WELLESLEY MENNONITE CHURCH

INFORMATION SHEET – November 1, 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: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85140408023

Order Of Worship

Welcome and announcements
Land acknowledgement
Musical interlude
Call to worship
Opening prayer
Song – VT#398 - *Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet*
Scripture reading from Psalm 119
Song – VT#592 *How firm a foundation*
Sermon – ***More precious than gold***
Song – VT#404 *We praise the Word of God*
Celebration Jar
Sharing our offerings
Congregational prayer
Song – VT#420 *God of the Bible*
Benediction

Coffee Time: Donations will be gratefully accepted for The Working Centre, helping vulnerable people in our Region. Please consider taking a turn making coffee and/or snack for Coffee Time. Signup sheet is on the bulletin board.

THIS WEEK - See WMC calendar: http://www.wellesleymennonite.ca/calendar/
Sunday, November 8th- Junior Sunday School during the worship service "Blessed are the Peacemakers".

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND EVENTS:

North of 60 Men's Breakfast, Tuesday, November 10th, 8:30 a.m. at Schmidtsville Restaurant.

Mapleview Church has invited WMC folks to join them at Peaceful Meadows Retirement Residence, 6124 Ana Street, Brunner **on Friday, November 20th at 2:30 p.m.** to entertain the residents with hymns and a visit. Please contact Sandra Gerber at sannamae12@gmail.com if you wish to participate.

YOUTH EVENTS

Friday, November 13th, 7-9:00 p.m.– "Fun Find the Flashlight" Night – aka "Gargons"; at Crosshill Church! Group games as well - wear proper footwear and bring a "SPOOKY" snack to share!

Sunday, November 22 - 2:30-5:30pm - All Youth Gathering at Rockway Mennonite Collegiate. Grades 6-12. Join us for a variety of games, activities and connections with a focus on peacemaking. *We are really encouraging our youth to come to this.*

BROADER AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

Venture Club, Monday, November 2, 6:30-8 p.m. at Crosshill Mennonite Church: GIVING FROM THE HEART! Small Acts of Kindness, Big Love! For Children JK – Grade 5. Games & activities, fun crafts, yummy snack, Bible story & devotion and lots of laughs and time together!

Wellesley Blood Donor Clinic, Monday, November 9, 1-8 p.m. Appointments encouraged but walk-ins may be accommodated. Book now at blood.ca or call 1 888 2 DONATE

Mend: An invitation from Jesus to return to land-based repair: An evening with author Jodi Spargur. *Monday, November 9, 7:00 p.m., Parkminster United Church, 275 Erb St. E, Waterloo*
Join MCC Ontario Indigenous Neighbours and New Leaf Press for an evening of honest truth-telling, biblical reimagining and hopeful conversation with author Jodi Spargur. Explore how Scripture, history, and Indigenous witness call us away from polite lament and toward tangible, land-based restoration. Discover next steps for you and your church on your journey to restore right relationships with neighbours and the land itself. Copies of Mend will be available for purchase and signing. Free admission, donations welcome.

When God calls someone to leadership, a journey begins. Perhaps you are on that journey. Perhaps you are looking for mentors and companions along the way. Mennonite Church Eastern Canada invites you to join **Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program**. This program is for lay leaders, pastors, church planters, and other emerging leaders who are called without specific training for ministry or who are exploring a call to ministry. The early application deadline to apply for spring 2027 is November 13, with the final application deadline on December 11. For more information visit www.ambs.edu/journey, or contact your pastor, Marilyn Rudy-Froese mrudyfroese@mcec.ca; or Yoel Masyawong ymasyawong@mcec.ca.

DaCapo Chamber Choir Concert - *Be Music, Night.* Saturday November 14th, 7:30pm and Sunday November 15th, 3:00pm at Trillium Lutheran, 22 Willow St, Waterloo Featuring music that flows from loss & fear to hope; with guest cellist Miriam Stewart-Kroeker. $30 for adults | $25 for seniors (65+) | $15 for post-secondary students $5 for youth & children (18 & under) **www.dacapochamberchoir.ca**

MDS October edition of *On the Level* is now available. In this edition, Kevin King, retiring MDS U.S. Executive Director, shares his reflections on MDS partnership across borders. Read *On the Level:* **https://conta.cc/4BzpR87**

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

MCC is excited to announce **new opportunities** to join our team and make a meaningful impact in communities across Ontario. If you are passionate about community engagement, collaboration and fostering belonging, we invite you to apply. Thrift Assistant Manager – Elmira. For full job description and to apply, visit mcc.org/serve.

MCEC IN PRAYER

- Please pray for the MCEC community of congregations; this week we hold **Hochma** in prayer. Daniel Perron and Lyne Renaud provide pastoral leadership to this community in Montréal, QC. God, bless the people of Hochma with wisdom, unity and a deep love for You, that they may be a faithful witness to Christ in their community.
- Pray for **Chip Bender and Wendy Janzen**, co-pastors at Erb Street Mennonite Church and Wendy also at Burning Bush Forest Church, upon the death of Chip's father, Delmer Bender, on October 26, 2026. Visitation will be held at Mark Jutzi Funeral Home in New Hamburg on Thursday, October 29, from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. A funeral service will be held at East Zorra Mennonite Church on Friday, October 30, at 2 p.m. Read more in Delmer's obituary. *As a community of congregations, one way we can care for our pastors is by holding them and their families in prayer during times of grief, asking God to surround them with comfort, strength and peace.*
- Give thanks for the **30 people who gathered at the MCEC/Together in Worship Intercultural Worship Workshop** at Grace Lao Mennonite Church in Kitchener this weekend to reflect on the worship needs and opportunities of diaspora congregations. May they return to their congregations inspired and equipped, helping communities grow in faithful worship, transformation and hope.
- Pray for wisdom and clarity in preparation for a nationwide Mennonite Church Canada Youth Ministry Consultation, November 23-25 in Winnipeg. Pray for Marilyn Rudy-Froese, MCEC Leadership Minister, who will be attending.
- God, we come to you **troubled** by the increasing violence in our world, troubled by wars and threats of wars, troubled by hate and discrimination. We pray that your Spirit would **shape us into people of shalom**, recognizing our neighbours, pursuing justice, challenging violence and sustaining a hopeful witness of peace together. Lord, heal our land; hear our prayer. (From MC Canada/MC USA Binational Prayer, October 2026)
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OFFERING REPORT – October 25, 2026:

Total Offering (budget): $4662.00

Sunday Offering: $345.00
E Transfers: $2150.00
PAO Offering: $1267.00

Above Budget Donations:
Coffee Time – The Working Centre: $13.25

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