

WELLESLEY MENNONITE CHURCH

INFORMATION SHEET - May 17, 2026

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For those who are unable to attend in-person worship, you are welcome to join the live service through Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85140408023>

Order of Service

Welcome and announcements

Land acknowledgement

Musical interlude

Call to worship

Opening prayer

Song – VT#436 “O Lord my God” (v. 1, 2, 4)

Scripture reading: [Luke 24:44-53](#)

Song – VT#364 “All hail the power of Jesus’ name”

Meditation

Song – VT#363 “Sing we triumphant hymns”

Sharing our offerings

Congregational prayer

Song – VT#570 “When we walk with the Lord” (v. 1, 2, 4)

Benediction

AV Techs: Anson and Jon Field

Pianist: Diane Peters

Worship Leader: Volunteers

Song Leaders: Lisa Neeb

Meditation and Congregational Prayer: Matthew Bailey-Dick

Please consider taking a turn making coffee and/or a snack for Coffee Time after the service. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

THIS WEEK See WMC calendar go to: <http://www.wellesleymennonite.ca/calendar/>

Monday 7:00 p.m.– Prayer Group meets in boardroom. We are focusing on *Stories of People that pray in the Bible*. All are welcome!

Wednesday, 7-8:30 pm.– Learning Event - *Living With Dementia*. Wellesley Mennonite Church. Facilitator: Jane Kuepfer

Friday, 6:30-7:45 p.m.– KFC (Kids For Christ) at Wellesley Mennonite Church. A special invitation for those who will be attending Junior Kindergarten in September. **"Train Dreams"** Trains are symbolic of structure and progression, meaning they could represent the spiritual path you're currently on. *Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.* Proverbs 3:5-6. RSVP to Donna B

Birthday Celebrations:

Households of Faith:

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND EVENTS:

Mennonite Relief Sale is quickly approaching and we are assisting with the Tea Ball booth again. Please consider helping out! Shifts will be May 28th Thursday evening, May 29th Friday afternoon and evening and Saturday May 30th. Exact time slots will be posted shortly. Please let the Missions Committee know if you are able to volunteer for a shift or two.



WMC Senior's Event: Mark your calendar for Friday, June 5, 2 p.m. and plan to attend a **Spring Social** at Donna and Gerald Jantzi's home, 6755 Road 116, Millbank. We will enjoy each others company and dessert in a beautiful, accessible outdoor...or indoor setting! Please bring your lawn chair if you can.

Our church has been asked to donate 10 pies for the pie auction at the Hidden Acres Camp Chicken BBQ on Tuesday, June 9. If you are willing to make and donate a pie, please take a box from the kitchen. Please arrange to have pie in our church kitchen on the morning of June 9th. Many thanks, Your Mission Committee.

June 12-14 is WMC's family camping weekend and Sunday outdoor worship service at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp and Retreat Centre. Plan to come for the whole weekend or come during the day for activities. If you would like a campsite or a cabin for the weekend please contact Juanita N. See poster for more details!

Spring Learning Event: Death Café - Tuesday, June 16, 1:30-3:00 p.m. at the Wellesley Recreation Complex (Room 201) facilitated by Matthew Bailey-Dick. Death Café is an event where people eat treats, drink tea or coffee, and discuss death. The objective is to honour and normalize mortality with a view to helping each other make the most of our (finite) lives. Everyone is invited regardless of faith, philosophy, or life experience. Registration is required: RSVP matthew@wellesleymennonite.ca

The Missions Committee extends many thanks for the generous donations of our church community. Together we raised \$2715!!! These funds will be used to can chicken for communities and countries in need. We are now looking to make this happen. We have selected June 16th from 12:30 to 3:30 pm at the Hub in New Hamburg. If you are able to join us, please email Lyn B or here is the [LINK](#) to the Cannery sign-up sheet. Further details will be sent to volunteers.

Tri County Mennonite Home Annual Meeting June 23, 6-8 p.m. Auditorium, Nithview Community (200 Boullee St., New Hamburg). We will be covering many important topics including an updated Strategic Plan and minor updates to TCMH Bylaw 2023, section 2.04, regarding the qualifications for the Board of Directors. To register as a voting delegate email eshannon@tcmhomes.com or contact [Susan](#) before June 19.

Vacation Bible School - Registration is open! Join us for an exciting week of faith and fun at Crosshill Mennonite Church from June 29 to July 3, in partnership with Wellesley Mennonite Church. Register online at: <https://www.crosshillmennonitechurch.ca/vbs2025>

We need volunteers! Anyone interested in volunteering at VBS this year is requested to fill out this online form showing their areas of interest: <https://forms.gle/1Ez59tXFbPd3YFq78>

BROADER AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

Our emerging vocal artists at St. Matthews will present a **concert of Broadway and Opera selections from Mozart to Andrew Lloyd Webber**, including hits from West Side Story, Sound of Music, The Magic Flute and more! Saturday, May 23, 7:30 pm at St. Matthews Lutheran Church, 54 Benton Street, Kitchener. Admission by donation.

