

UPSIDE DOWN & INSIDE OUT **LENT 5 Letting the seed coats decay**

Sunday March 22, 2015

Worship Leader Tara Gingerich Hiebert
Chorister Chris Steingart
Accompanist Simone Peta
Readers Tian Brown, Reg Good

GATHERING

Prelude
Welcome & Prayer
Hymns

God loves all his many people #397 HWB
Heart and mind, possessions, Lord #392 HWB

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Giving Our First Fruit Offerings to the Lord

Children's Offering Project: Mary's Place – Emergency Shelter

Children's Story Eleanor Epp-Stobbe

HEARING

Scripture Jeremiah 31:31-34; John 12:20-33

Faithful God, we want to mature in faith.

But what does that really mean?

And what will we have to give up?

We wonder what transformation requires of us,
our congregation, our area and national church.

We're afraid you'll ask too much.

SILENCE

We want to be your people.

**Make us willing receivers of a covenant
knit into the centre of our beings.**

Sermon – Authentic Jesus. Vulnerable Self. Chanel Cressman

Hymn In the bulb there is a flower #614 HWB

RESPONDING

Reading – Lead Us In The Way Adapted by Lisa Frenz

Come, Holy Spirit and lead us.

Lead us in the Way. The Way Christ walked:

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Praying Together

Hymn Unless a grain of wheat #56 STS

Benediction

God turns things upside down and inside out,
writing a new way of being into our very DNA.

**God, we will watch and wait
for your new thing to bear fruit within and among us.**

Postlude – Lenten Theme Hymn My soul cries out

We welcome all to our church community.

**Following the worship time, you are invited to enjoy coffee, juice
and conversation in the foyer.**

Ushers: Dorothy Horton, Reg Good, Jonathan Klassen, Andre Charette

Greeters: John Bullock

Nursery: not staffed today

Offering Counters: Karl Braun & Janet Charette

\$ Stewardship & Finance Update:

Mar 15 Attendance 87 Budget Giveings \$2,294.00

Calendar of Coming Events

TODAY		Young Adults at Reg & Kathy's
Mar. 23	Mon 1:00 pm	Seniors "Games & Junk Food" – Library
Mar. 25	Wed 7:00 pm	Elders – Library
Mar. 25	Wed 7:00 pm	Personnel Committee at Brenda Hallman's
Mar. 29	Sun 9:45 am	Palm/Passion Sunday – Lent 6 Kyle Gingerich Hiebert preaching
Isaiah 50:4-9; Psalm 31:9-16, 118:1-2,19-26; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 11:1-11		
Mar. 30	Mon 1:00 pm	Men's Crokinole – Room 100
Apr 1	Wed 7:00 pm	Church Council – Library

Birthdays

Mar. 24	Julia Enns-LeDoare	Mar. 28	Alex Charette
Mar. 25	Isaac Lopers	Mar. 28	Dale Wombwell
Mar. 27	Jan Driedger		

Announcements.



Good Friday Communion Service April 3 at 10:00 am
Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25;
I Corinthians 11:23-26; John 18:1-19:42
All are welcome. Nursery care provided.



Easter Carry-In Breakfast April 5 at 8:30 am
Join your church family for Easter breakfast and fellowship before worship.
Suggested items: boiled eggs, cheese or fruit tray, muffins,
buns, breads, sweet breads, coffee cake. Beverages
provided. Please bring your own dishes.



Easter Worship Service April 5 at 9:45 am
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Acts 10:34-43; I Corinthians 15:1-11;
John 20:1-18
There will be no Sunday School classes on Easter.

- **Are you interested in learning more about Mennonite belief and practice?** Are you interested in baptism, in becoming a member of BMC? You are invited to consider baptism and church membership by transfer, confession of faith, or through baptism. Please let Pastor Eleanor or an Elder know of your interest.

- **Creative Hands needs fabric** to make into comforters. If you have material you'd like to donate, please see Dale Wombwell.

- **BMC Website "MEMBERS" section** requires a new password. If you are a member or attending our church and would like to access the website, please contact the church office for your user name and password.

- **Garage Sale** - Thinking about starting Spring Cleaning? The Youth can help! Save your treasures for the BMC Youth Garage Sale set for May 2nd. Questions or concerns, contact Amanda Snyder lsnyder.amanda@gmail.com

- **Canadian Mennonite newspaper** is available to all homes. If you are not currently receiving your monthly copy, please contact the church office. It is also available electronically. If you are already subscribed but wish to discontinue, please contact the church office to be removed from the list.

- **Comforter Blitz at BMC for MCCO** Wed, April 8 beginning at 9:00am. MCEC Perimeter Cluster Churches will join us. Lunch provided, but please sign up on main bulletin board.

- **Our BMC Annual Budget Meeting** is April 29 at 7 pm at the church. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending! The meeting agenda will include a motion to sanction an amendment to the bylaw pertaining to scheduling our annual budget meeting

Beyond the Congregation

See more events/info on sheet on bulletin board

- **Mennonite Economic Development Associates** Waterloo Spring Banquet at Steinmann MC on Saturday March 28 at 6:30pm. www.meda.org/waterloo

- **Conrad Grebel Student Council** presents: *Fiddler on the Roof*, Mar 28 & 29. Tickets at the door or Conrad Grebel main office (519-885-0220)

- **Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir** invites parents and children to an open rehearsal on Tues. March 31 at W-K United Mennonite Church. More info: imcc.conductor@rogers.com

- **WMCEC Enrichment Day** (for women of all ages) Saturday, April 18, at the Listowel Mennonite Church. See flier on bulletin board for details.

- **Mennonite Church Eastern Canada Annual Church Gathering** is April 24 & 25 at Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, with the theme "Sharing Our Faith." <https://www.mcec.ca/annual-church-gathering-2015-0> Please consider being a church delegate. If interested, contact John Cressman or the church office by March 31.

- **New Hamburg Relief Sale Promotion Dinner** Monday, April 20 at Bingeman's. Tickets available from church office. Tickets \$10.

- **MennoHomes** has just launched a survey to help assess the needs related to affordable housing in Elmira. We've partnered with other local agencies to create and distribute it and we are inviting Christian churches in and around Elmira to also participate. See details in "Beyond the Congregation" sheet.



Breslau Mennonite Church

We strive to be a welcoming community of faith and worship
 Supporting each other as we learn and grow
 Extending Christ's love, peace, and justice
 With our community
 With the world

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 Amanda Snyder

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