **Mennonite Central Committee Peace Conference** online Nov 19 & 20

Reconciliation in Action, for details and to register go to:

[Peace Conference | Mennonite Central Committee Canada \(mcccanada.ca\)](http://Peace Conference | Mennonite Central Committee Canada (mcccanada.ca))

Mennonite Church Eastern Canada

- **Mennonite Church Eastern Canada (MCEC)** has appointed John Reimer as Operations Director.

- Keep connected with **MCEC Courageous Imagination** – a journey together listening for God. <https://mcec.ca/courageous-imagination>

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GATHERING IN FAITH AND WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

One Come worship the God of creation who has planted us like a tree in good ground.

Many We worship the God who has grounded us in faith and in the Word.

One Come worship the God who is with us in Jesus Christ, the Word of God who was among us.

Many We worship the God who continues to save us in the storms of life.

One Come worship the God who tenderly watches over us and sustains us by the Spirit.

Many We worship the God who guards us from danger and guides our way. All praise and thanks to God!

Gathering Prayer

#869 VT

Hymn

How Great Thou Art #436 VT

LEARNING AND GROWING

Children's Story

Justin Martin

Scripture

Psalms 1

Sermon

Planted in Good Ground

Eleanor Epp Stobbe

Hymn

Be a Sower #789 VT*

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Praying Together

We confess that God has planted us to be the church in this time and place, yet how often we have failed to live into our calling. Instead of delighting in God's Word, we have been distracted by the things of this world. Instead of remaining grounded and flourishing to bear good fruit, we have been pulled in many different directions. Instead of seeking God's path for us, we have gone our own way. Forgive us God, watch over us, guide us, and grant us the courage to follow you.

Hymn
Benediction
Postlude

You Are Salt for the Earth #297 VT

VT *Voices Together*

* *Voices Together* CD Camps with Meaning Ensemble, Winnipeg MB

We acknowledge with gratitude the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee, Anishnawbe, and Neutral peoples upon our church stands. We seek a new relationship with Indigenous peoples, one based in honour and deep respect.

Joys and Concerns

- Pray for **Norm** and **Alice Gascho**, as **Norm** is in Cambridge Memorial Hospital receiving care for heart issues
- Continue to remember **Dianne and Larry Shantz** in your prayers as they consider care options and possible treatment for **Dianne's** brain cancer.
- **Pray for students, teachers, and families**, it's about mid-way until the Christmas holidays. For some College and University students it may be reading week or reading week will be coming soon. May there be a generous spirit of grace, understanding, and safety.

Birthdays

Oct 17 Adrian Martin	Oct 18 Serena Gingerich	Oct 18 Sheryl Shantz
Oct 19 Oliver Berg	Oct 19 Bryan Bowman	Oct 19 Phil Martin
Oct 20 Jackson Good	Oct 20 Reid Martin	Oct 22 Cindy Snyder
Oct 23 Dorothy Hadfield		

Calendar of Coming Events

Sat Oct 16, 3 & 7pm - BMC Campfires. Details in the Announcements section.

Sun Oct 17, 9:45am - Worship with the Psalms, a 3 Sunday series in person with registration, Psalm 1 Pastor Eleanor preaching

Sun Oct 17, 11:15am - Adult Education Class via Zoom, Linden Gossen facilitator, Topic: An excerpt and discussion from the Truth and Reconciliation Report. <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82669308292?pwd=NEhuWHA0Vklhak5BQ1JsSkptcy9nQT09> Meeting ID: 826 6930 8292 Passcode: 677648

Sun Oct 17, 3 & 7pm - BMC Campfires Details in the announcements section.

Tues Oct 19, 10am-2pm - Creative Hands in Room 100


Wed Oct 20, 7:00pm - Worship Committee meets via ZOOM

Sat Oct 23, 3:00pm - Retirement Celebration for Dorothy Horton. Details in the Announcements Section.

Sun Oct 24, 9:45am - Worship with the Psalms, in person with registration, Psalm 13, Pastor Eleanor preaching

Wed Oct 27, 7:00pm - BMC Special Meeting. See the Announcements section for more details. All are welcome to attend.

Announcements

 **BMC Campfire** on October 16 & 17 (rain dates Oct 22 & 24) at 3 or 7pm, a time to gather in small groups (physically distancing, wearing masks) for fun and fellowship. Various BMC hosts will provide a warm and welcoming campfire. You provide your own chair and snack. Mark your calendar & plan to join in campfire fun, please contact the church office or sign-up/register online.

www.breslaumc.ca/bmc-campfire-registration/ Register by Thurs Oct 14

• **BMC Fall Food Drive** – Last year's online fundraising response was remarkable! Financial donations allow the Food Bank to fill gaps in the inventory and maintain operational activities to ensure continued service delivery to the Community Food Assistance Network. Your support will help the people in our community confronting food insecurity. Please visit: www.thefoodbank.ca/bmc/ to make sure your donation gets added to the BMC group. Let's see how much money we can raise. Open until October 31. Thank you!

• **Take a Prayer, Leave a Prayer** - Join the youth in participating in this activity. Starting on Sunday, you will find a board in the foyer with a list of prayer requests from the youth. Take one with you and include the request in your prayers for the week. Add your own prayer requests with the sticky notes provided or by calling or emailing the church office. The youth have gotten us started, now it is your turn to take a prayer, leave a prayer.

• **Retirement Celebration for Dorothy Horton** at Breslau Mennonite Church in person on Sat Oct 23 at 3:00 pm. A celebration of Dorothy's 34 years of service with BMC as Administrative Assistant. Please consider sharing a blessing, a hope and best wishes for Dorothy by writing/printing on recycled paper (dear to Dorothy's heart and regularly used in our church office & copier). There will be a "Blessings Jar" in the church foyer for your note OR send your note of blessing to the church, and it will be printed and added to the "Blessings Jar". Please register to attend this event by emailing or phoning the church 519-648-2501 office@breslaumc.ca by Tues Oct 19.

• Amanda Snyder is off October 15-18.

• All are welcome to attend the **BMC Special Meeting** via ZOOM on Wed Oct 27 at 7 pm to hear, discuss and vote on the recommendation brought forward and endorsed at Church Council, with regards to use of funds from the land sale. Check out [Land Use Funds](#) in the login section of the website for the agenda, revised recommendation and minutes from the information meetings. <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84765447680?pwd=N2MwUHRMR3ZPWUNFWkV4ajBvdGZIUT09> Meeting ID: 847 6544 7680 Passcode: 553528

Stewardship & Finance

Your continued giving to the ministry of BMC is appreciated. Donations can be mailed/delivered to the church office, delivered electronically using E-transfer (to donations@breslaumc.ca) or via monthly AFT donation. To set up monthly AFT, please contact Sharon Brown at 519-239-7741 or sharondbrown@rogers.com