Come for the food, stay for the fun! **The New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale, May 29 & 30**, brings together a community of people in support of a central cause, Mennonite Central Committee's work of relief, development and peace. From tea balls and strawberry pies and many other relief sale favourites, supporting a great cause has never been more tasty! View all of the quilts, Treasure Trove and Work and Play auctions today and [place your bid when pre-bidding opens on May 22!](#) Join the [fun 2km walk or run, or run the full 5km](#) along the Nith River, and raise funds for relief.

The Ontario Christian Gleaners Golf Tournament Friday, June 19, at Flamborough Hills Golf Club. \$175 per golfer, which includes 18 holes, cart, snack, sausage lunch, and a buffet dinner. Please register by May 29 at ontariogleaners.org/golf-tournament or 519-624-8245. If you own a business and would like to sponsor this event, please email gleanersoffice@gmail.com for more information.

Theatre of the Beat presents *Invisible Threads*, May 31, 7 p.m. at Zion United Church, 215 Peel St, New Hamburg. This investigative drama follows a well-intentioned retail employee who discovers a factory worker's handwritten note inside the new pair of jeans he's folding. [New Hamburg Ticket Link](#) (to buy tickets and make donations to Women's Crisis Services of Waterloo Region). **Theatre of the Beat** is hosting a FREE pre-show event called: **"Clothing Swap, DIY Mending & UpCycling"** at 5:30pm. Bring some clothing for swapping, or mending, and make your own custom "TOTB Merch" by adding embroidery, patches, or hand-carved linocut prints.

Hidden Acres' **59th Annual Chicken BBQ & 18th Annual Pie Auction Fundraiser - Tuesday, June 9, 5 - 7 pm.** Come and enjoy a delicious chicken dinner that includes potato salad, coleslaw, veggies, pickles, a fresh roll, chips and an apple or fresh baked apple fritter. \$22 - 1 Piece Meal / \$27 - 2 Piece Meal. A Pie Auction will happen during the meal. Please visit www.hiddenacres.ca for more details and to order your tickets. Tickets need to be purchased in advance.

On Saturday, June 13th, **87-year-old Martin Buhr will be participating in his final Out-Spok'n, Beyond Housing's annual bike-a-thon to raise funds for affordable housing** . Join Martin to build homes, fight poverty and care for our community. [Read the story and learn how you can ride or support.](#) Please visit www.beyondhousing.ca

You're warmly invited to **Strawberry Thanksgiving and Communion** on Saturday, June 13, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Six Nations Polytechnic, Oshweken. This year's event will seek to build on the momentum of last year's conversation about the Spiritual Covenant, which is a way to acknowledge Indigenous jurisdiction over lands through an annual token lease payment. \$25 is recommended to help cover the cost of lunch. Visit mcc.org/strawberry-thanksgiving to learn more.

House of Friendship Strawberry Social, Tuesday, June 16, 3-6 p.m. at Bingeman's Embassy Room- a celebration of compassion and community, bringing together caring donors, funders, and partners. While we share our gratitude for our community's support, this event also reminds us of the difference we can make together, as we continue to learn, inspire one another, and walk alongside those facing poverty, hunger, addiction, and homelessness in Waterloo Region. Tickets are free but pre-registration is required. [Click here.](#)

There is one month left to buy your **Early Bird tickets for Rockway's BIG Night Out!** Join us on Friday, September 25 at the Tapestry Hall in Cambridge. For more information and to get your Early Bird tickets, visit rockway.ca/events.

Save the Date: **MC Canada Gathering 2028.** Mark your calendars for **August 2–5, 2028** as Mennonite Church Canada gathers at Canadian Mennonite University. The **Youth Gathering 2028** will take place at the same time and location—plan to join us!

SUMMER CAMP

Are you looking for a fun, safe summer camp experience? **Hidden Acres' camp** provides great opportunities to connect with God, each other and nature. Campers get to enjoy swimming, canoeing, archery, nature exploration, rock climbing, low ropes, camp-outs, sports, group games and more, all in the company of peers and our fun and supportive staff team. Check out www.hiddenacres.ca for our dates & rates. Contact our Program Director, Josh Penfold at josh@hiddenacres.ca for more information. See you for summer 2026!

MCEC IN PRAYER

Please pray for the MCEC community of congregations. This week we hold Église Mennonite Agape in prayer. Jean-Ematiel Bossicot, along with their congregation leaders, provide leadership to this congregation located in Drummondville, Quebec. Pray for this congregation as they preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and put gospel into action in their under-resourced neighbourhood.

Please pray for Anita (pastor at Floradale Mennonite Church) and Bryan Schroeder Kipfer and family as Bryan has been diagnosed with cancer in multiple parts of his body. They are awaiting biopsy results to determine next steps. We give thanks for Gordon and Wendy Kroeker, serving through MC Canada's International Witness, and for their time of teaching, learning and sharing life in Indonesia. Bless their ministry of building relationships, fostering understanding, and supporting dialogue across cultures and faiths. May these Global Companion partnerships continue to grow in mutual care, wisdom and your reconciling love.

OFFERING REPORT - May 10, 2026

Total Offering (budget): \$5,220.00

Sunday Offering: \$495.00

E Transfers: \$1450.00

PAO Offering: \$1209.00

Abundance Canada: \$1850.00

Canada Helps: \$216.00

Above Budget Donations:

Coffee Time - Interfaith Counselling: \$128.56

Wellesley Community Food Cupboard: \$400.00

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