

Stewardship & Finance

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Beyond the Congregation

- **Faith Climate Justice Waterloo Region** day of action for a Just Transition March 12 in support of climate justice and a just transition to a more sustainable economy happening Canada-wide. [event page here](#)
 - **Considering graduate studies in theology?** CMU has full-tuition awards available and offers a Master of Divinity, an MA in Christian Ministry, an MA in Theological Studies, and a Graduate Certificate in Christian Studies. The application deadline for Fall 2022 is May 31 www.cmu.ca/academics/gradstudies
 - **Silver Lake Mennonite Camp Summer Update:** Spots available in most overnight camps, outtrips and day camps. www.slmc.ca to register. Volunteers are needed at Silver Lake this summer! slmc.ca/camp/volunteers to register.
 - **Woolwich Community Services** March 2022 newsletter is posted on the BMC Health bulletin board
 - **"Indigenous-Mennonite Encounters in Time and Place, Conrad Grebel University College, May 12-15, 2022.** Pre-registration is open for this gathering offering stories and analyses of encounters and relationships between Indigenous peoples and Mennonite settlers from point of contact through to the present. Visit the conference website for more information and to pre-register: <https://uwaterloo.ca/indigenous-mennonite-encounters>"
- Mennonite Central Committee Ontario (MCCO)**
- The **New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale 2022 feature quilt** was revealed on [Facebook Live](#). "Glimpses of Nepal" is a collage of life in Nepal, designed by acclaimed quilter Renske Helmuth. The quilt will be auctioned off at the 2022 [New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale](#) on Saturday, May 28.
 - The **2022 Ontario provincial election** is an opportunity to address policies that contribute to poverty and injustice. MCCO has gathered some resources at mcco.ca/ontario-election to assist you in exploring how candidates and parties fit into Ontario's political landscape. Be sure to sign up to receive notifications whenever we update this resource.

Ministers: All Persons in the Congregation

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BMC phone & email are regularly checked.

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BRESLAU MENNONITE CHURCH

Lent 1 Sunday March 6, 2022

Seeking God's Ways: from security to generosity

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

One Together we seek the way of God,
All through the wilderness of Lent, through the wilderness of life.
One We crave the safety of God's shelter,
All the cool comfort of the divine shadow, the security of the holy fortress.

One God offers the care of angels,
All the gentleness of creation, the protection of love.

One God is generous to all who call on the holy name,
All so come, let us seek God's way of generosity.

Gathering Prayer

Hymn

Let's Walk Together #6 VT*

SHARING

Children's Story

Lucia and Penny puppet show

Lenten Prayer of Confession – adapted from Isaiah 55

One Your ways, O God, are higher than our ways.

All Your thoughts are higher than our thoughts.

One We seek God's ways.

All God, move us from our ways to clinging to security to your ways of generous living.

One Holy One, we seek you while you may be found.

All We call on you while you are near.

One Have mercy on us, O God, for our thoughts are not your thoughts and our ways are not your ways.

All Forgive us for seeking security. Lead us into your way of generosity.

One As we walk with Christ on this Lenten journey, let us see your ways more clearly,

All and follow your ways more faithfully.

Hymn Alleluia #135 VT**
Scripture Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Luke 4:1-13
Sermon From security to generosity Eleanor Epp-Stobbe
Hymn And I Will Raise You Up #641 VT

SERVING

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Praying Together

Hymn The Lord Lift You Up #832 VT***

Benediction

Postlude

***The Congregation (wearing masks) will sing the last hymn in worship.

MennoMedia puppet show

VT *Voices Together*

* *Voices Together* CD Hesston College Bel Canto Singers (Kansas)

** *Voices Together* CD Menno Singers (Kitchener)

Worship Leader Sharla Braun
Accompanist Carolyn Strathdee
Soloist Stacey VanderMeer
Chorister Karl Braun
Scripture Reader Matthew Rappolt
Digital Techs Doris Gingerich, Colin VanderMeer, Matt VanderMeer
Ushers Kathy Friesen, Karen Good
Greeter Sharon Nichols

Nursery is available for parents to use during worship

Children's worship bags are available to use during the service.

Worship Service sound assistance available. Please check with an usher.

Perfume Sensitivities – Please refrain from using perfume and after-shave

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 **Brent Schmidt, Corrie Brubacher, Claire** and **Carly Schmidt**, as they grieve the passing of Brent's father **Irwin Schmidt** on Saturday February 26. Please view the [obituary](#) for Irwin.
- Pray for **Audrey Boniface**, as she experiences ongoing difficulties with poor vision, and other health challenges.
- Pray for **Ursula Bosshard**, as she recuperates at home following surgery for a broken leg due to a fall.
- Pray for **John Bullock** and **Nancy Dickieson**, as **John** rests from cancer treatment.

- Pray for **Lynne Hoffman**, as she recuperates at home with a broken elbow.
- Pray for the **people of Ukraine**, may peace return swiftly to your region. For information about Mennonite Central Committee responding to conflict in Ukraine and how you can provide relief. [Ukraine insert](#)
- Pray for the **desire for peace, unity, and love** in our communities and country

Birthdays

Mar 7 Lynn Romagnoli Mar 8 Adam Dettweiler Mar 8 Bailey Wise
 Mar 10 Geordie Hagerman Mar 10 Glenn Snider Mar 12 Madelyn Good

Calendar of Coming Events

Sun Mar 6 9:45am Worship in person with registration.
 Lent 1 Seeking God's Ways: From security to generosity.
 Pastor Eleanor preaching
 Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13

Sun Mar 6 11:15am Adult Christian Education on Zoom
 Sharing our Stories with Nick Betik
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81487665888?pwd=OU91V01RdEdSRThBcldrenVB\SUJwdz09> Meeting ID: 814 8766 5888 Passcode: 426080

Sun Mar 6 11:15am Jr Sunday School on Zoom

Wed Mar 9 7:00pm Elders meeting on Zoom

Sun Mar 13 9:45am Lent 2 Seeking God's Ways: From fear to compassion,
 Jean Lehn Epp preaching
 Genesis 15:1-12, 17-12; Psalm 27; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35

Announcements

- **BMC Budget/Business Meeting** is planned for Wed March 30 at 7pm. Details to follow.
- **BMC Reopening Update** – In keeping with current public health guidelines, our church is open for in-person worship, programs, and activities. No registration or contact tracing is needed. Capacity is at a full level. At this time, the back pew and chairs in the sanctuary/worship space are prioritized for those seeking to maintain a physical distance. Wearing a face mask while indoors remains in place unless you cannot wear one for health reasons. If you have questions or concerns about BMC reopening, please contact a Church Council member.
- **BMC Campfire New Date** - Sunday March 13 at 2:00 pm with hosts Karen & Byron, Amy & Daryl Good (909 Bridge St E, RR#1 Waterloo). A time for hiking, bring your snowshoes or skis, with lots of fun and fellowship, while physically distancing & wearing masks. BMC hosts will provide a warm and welcoming campfire. Please consider bringing your own snack. Washrooms are available for use. No registration needed.
- **BMC Lent Resources** Lent - Easter Worship Information and Lenten Practice pages are available on the BMC website www.breslaumc.ca/worship/bulletins/
- **BMC Prayer Board** - Consider sharing a prayer item with words or a word, drawing or symbol. See the Prayer Board in the foyer for more information.
- **BMC Cemetery prices increasing** effective April 11, 2022. Price list posted on bulletin board. If you have any questions, contact Maryanne Szuck.