

WELLESLEY MENNONITE CHURCH

INFORMATION SHEET – October 11, 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 *Thanksgiving Sunday*

Announcements

Land acknowledgement

Reflective musical moment

Call to worship and opening prayer

Song #34 "We praise you, O God, our Redeemer"

Children's story

A time for scripture: [Philippians 4:4-9](#)

Song #496 "I owe the Lord a morning song" (v. 1, 2, 4)

Sermon: ***Happy Thanksyearning!***

A time for offering

Congregational prayer

Song #419 "Great is thy faithfulness"

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/>

Monday 7:00 p.m.- Prayer Group meets in the Boardroom. All are welcome!

Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.- Men's North of 60 Breakfast at Schmidtsville

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

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND EVENTS:

Senior's Event, Tuesday, October 20th, 2:00 p.m. at WMC. An afternoon of humour with Herb and Shirley! Come prepared for a good time! Sign up on the bulletin board and invite a friend.

Sunday, October 25th, during the second hour. **Worship Equipping Workshop: *Who...me? Lead worship?*** Please join us for this time of encouragement, mentoring and tools.

Peace Conference- You don't need to be an expert to build peace. If you're looking for hopeful, practical ways to respond to conflict and division, join MCC Ontario's Peace Conference. Learn from keynote speakers seeking peace in Syria and the U.S., connect with others, and discover simple steps you can take toward a more peaceful tomorrow. November 7, Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, Kitchener. Pay what you can (\$60 recommended). [Register by October 27](#) to save your seat. Bring a friend or neighbour, and let's build peace together.

BROADER AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

Wellesley Worships! Come together as the greater Church, to worship and honour Jesus in our own town! Saturday, October 17, 7 p.m. at St Mark's (1123 Henry St). Worship music, short message and prayer. This is a great non-denominational event for teens, young adults and older adults...Everyone is welcome.

The Congregational Leadership Webinar Series returns Thursday, October 29. Join Dr. Betty Pries as she leads "Giving and Receiving for Feedback Church Leaders" Online 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm EDT. For rates and details visit uwaterloo.ca/conflict-management/congregational-leadership-webinars

Join us for the MCEC Intercultural Worship Gathering and Potluck, October 31, 4 - 6 p.m., Grace Lao Mennonite Church, 575 Lancaster St. W., Kitchener. This will be a special time of worship, unity and celebration, as various congregations come together to honour our diversity in Christ. Potluck follows - bring food to share, always a highlight!

With Grateful Hearts - Celebrating God's work through MDS. You are invited to a dessert evening featuring stories from Kevin King (retiring MDS U.S. Executive Director) and music by harpist Eduard Klassen. There will be an opportunity to donate to the mission of MDS. Steinmann Mennonite Church, Baden - Oct. 31, 7-8:30 p.m. Details and RSVP at <https://mds.org/event/>

Canada is pouring money into the military at a pace not seen since World War II — and most of us have no idea what that actually means. What does this historic increase in military spending look like on the ground, and who is covering the cost? This is a moment for Anabaptists to invite others into a different version of security — one built on relationship, not rifles. [Find out how to make the most of this moment](#)

Free Noon Hour Concerts | Most Wednesdays from September to November at Conrad Grebel University College. Enjoy performances by professional musicians during the lunch hour. All are welcome! Concerts begin at noon in the Grebel Chapel. Full schedule: grebel.ca/music/events

Interested in pastoral training? Conrad Grebel University College at the University of Waterloo offers a two-year Master of Theological Studies degree for people from a range of academic backgrounds. Integrate academic study and practical internships to prepare for a pastoral role in congregations, chaplaincy in hospitals, prisons, or elder care facilities, or social service work in varied settings. Full-time Canadian/permanent residents are eligible for full tuition scholarships. Learn more at uwaterloo.ca/theological-studies.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Hidden Acres is hiring. We are looking to fill a part-time, year-round, housekeeping role as soon as possible. For more information visit www.hiddenacres.ca or contact Brent at brent@hiddenacres.ca or [519-625-8602](tel:519-625-8602).

MCEC IN PRAYER

- Please pray for the MCEC community of congregations; this week we hold Harrow Mennonite Church in prayer. Karen Sheil provides pastoral leadership to this community. God, may Harrow Mennonite Church be a place where people believe, belong and become all that you are calling them to be, sharing your love and grace with their community.
- Liz Weber will be installed and Licensed Toward Ordination at First Mennonite Church on October 11. Please pray for Liz and the congregation as they celebrate her calling to ministerial leadership. To share your encouragement and support with Liz, you can reach her at liz@firstmennonitekitchener.ca.
- 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](#))
- Pray for MCEC as they seek a Regional Minister focused on Youth and Young Adult Ministry. Pray for wisdom, discernment and the Spirit's leading as people across MCEC become aware of this ministry opportunity. Pray that God will stir the hearts of those God is calling and that potential candidates will recognize and faithfully respond to God's invitation.

OFFERING REPORT – October 4, 2026:

Total Offering (budget): \$4017.00

Sunday Offering: \$670.00

E Transfers: \$2080.00

PAO Offering: \$1267.00

Above Budget Donations:

Coffee Time – The Working Centre: \$10.00
Wellesley Community Food Cupboard: \$250.00

(If you need help accessing [links](#) in the Info Page, please contact Susan Roes in the church office)

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