

#### BRESLAU MENNONITE CHURCH Lent 1 Sunday March 9, 2025

Christ Collides with Our Bias

These are the stories that Jesus imparts, filled with the Spirit, who joins us as one. Born through our voices, our hands, and our hearts, this is a new world where God's will is done. #298 What Is the World Like VT

# WE GATHER

Prelude Welcome Call to Worship Christ collides with our bias. Who will follow Christ? We will follow for sure, but we will tell you where to bring down your fire. Jesus says, "Follow me." We will follow when our calculations are finished. Christ collides with our learnings. For your reign, O God, guide us as we worship you. Gathering Prayer Hymns What Is the World Like #298 VT

Prayer of Thanksgiving – Giving Our First Fruit Offerings Children's Offering Project – Marillac Place

# WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

 Children's Story

 Scripture

 Sermon
 Christ Collides: Seeing with New Eyes

 Hymn

Linda F Luke 10:25-42 Hannah S Bless the Arms That Comfort #527 *VT* 

Jesus Calls Us #30 VT

# WE RESPOND

### Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

**Confession and Assurance** 

Loving and merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you.** We have not loved you with all our thoughts, words, and actions.

We have sinned through what we have chosen to do and what we have chosen to neglect.

We have not fully accepted your love for us. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We cling to our assumptions and insist that our point of view is the correct one. We repent before each other and before you, our loving God. Please help us open our hearts to your love. Help us shake free from our biases and assumptions so we may better share your peace in your world, rejoicing in your name. Amen.

Now hear these words of assurance: God tells us that we are created in God's image. God created us for relationship with God and each other. In this, we know that God will never break our relationship. God's steadfast love endures forever.

### **Praying Together**

Hymn Benediction Postlude

VT – Voices Together

Welcome! Following the worship service All are invited for coffee, tea, church juice and conversation.

Worship Leader Accompanists Chorister Sound & Tech Greeter Ushers Nursery Coffee Pastor Eleanor Allison D, Linden G, Kristen GB, Philip M, Matt R, Chris S Randy B Bryan B Kathy F Dorothy H, Sharon N Lynn R Sharon B

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