

WELLESLEY MENNONITE CHURCH

INFORMATION SHEET - May 3, 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

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

Musical Interlude

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Songs: *We Praise Thee O God #91 VT*
I Sing The Mighty Power of God #182 VT

Old Testament Scripture: Psalm 82:1-8

Song: *Let There Be Light #714 VT*

New Testament Reading: Matthew 25:34-40

Sermon

Song of Response: *For The Healing of the Nations #705 VT*

Sharing our Offerings

Celebration Jar

Congregational Prayer

Sending Song: *Help Us to Help Each Other #722 VT*

Benediction

May 3rd is Matthew's quarterly Sunday off.

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!

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.– Church Council meeting

Wednesday 7-8:30 p.m.– Learning Event - *Pilgrimage Stories (literal & figurative)*. Meet at WMC.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.– Spring Cleaning! We will be cleaning the inside and outside of the church building and your help is appreciated. Many hands make light work!

Birthday Celebrations:

Households of Faith:



CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND EVENTS:

The Canadian Mental Health Assoc. has named **MAY 4-10 as Mental Health Week**. Interfaith Counselling is responding by initiating '7 Days of Wellness'. You are encouraged to participate in the daily local events from May 4-10th. Check their website <https://www.interfaithcounselling.ca/general-1> for full details. Their desire is to bring people together, make connections, provide meaningful resources and raise funds to subsidize counselling services. ***The Missions committee has designated Sunday May 10 as Toonie Sunday, and will be hosting coffee hour, we will be glad to accept your toonie (or otherwise) donation!***

Men's North of 60 Breakfast @ 8:30 on May 12 at Schmidtsville

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.

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 Nafziger. See attached poster for more details!

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 9th and/or 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 Barnaby at barnabyfamily77@gmail.com or here is the [LINK](#) to the Cannery sign-up sheet. Further details will be sent to volunteers.

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>

THANK YOU

I would like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to the WMC Care Team and Congregation for your kind words and gifts during Administrative Professionals week. I am grateful to God for your support, kindness, and love.
Susan Roes

BROADER AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

Venture Club, Monday, May 4th 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Crosshill Mennonite Church. This Month's Theme: Do You Want to Go Camping? Come ready for a camp-style adventure! Songs and a short devotion, classic camping fun with games, delicious treats, and a creative hands-on craft inspired by the great outdoors! Bring a friend and share the fun—there's always room around our "campfire"! Open to all kids in JK – Grade 5.

Sunday, May 10, 7:00 pm at **St. Jacobs Mennonite Church. "Be Thou My Vision" a program of choral music by Heart Cry Ensemble.** Cost by donation. For more info visit www.heartcryensemble.ca

MEDA - Health Valley Trail Hike for Honduras! Join us on Friday, May 22, 9 a.m. for a morning of community, connection, and meaningful impact! Hosted by the MEDA Women Empowering Women group in collaboration with the Waterloo Network Hub, this event supports MEDA's OCIDA project, which provides business training and opportunities for farmers and agri-business entrepreneurs in Honduras' Dry Corridor. Everyone is welcome to join the hike, come for lunch, or both! There is no cost to register. You're [invited to support](#) the Honduras OCIDA project. [RSVP Here.](#)

June 20, 9:30-3:00 pm - St. Jacobs Art & Craft Fair- Vendors Welcome. Art - craft - music - karaoke and food fair. It is meant as an opportunity for local people to sell and showcase their work and their passions. \$25 a table unless you are a student or community group. You must provide your own table (canopy tent) and the church will be open for access to washrooms. Last year was a lot of fun. If you would like to participate whether it is arts/crafts or music to food, please email susan.weber2@icloud.com by May 30th. Location: St. Jacobs Mennonite Church Parking Lot.

Timmins Learning Tour August 17-21, 2026, Timmins, Ontario. MCC is excited to invite you to a unique experiential learning tour, where the focus is on building strong connections and mutual respect between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities. This is more than just a trip – it's a chance to step out of your comfort zone, connect, learn, and contribute to building bridges between communities. Learn more [here](#).

A Year Later: Reflecting on Anabaptism at 500

Last year, Anabaptist groups around the world celebrated the 500th anniversary of Anabaptist beginnings, symbolically associated with the first adult baptisms in Zurich, Switzerland, on January 21, 1525. Here in North America, MennoMedia led the way. With some distance now from those milestone celebrations, we pause to reflect on the significance of the 2025 commemorations. MennoMedia is committed to keeping this vision alive--not only in 2025 or 2026, but for generations to come. Thank you for the ways you have been part of this work. We invite you to continue your support of this mission through your generosity. Be a part of the community helping to sustain a living tradition that continues to grow, adapt, and take root in new lives. Consider making a gift today to support this important work. To donate please visit mennomedia.org/donate/ or contact MitchS@MennoMedia.org or at 540-908-3933.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Join our team! New opportunities at MCC. For full job descriptions and to apply, visit mcc.org/serve.

[Custodian](#) - New Hamburg (Part-time)

[Physical Resources Manager](#) - Kitchener (Full-time)

[Administrative Assistant](#) - Kitchener (Part-time)

Canada Summer Jobs roles in Kitchener, Elmira, Leamington and New Hamburg.

MCEC IN PRAYER

Please pray for the MCEC community of congregations. This week we hold **Église Jésus-Christ Appelle Tous** in prayer. Pastors Cyprien Muteleke Kibukila, Eloco Aoci Jerome and Maarifa Mutudu provide pastoral leadership for this congregation. Pray for this congregation composed of primarily of immigrants and refugees from Swahili speaking countries in East Africa as they seek to be a church for all people (Jesus Christ Calls All). **God of peace**, amid the recent waves of violence, loss and unrest unfolding across our world, we come before you seeking your steadying presence. Hold close all who are grieving, fearful or displaced, and soften hearts where anger and division have taken root. May your peace take hold in communities and nations, guiding us toward compassion, restraint and hope.

OFFERING REPORT - April 26, 2026

Total Offering (budget): \$2569.00

Sunday Offering: \$360.00

E Transfers: \$1000.00

PAO Offering: \$1209.00

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