

Sunday February 1, 2015

Worship Leader Bryan Berg
Readers Alex Charette, Eleanor Epp-Stobbe,
Pauline Gingrich, Maria Klassen, Jeremy Wiebe
Chorister Karl Braun
Accompanists Janice Klassen, Joel Gingerich

GATHERING AS COMMUNITY

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship

Prayer

#122 STJ

Source of all hope and holiness, we gather this morning to be church. Bless those who are absent, but not from our hearts. Bless those who are distant, but not from your love. Bless each of us here that we may choose justice by your Spirit, draw kindness from the well of your mercy.

And walk humbly in your path, O God. AMEN

Congregational Hymns

Asithi: Amen #64 HWB

This is a day of new beginnings #640 HWB

Scripture

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; 2 Corinthians 5:17

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Grant us, Lord, the grace #388 HWB

Giving Our First Fruit Offerings to the Lord

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

LISTENING TO GOD'S SPIRIT STIRRING

Hymn in Memory of Alex Kinsie

Amazing Grace #143 HWB

Children's Story

Dorothy Hadfield

Scripture

Isaiah 58:11

Reflection – Creation Calls

Prayer of Thanks

Congregational Hymn

You are all we have #29 STJ

PRAYING WITH OUR LIVES

Reading – Waiting for Bread . . . and for God's future

Congregational Hymn

Calm me, Lord #45 STS

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Praying Together

Congregational Hymn

The Lord lift you up #73 STJ

Benediction

Postlude

We welcome all to our church community.

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

Ushers: Andre Charette, Karen Good, Katherine Charette, Tian Brown

Greeters: Eleanor McKee & Mary Fast

Nursery: Bryan Berg & Jessa Braun

Offering Counters: Ted Rowe

Educational Classes for all ages at 11:00 am

Age 2-3 – JK - Sharla Braun, Kerri Burt, Angela Wise..... Downstairs
SK-Grade 1 – Krista Burkhardt, Giselle Maerz, Jeremy Wiebe Downstairs
Grade 2-5 – Helen Fehr & Geordie HagermanRoom 203
Jr. Youth –Phil Martin & Ingrid NeufeldRoom 208
Sr. Youth – Eleanor Epp-StobbeRoom 201
Adults – TED Talk: Culture & Consumption – Linden Gossen..... Sanctuary

\$ Stewardship & Finance Update:

Jan 25 Attendance 140 Budget Givings \$4,307

Birthdays

Feb. 2 Hannah Gingerich Hiebert Feb. 5 Nick Martin
Feb. 5 Heather McGill

Calendar of Coming Events

TODAY	9:45 am	Worship in Song, Scripture & Prayer
Feb. 2	Mon 1:00 pm	Men's Crokinole – Room 100
Feb. 2	Mon 7:00 pm	Creative Hands – Room 100
Feb. 3	Tue 2:00 pm	Creative Hands – Room 100
Feb. 4	Wed 7:00 pm	Church Council – Library
Feb. 8	Sun 9:45 am	John Neufeld, Executive Director HOF
	12:00 N	Potato Lunch – for House of Friendship

Personal

- **Alex Kinsie** passed away last Saturday morning, January 24. "We would like to thank everyone who had a part in Alex's memorial service on Tuesday. Eleanor and David for their many visits and comforting words; the food committee for the meal delivered and served at the funeral home between visitations on Monday and the refreshments prepared and served after the service. Thank you for the many cards, kind words and expressions of sympathy." Sincerely, **Alice Kinsie and family**
- **Laura & Dan Shantz** give thanks for the birth of their daughter, Emma Lynn Shantz on Sunday, January 25.

Announcements

☞ **Check out our new BMC website:** www.breslaumc.ca and note the new email address for our church office and Pastor Eleanor. Info about accessing the member section will be circulated shortly.

• **Annual Baked Potato Lunch Fundraiser for the House of Friendship** Sunday, February 8. Sponsored by Missions Committee. Please sign up on the main bulletin board. All proceeds raised will go to support H of F.

• **Benevolence Fund** – Various needs have arisen, and the elders are inviting contributions to this fund. Please mark your envelopes 'Benevolence'.

♪ **Kate Strathdee fundraising concert** – Sat Feb 21, 7:00 at BMC. Kate is raising money for her upcoming service trip this summer working with children in the Andes Mountains in Ecuador. Admission by donation. Come out for a great musical evening and help Kate meet her \$3,000 fundraising goal.

- **Church Phone Directory** – Extra copies should be on the table in the foyer, but if you need one, please email the church or leave Dorothy a note.
- **Please note updates for your directory...** PLEASE CHECK YOUR PAPER BULLETIN, PHONE CHURCH OFFICE OR EMAIL CHURCH OFFICE

~Kyle & Tara Gingerich Hiebert:

~Dan & Laura Shantz:

~Jennifer David:

~Karen Good:

~Dan & Diane Burkhart

Please notify the church office with updates &/or corrections. Thank you.

- **Garage Sale** - Thinking about starting Spring Cleaning? The Youth can help! Save your treasures for the BMC Youth Garage Sale set for early May.

Beyond the Congregation

See more events/info on sheet on bulletin board.

- **Listening for Grace** – Ted and Company present their newest drama at Waterloo North Sunday, February 8, 3:00 p.m. This new play by Ted Swartz is a funny, powerful, poignant performance which gives voice to our fears and hopes when a faith community engages in questions around same sex relationships. <http://www.tedandcompany.com/shows/listening-grace/>. Hosted by Waterloo North, St. Jacobs, Bloomingdale and Stirling Mennonite churches. All are welcome (no admission cost, donations accepted at door).

- **Mennonite Spiritual Directors of Eastern Canada Day Of Quiet Prayer** is Wed. Feb. 4, 9 - 3 at W-K United Mennonite Church, 15 George St. Waterloo. The theme is "The Gifts of Winter Spirituality", led by Ardith Frey, cost \$20.

Register through mennospiritdir@gmail.com.

- **Seniors Information & Active Living Fair** – Thurs. Feb. 12, 9:00-1:30 at Breslau Community Centre. See poster on hall bulletin board.

- **Rockway's Fundraising Dinner** February 26 featuring Rescue Junction with opening act No Discernible Key. Tickets \$75 each with \$25 receipt. Tables of 8 can be reserved RSVP by February 12 to 519-342-0007 x3012

- **Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) is calling people** to drywall and paint in February at the Stoney Creek repair. Also consider assisting our neighbours in Detroit who still need help in cleaning out homes that were flooded in August. Phone Martin Durksen at 905-736-1060 for more information.

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



***what does the Lord require of you;
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God***

Micah 6:8

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