



World Upside Down

February 9th, 2020

Prelude Ester Funk

Welcome Kevin McCabe

Call to Worship

Leader: Holy God, you gather the whole universe
into your radiant presence
and continually reveal your Son as our Saviour.

**People: Your searching Spirit reveals and illumines
your presence in creation.**

Leader: Shine your radiant holiness into our lives,
that we may offer our hands and hearts to your work.

**People: Bring healing to all wounds,
make whole all that is broken,**

Leader: speak truth to all illusion,
and shed light in every darkness,

**All: *that all creation will see your glory
and know your Christ.***

Prayer

*Hymn *When morning gilds the skies* HWB 644

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

Offering/Offertory/Prayer *Here I Am, Lord*

Women's Chorus *Holy Spirit Here Today*

Scripture Reading Psalm 112:1-9 [OT p.563]

*Hymn *Seek ye first the kingdom of God* HWB 324

Prayers of the People Pastor Doug

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:13-20 [NT p.4] Anita Stephen

Sermon "THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE" Pastor Doug

*Hymn of Response *You are salt for the earth* HWB 226 v.2,4

Benediction

*Sending Hymn *This little light of mine* HWB 401 v.1,2

It is good to be together in worship this morning!

The ushers are pleased to help any who need assistance.

Please stay for coffee fellowship after the service.

Focus Group this morning ~ The Focus Group will begin by responding to the sermon, and then go on to discuss an article by Dorothy Yoder Nyce, "*Sharing God's Gift of Wholeness with Living Faiths: Biblical Examples.*" It is the author's approach to the question of truth in other religions.

OFFERING FOR SUNDAY February 2nd, 2020

Budget – \$4,080.00

Attendance – 45

SCRIPTURE READINGS for February 16th, 2020

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Psalms 119:1-8

Matthew 5:21-37

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

WEDNESDAY 2:30 pm Grace / Linwell Bible Study

THURSDAY 9:00 am Quilting

9:00 am Worship Committee

10:30 am Church Council

6:30 pm Women's Chorus

SUNDAY 9:30 am Waldo Pauls, Speaker

11:00 am Annual Meeting

🎵 Women's Chorus Practices

Today February 9th, 11:00 am; Thursday February 13th, 6:30 pm;

Sunday February 16th, 9:00 am; Sunday March 1, 9:00 am.

Annual Meeting date is Sunday February 16th at 11:00 am.



Soup Supper on Thursday, February 27th, 5:30 – 7 pm

Please sign up on the bulletin board if you can bring donations of soup, bread or dessert. Soup Supper donations will be directed to Haiti – Pastor Accilien Ministry.

Voices Together is the new hymnal for the Mennonite Church and will be available in the Fall of 2020. While we will not be replacing our current hymnals at Grace with this new release at this time, we will be ordering a few copies to be used as a worship resource. If you are interested in wanting this new hymnal as a personal copy for your home, please let Lorraine Sawatzky know before the end of February. She will include your order when calling in the church order on Monday, March 2nd. Approximate cost is \$32.99 per hymnal, plus any taxes/shipping if applicable.

OUTREACH & INSIGHT

Christian Peacemaker Teams Report - CPT is an organization that does excellent work addressing peace and justice concerns in difficult places. It is supported by many Mennonite individuals and groups. The latest CPT report focuses on challenging situations in Greece, Iraq, Colombia, Palestine, and Canada. Copies are available on the foyer brochure 'rack' (where recent Sunday bulletins are located).

John Rempel Book Launch @ Peace of Cake - On Friday, February 21, at 7 pm we will host an evening where John Rempel will present ideas from his freshly published book *Recapturing An Enchanted World: Ritual and Sacrament in the Free Church Tradition*. This is the first book in a series on worship being published by InterVarsity Press. John's book shows that "by embracing life-giving and peacemaking practices, the worship of...the whole body of Christ might be transformed and become enchanted once again."

ACROSS THE STREET AND AROUND THE WORLD

100 years of MCC: Niagara Celebrations Is MCC close to your heart? Are you interested in planning celebrations in Niagara for this fall, 2020? **We are currently searching for 5 more people from different churches to join the MCC Niagara Celebrations Planning Committee.** Reach out to Ellery Rauwerda on the MCC Ontario Centennial Planning Committee, by **Sunday, February 23rd.** *Please note that we will be seeking more help as the fall approaches. If a committee is not your thing, there will be many other ways to get involved!*

The Canadian Bible Society will be holding a Used Book and Postage Stamp Sale at the Fairview Mall (Zehrs end), St. Catharines, on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 21-22. Donations of gently used books, postage stamps and albums, CDs and DVDs will be gratefully received. For more information, including donations and pick up, contact Kevin

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

... those facing health challenges and those experiencing recent and continued grief.

... each week MCEC staff pray for the faith communities within our MCEC community of congregations. Join MCEC in praying for **Preston Mennonite Church** in Cambridge, ON.

... a team of Laotian MCEC pastors and leaders who will travel to Thailand tonight where they will meet with and support Tom and Christine Poovong, International Witness Workers. The team will be teaching *Anabaptist Essentials* and encouraging church planters and leaders in Thailand.

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