



March 15th, 2026 9:30 a.m.

Lent 4

Jesus, who are you really...now?

Prelude

Annie Schulz

Gathering Thoughts

Darrell Winger

Lighting the Christ Candle



Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus, you said your kingdom is not of this world.

**People: Open our eyes and hearts
to perceive your perfect peace.**

Leader: We come together to learn about God's truth for everyone.

**People: Only God's truth can comfort, heal,
strengthen and bless us.**

**All: We seek honestly and humbly
to worship and serve the Lord.**

Prayer Lord Jesus Christ, Lamb of God,
you took away the sin of the world.
You did not leave us to our own devices,
but gave yourself to us on the cross.
Now we give ourselves to you:
keep us on the path that leads to justice on earth
and eternal life in heaven. Amen.

Hymn

Christ, We Do All Adore Thee

VT #138

Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Offerings

Musical Reflection

Prayers of the People

Darrell Winger

Hymn

Eternal Light, Shine in My Heart

VT #554

Scripture Reading

Mark 12:13-17 (NT p.49)

Hymn

Open the Eyes of My Heart

VT #401

Scripture Reading

John 18:28-40 (NT p.112)

Meditation	“Jesus and Empire”	Mac Plunkett
Hymn of Response	<i>I Bind My Heart This Tide</i>	VT #556
Benediction		Mac Plunkett
Sending Hymn	<i>The Kingdom of God</i>	VT #799
Postlude		

*It is good to be together in worship this morning!
The ushers are pleased to help any who need assistance.*

[Offering plate is available on table at back of sanctuary]

Bible Study today in the 'Practical Christianity Series' will be the last for this season. The text will be 1 Timothy, Chapter Six.

This will be a wrap-up of the Pastoral Epistles.

Postponed from last week. Kevin McCabe, Facilitator

The Adult Sunday School Study Group studying the Confession of Faith will meet **today** after the service in the Fellowship Room.

Our focus is Article 19: Family, Singleness, and Marriage.

All are welcome! Laur Steven, Facilitator

GRACE NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance ~ Sunday March 8th – 50

Pastor Darrell and Anna will be on vacation, visiting family in Scotland, from March 19th through March 30th.

Sunday March 22nd ~ Speaker: Doug Schulz
Scripture Readings: Psalm 130, John 18:28-40



Coffee Time ~ March 22nd

Chris Sawatzky and Lacey Wilmott will be sharing some of their experiences from their recent time in Israel/Palestine.

Women's Chorus ~ Thursday March 26th at 9:30 am

Annual Meeting ~ After the Worship Service on **Sunday, March 29th** in the Church Hall.

Good Friday Service, April 3rd, 9:30 a.m. with Communion.
Coffee and Hot Cross Buns following.



Easter Sunday Service, April 5th, 9:30 a.m.
with Paska & Coffee

From Community Chaplain, Jan Steven



Hi Jan, On behalf of our school, I want to say thank you for the sock donation. Your group's [Grace's] kindness helps ensure that our students have warm, comfortable feet! Thank you for making a difference in our school. This is a picture of a thank you poster/art project from some of the students in our school.

Lindsey Harrison, Prince of Wales Public School, Thorold

ACROSS THE STREET AND AROUND THE WORLD



Please pray for the MCEC community of congregations.

This week we hold **Community Mennonite Fellowship** in Drayton, ON in prayer. Laurel Rounds-Fretz provides pastoral leadership for this congregation. Pray for these followers of Jesus Christ as they spread God's good news in their community and the world.

Seasons Chorale "This is Love" Easter Concert will be held at Bethany Mennonite Church on March 22nd at 3:00 p.m. Handbell Choir will play a prelude at 2:45. All are welcome!

Pleasant Manor Spring Bake Sale and Tea Room is coming!

Saturday March 28th 10-11:30 a.m.

Signage will tell you where to park and enter the new facility.

Women's Auxiliary would appreciate any donations of food baking, jams, sauces and preserves for this fundraising event.

Please bring your baked goods and items Friday March 27th between 6-8 pm. Thanks so much and hope to see you there!

Niagara Screening!

All are welcome to attend the Niagara screening of the documentary film: ***The Russlaender Migration: From Revolution to Reflection***, on Saturday, April 18, 2026, at 3:00 pm at the Linwell Church, 335 Linwell Road, St. Catharines. Join the Mennonite Historical Society of Ontario for this documentary marking 100 years since this migration and the 2023 cross-Canada train tour that commemorated it. Post film discussion led by Henry Paetkau. **Admission by donation.** Further details, a film trailer and registration can be found at mhs.org.

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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