

Beyond the Congregation

- **Mennonite Central Committee** is accepting **donations for Ukraine**. They are assessing the changing situation with local partners and will focus on longer-term scale up of existing programs that support vulnerable people and extending those services to internally displaced populations. Donations can be made online and at the MCC office, 50 Kent Avenue or call 519-745-8458
 - **Unmasking - Breathing - Moving Forward** is on display until April 22 at Luther University College – WLU, includes nine Indigenous artists. [Link](#)
 - **Egg Rolls** for sale from Grace Lao Mennonite Church. If you are interested sign up by Apr 24, on the bulletin board.
 - **New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale Promotion Dinner** 6:30 PM on Monday April 25 at Bingemans Conference Centre. Tickets are \$25.00 each and must be purchased in advance [here](#) or by calling the MCC office at 519-745-7458 (press 3). Children 10 and under are free.
 - **Shalom Counselling Spring Brunch** on Sat May 7, 9:30am at Steinmann Mennonite Church, with in-person and virtual participation, the theme is reconnection. To purchase tickets or for more information, [Link](#)
 - **Indigenous-Mennonite Encounters in Time and Place** is an academic conference and community education event on May 12-15 at Conrad Grebel University College. Expect academic presentations, community storytelling, artistic offerings, and both Indigenous and Mennonite ceremony. [Link](#)
- ### Silver Lake Mennonite Camp
- **The Grand Paddle & Hike 2022:** Join us for SLMC's annual fundraiser! Participants will do their own hike, walk, run, or paddle in their own community on the weekend of May 6-8. (A few group hikes are planned in the KW region.) Proceeds from this fundraiser will support Silver Lake and 10% of funds raised will go towards MCC's Ukraine Emergency Response. To sign up or donate, visit our [Fundraising Site!](#)
 - **Spring Work Weekend:** April 29-May 1. [Click here](#) to sign-up!
 - **SLMC Online Campfire:** April 24 at 7pm. For all ages. Visit our [homepage](#) for campfire link!
 - **Volunteers** needed at SLMC this summer! Go to slmc.ca/camp/volunteers for more info and to apply.
 - Spots available in most overnight camps, outtrips and off-site day camps. Go to www.slmc.ca to register!
- ### Canadian Mennonite University
- **Consider CMU: "Where your learning and career connect."** Virtual open house on Wednesday, Apr 27, 6:00–7:00 PM CDT. Receive a virtual tour of CMU's campus, ask questions of our Admissions team, and hear from faculty and current students. Visit cmu.ca/virtual-open-house.

Stewardship & Finance

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



BRESLAU MENNONITE CHURCH EASTER Sunday April 17, 2022

Seeking God's Ways: from certainty to openness

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

One Together we seek the way of God -

1 the generous,

2 compassionate

1 grace-filled,

2 inclusive,

1 abundant

2 powerful,

1 unsettling,

ALL way of God.

One On this day that God has made may our heart be open to the good news. Christ is not here, for Christ is risen.

ALL Jesus Christ is risen indeed!

Gathering Prayer

Hymns

Lift Your Glad Voices #340 VT

Christ the Lord is Risen Today #346 VT

SHARING

Children's Story

Lucia and Penny puppet show*

Hymn

In the Bulb There Is a Flower #670 VT

Scripture Isaiah 65:17-25; John 20:1-18

Sermon From certainty to openness

Eleanor Epp-Stobbe

Hymns

Who Are These #360 VT

Low in the Grave #333 VT

SERVING

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Praying Together

Hymn

Thine is the Glory #355 VT

Benediction
Postlude

* MennoMedia puppet show
VT *Voices Together*

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.

- Worship Leader** Chris Derstine
- Accompanist** Carolyn Strathdee
- Chorister** Justin Martin
- Trumpets** Randy Brown, David Romagnoli
- Scripture Reader** Cameron Hadfield, Corrie Brubacher
- Digital Techs** Doris Gingerich, Owen VanderMeer, Matt VanderMeer
- Ushers** Maryanne Szuck, Fern Balzer
- Greeters** Dorothy & Paul Horton

The back pews and chairs in the sanctuary are prioritized for those seeking to maintain a **physical distance**.

- 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

Education Classes: No Sunday School on Easter Sunday
Easter egg hunt for children and coffee, tea & juice available

- Education Classes on Sunday April 24th**
- Jr Sunday School.....Room 100
 - Youth.....Room 201
 - Adult.....Sharing our Stories led by Lily Hiebert Rempel.....Sanctuary

Joys and Concerns

- Pray for **John Bullock** and **Nancy Dickieson** as **John** receives chemotherapy
- Pray for **College and University students** at the end of a study term, may they find rest, support, strength, and wellness.
- Pray for the **people of Ukraine**, and other places at war, may peace return to these regions.
- Pray for **grace, compassion, understanding** and **safe practices**, in this time of Covid.
- Pray for **Debbie** and **Art Dettweiler** and family, as **Debbie** is an in patient at Freeport Hospital receiving mental health care in a 3-4 month program. No visitors. Cards are appreciated.
Debbie Dettweiler, Freeport Hospital GRT – 2E
3570 King Street East, Kitchener, ON N2A 2W1

Birthdays

Apr 17 James Brown Apr 22 Paul Horton

Calendar of Coming Events

- Fri Apr 15 10:00am** Good Friday Worship & Communion Service
Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25; John 18:1-19:42
- Sun Apr 17 9:45am** Easter Sunday Seeking God's Ways: From certainty to openness, Pastor Eleanor preaching
Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:19-26; John 20:1-18
- Tues Apr 19 10am-2pm** Creative Hands in Room 100. Bring your lunch.
- Sun Apr 24 9:45am** Creation Care Sunday - OUTDOOR Worship
Genesis 1

Announcements

- **BMC Reopening Update** – BMC is open for in-person worship, programs, and activities at full capacity. Wearing a face mask is no longer mandatory in places of worship however BMC continues to promote the benefits of wearing a face mask indoors and encourages anyone who feel comfortable to do so. Please do not attend if you are feeling unwell. If you have questions, please contact a member of Church Council www.breslaumc.ca
- **Jr Sunday School** is back in person! Children’s Ministry Team is looking for **volunteers** to help as teachers and with the music and story time. See the bulletin board, [click the link](#), or talk to Angela or Amanda if you are interested.
- **BMC Summer Camp** BMC Summer Camp registration is OPEN! Camp will be held in-person on the mornings of August 15-19th! [Register online](#) on the church website. Looking to volunteer? Sign up on the board in the foyer or talk to Amanda. Questions? Email bmcsummercamp@gmail.com
- **Volunteers needed to close BMC facilities on Sunday mornings**, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.
- **BMC Truth & Reconciliation** invites you to think about how you can contribute to the process of Truth and Reconciliation with Indigenous People in Canada. Consider going through one or more of the suggested doorways. More information available on the BMC website. [Link](#) Sign up on the bulletin board or email the church office office@breslaumc.ca

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Elders	Janet Auger	Nick Betik	Pauline Gingrich
	Pat Klassen	Heather McGill	Jeremy Roth