

FOLLOWING JESUS  
AS ANABAPTISTS:

EXAMINING OUR ROOTS,  
IMAGINING OUR FUTURE



**Bloomingdale Mennonite Church**  
**Sunday, April 16, 2023**

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**Examining our Roots, Imagining our Future ~  
Tradition and Innovation, Roots and Wings**

***We Gather... to Pray and to Praise***

Lighting the Christ Candle and Peace Lamp

Hymn of Gathering

VT #333

Low in the Grave He Lay

Call to Worship

Hallelujah, Christ arose!

**So let's leave our distractions in the foyer,**

As we enter the sanctuary,

**As many faithful Saints have done in the past.**

Knowing we will find you

**Through songs, prayers, and scripture.**

***Let us worship God.***

Welcome and Passing the Peace of Christ

**Peace be with you.**

**And also with you.**

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise

VT #84

To God Be the Glory

***... to Hear God's Voice***

Experiencing the Story

Scripture

Readers' Theatre based on Matthew 15

Hymn of Preparation

VT #575

Faith of the Martyrs

Sermon

Roots and Wings

***...to Live our Faith***

Hymn of Response

VT #368

Spirit of Life

Congregational Prayers and Offering

Prayers of Intercession (**Lord, hear our prayer**)

Prayers of Thanksgiving (**Thanks be to God**)

## ... as We Go

Announcements  
Hymn of Sending  
VT #847  
Benediction  
Postlude

You Shall Go Out with Joy

Ushers	Lois and Stu Weber
Pianist	Melodie Klassen
Worship Leader	Barb Burkard
Chorister	Lois Cressman
Sermon	Zac Klassen
Experiencing the Story	Greg Cressman
Screen Sharing	Sue Weber
Sound Booth	Jason Moffatt
Worship Response	Greg Cressman

## **BMC NEWS**

### **Financial Report**

We celebrate how we at BMC, serve in God's Kingdom at home, across the street and around the world, through our faith and finances;

Offerings to date - Apr 9 2023 \$7,442  
Required for Budget - Apr 9, 2023 (estimated) \$6,000

You can forward your offerings by e-transfer, mail or sign up for Automated Fund Transfers on the 15th of each month. Contact Ron Stevanus (treasurer) by email at [treasurer@bmchurch.net](mailto:treasurer@bmchurch.net) or by phone at 519-886-6195 for more information. Thank you and stay safe as always.

## Happenings Within ...

**Wednesday, April 19th** - WMCEC Quilting and Knotting at the church. Come out and enjoy fellowship around the quilt.

**Please mark Saturday April 22 on your calendar.** This will be a combination of **church clean up, earth day celebration, and our kickoff campfire** to complete the day. More details to follow.

**Wednesday, May 3 at 12pm - Lunch** (at the church) Elaine Shantz (CEO) of Parkwood/Fairview will present to us, the **new building update for seniors living at Parkwood, Waterloo.** Please feel free to invite anyone else outside our congregation who may be interested in future senior living opportunities. Please let Lois Weber (519-669-3985) know if you plan to attend. Lunch by donation.

**It's that time of year again! Annual Reports and AGM!** - Please have your annual reports for the booklet to Claudia by May 7th. Our AGM is scheduled for **Sunday June 4th.**

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## ...and Beyond

**May 6, 2023 - Grace Lao Mennonite Church Egg Roll Sale.** See sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Orders are due by May 1, 2023.

**April 24, 2023 - 6:00 pm** - More than just a meal, the **New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale Promotion Dinner** is a chance to connect with the community and support MCC! Enjoy a delicious buffet-style dinner and hear an update on the stationary meat canner from MCC Ontario Material Resource Coordinator Jon Lebold. Tickets are \$25 and are payable at the door. Reservations must be made in advance by emailing [justinarmitage@mcco.ca](mailto:justinarmitage@mcco.ca) or calling Justin at 519-745-8458 ext.262. (Floradale Mennonite Church, 22 Florapine Rd.Floradale).

*Please see "[Beyond Ourselves](#)"\* posted near the Sanctuary entrance as well as the bulletin board for more information on external happenings. (\* Please note, that this document has generously been put together and shared with us by SJMC and used with permission)*

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