

AN INVITATION TO SABBATH REST IN TIMES OF TURMOIL

Truly my soul finds rest in God;
my salvation comes from him.

Psalm 62:1



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We Gather... to Pray and to Praise

Lighting the Christ Candle and Peace Lamp

Hymn of Gathering

VT #9 Come Away from Rush and Hurry.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NTZf_BWMtlwwC6uU5Qt9H4AmKSgYT556/view?usp=sharing

Call to Worship

We come to worship.

You are already here.

We bring our burdens and weariness.

You are ready to help us carry our troubles.

Let us learn from you

Through our songs and scripture.

Praising you, will renew us.

We feel your gentleness and kindness.

Come now is the time to worship

And find rest for our souls.

Welcome and Passing the Peace of Christ

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise

VT #536 I heard the voice of Jesus say

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QyYggOUkv2g>

... to Hear God's Voice

Experiencing the Story

Scripture Hebrews 4:1, 15-16

Hymn of Preparation

VT #37 Be still and know

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AyDr9-Mpc_s

Sabbath reflections

Gloria Martin,

Paul and Martha Snyder

... to Live our Faith

Hymn of Response

VT #641 And I will raise you up

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MvpjxfWvjzY>

Communion

Jesus, on the night when he was betrayed, took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "When you share bread together, remember me."

Blessed are you, abundant God, for you made this bread to strengthen us; you gave us this bread as a sign of your body. Let our sharing be a taste of the bread of heaven that feeds the world. Amen

(Bread distributed)

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

(Participants may eat together)

Jesus took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant. When you drink it together, remember me."

Blessed are you, bountiful God, for you made the fruit of the vine to nourish us; you gave us this cup as a sign of your blood. Let our sharing be a taste of the wine we shall drink in your joyful feast. Amen.

(The cup may be distributed)

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

(Participants may drink together)

Hymn

VT #643

Come, Ye Disconsolate

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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 #70

Praise God (Dedication Anthem)

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BnWyqQ5NOUgtaEFKtFL5Ko2f_NYmccgC9/view?usp=sharing

Benediction

Postlude

Pianist

Worship Leader

Faith stories

Experiencing the story

Scripture Reader/Tech

Beatrice Wideman

Twila

Gloria Martin,

Paul and Martha Snyder

Zac Klassen

Serena 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 - Feb 6, 2022	\$126,103
Required for Budget - Feb 6, 2022	\$133,963.

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

Note from our Care Coordinators:

A note of encouragement and a small gift card has been sent out to our post secondary students, Ben Fretz, Bronwyn Snyder, Hayden Fretz, Jonathan Cressman, Joseph Boehm and Serna Cressman. We encourage the congregation to send cards and notes too as you wish.

Linda Stevanus and Marie Snyder

To give to House of Friendship, you can visit <https://houseoffriendship.org/how-you-help/donate/> or mail your donation to 51 Charles St. E., Kitchener, ON, N2G 2P3. If you would like to explore volunteer opportunities, see <https://houseoffriendship.org/how-you-help/volunteer/> or call 519-742-8327, ext 136. Thank you for contributing as you're able! We celebrate the involvement of BMC folks with House of Friendship over many years!

BEYOND OURSELVES

- **NHMRS Feature Quilt Reveal**—February 15 at 9 am
Each year, a talented individual or team creates the feature quilt for the New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale. Feature quilts have depicted historical churches, the play of colour and light across fabric, a journey through Africa among other innovative designs. On February 15 at 9 AM, the curtain will be removed and the 2022 feature quilt will be revealed on Facebook live. Join us on [Facebook](#) for the reveal!

- **The journey of a comforter Tuesday, February 22 at 12pm**
Join us for an exclusive online live event as we follow the journey of how MCC comforters are sewn, shipped and shared with people in need around the world. We'll go behind the scenes to see where comforters are pieced together by volunteers. Alex Azar, MCC Program officer in Jordan, will share about the impact these comforters have on the lives of displaced people in Jordan. To register, go to mcco.ca/webinars
- **The Power of Partnership Thursday, February 24 at 6 pm** (425 Bingham Centre Drive, Kitchener). Join us and best-selling author Malcolm Gladwell as we discuss the Power of Partnership and how a legacy of partnership with local, on-the-ground organizations can bring peace, dignity and hope to those who need it most with the unintended consequence of creating more peaceful communities. This event will also be livestreamed. For more information, go to powerofpartnership.ca. Bingham Conference Centre and MCC are working closely to provide a safe and healthy experience for all participants and will follow all local and provincial COVID-19 regulations and guidelines.
- **Peace & Justice Student Seminar February 22-24, 2022.** Every year, MCC Canada's Peace & Justice Office holds a seminar for students who are passionate about issues of justice, peace and advocacy. This year's seminar, Is our climate polarized? Building bridges for our shared future, will be a hybrid event. Local MCC offices across the country will host students for a mix of shared online content and local in-person speakers. Students will engage with parliamentarians, policy experts and others to learn about addressing the impacts of climate change in their communities and around the globe. [Learn more about the Peace & Justice Seminar here.](#)
- **Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp is Hiring:** a full-time **Executive Director** (application deadline is February 28th); as well as more youth / young adults for various positions on our **Summer Camp Staff Team** (application deadline is February 14). For more information or to apply, go to www.hiddenacres.ca. If you have any questions contact Chris Pot at 519-625-8602 or chrispot@hiddenacres.ca
- **Join the MCC Team!** To learn more about current postings and to apply, go to mcco.ca/serve

Silver Lake Mennonite Camp Summer Update:

- Spots available in most overnight camps, outtrips and day camps. Go to www.slmc.ca to register!
- Volunteers needed at Silver Lake this summer! Go to slmc.ca/camp/volunteers for more info and to apply.
- SLMC Online Campfires:** Come and connect with friends and Silver Lake staff. Sing some camp songs, hear from staff and have a chance to ask questions! All welcome, whether you have already signed up or are thinking about registering. Visit our [homepage](#) for campfire link!

Feb 27 @ 7pm - Outtripping focus

Mar 27 @ 7pm - Overnight camp focus

Apr 24 @ 7pm - Day camp focus

May 29 @ 7pm - Getting ready for summer camp!

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