



**June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 9:30 a.m.**  
*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

**Prelude** Annie Schulz

**Gathering Thoughts**  
**Lighting the Christ Candle** Laur Steven

**Call to Worship**

Leader: Come, bless the Lord with me!

**People: For the Lord is like a father to his children  
compassionate and merciful,  
filled with endless love.**

Leader: He forgives our sins,  
and heals the sickness inside us;

**People: he surrounds us with love and mercy  
and fills our lives with good things!**

**All: *Let's worship God together!***

**Prayer**

**Hymn** *Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven* HWB #65, vv.1-3

**Passing of the Peace**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Hymn** *Praise God (Doxology)* VT #71

*Praise God, the Source of life and birth.*

*Praise God, the Word who came to earth.*

*Praise God the Spirit, holy Flame. All glory, honor to God's name.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*praise him all creatures here below;*

*praise him above, ye heav'nly host;*

*praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

**Prayers of the People** Laur Steven

**Hymn** *For God so loved us* HWB #167

**Scripture Reading** Psalm 84:1-4, 10-12 (OT p.543)



**Mennonite Church Canada Gathering 2025 - July 2-5th:** Every three years our nationwide community of faith gathers together for a time of relationship-building, discernment, business and worship. This year's event will be held at Rockway Collegiate, Kitchener, ON. Grace is interested in sending at least one official delegate. We are able to cover the registration cost involved (\$385 which includes meals) but not lodging or mileage costs. **If you are interested, please let Pastor Darrell know.**

### **ACROSS THE STREET AND AROUND THE WORLD**

#### ***Fundraiser for the Niagara Regional Native Centre***

We have raised \$4,800 so far towards our goal of \$6,000 for a floor cleaner for the Niagara Regional Native Centre! Contribute today by sending an e-transfer to [office@bethanymennonite.ca](mailto:office@bethanymennonite.ca). Write 'floor cleaner' in the message as well as your address and Bethany Mennonite Church will provide charitable receipts. You can also mail a donation to Bethany Mennonite Church or bring a contribution to the bbq. Join the celebration at the **BBQ Fundraiser Finale** on Saturday, June 21st, at Bethany Mennonite Church, from 5-8pm (bring lawn chairs). There'll be hamburgers, hot dogs, watermelon, and the Centre will bring strawberry juice, and a strawberry dessert.



Please pray for the **MCEC community of congregations**. This week we are praying for **The Meeting Place**. Sue Carr provides pastoral leadership for this community, supported by Randell Neudorf. This community gathers together in downtown Hamilton as a church where everyone has a seat at the table.

#### **A Moment for MEDA: Spotighting the vital role biodiversity plays in building resilient, sustainable agri-food systems**

MEDA is an international economic development organization that creates business solutions to poverty. In the Philippines and Kenya, MEDA is partnering with smallholder farmers and agribusinesses to protect ecosystems and improve livelihoods through sustainable cacao and aquaculture practices. There are a variety of ways to support MEDA. You can give by your offering. If by cash or cheque, designate the envelope "MEDA." By e-transfer, put "MEDA" in the message box. Thank you.



**A Moment for First Steps** - a Christian organization (and partner with MCC) is committed to preventing child malnutrition in North Korea through programs that provide essential nutrients to young children and pregnant and lactating mothers.

First Steps brings soymilk and nutritional supplements to over 100,000 children and 20,000 mothers each day. And not only that, all of this done with marvelous partnerships and friendships: orphanage leaders, educators, and even upper level government officials all work together and with First Steps for the good of mothers and their children.

With God and your support, anything is most certainly possible.

First Steps – showing the love of Christ in North Korea by providing sustainable, and life-enhancing nutritional relief.  
<https://www.firststepscanada.org/>

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### ***The Lord's Prayer***

*Our Father who art in heaven.*

*Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come.*

*Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread.*

*And forgive us our trespasses,*

*as we forgive those that trespass against us.*

*And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

*For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory.*

*For ever and ever. Amen.*

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