



October 5th, 2025 9:30 a.m.

Shaped by the Spirit

Prelude

Annie Schulz

Gathering Thoughts
Lighting the Christ Candle

Judy Willems

Call to Worship

Leader: Holy One, dwell within us.

People: Whisper in our ears.

Leader: Glimmer in our vision.

People: Write upon our hearts.

Leader: We wait

People: With open ears, open eyes, open hearts.

All: Amen.

Prayer

Hymn *All creatures of our God and King* HWB #48, vv.1,4,7

Passing of the Peace

Offertory Prayer

Hymn *Longing for Light* VT #715

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.

Longing for truth, we turn to you.

Make us your own, your holy people,

Light for the world to see.

Refrain: *Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.*

Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

*Many the gifts, many the people,
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come. Refrain*

Prayers of the People

Judy Willems

Hymn *You are salt for the earth*

HWB #226

Scripture Reading Isaiah 58:6-10 (OT p.688)

GRACE NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance ~ Sunday, September 28th – 42

September total budget offerings was \$10,223.83

Women's Chorus ~ October 9th, 23rd at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, October 12th ~ Speaker: Darrell Winger
Scripture Readings: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 100;
Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35

Thanksgiving Sunday

As we gather next Sunday, we want this time to be an opportunity for all of us to express gratitude and thanksgiving. So, come prepared to share what has been meaningful to you in this past year, something or someone that has been life-giving, an experience or happening for which you are grateful, a Scripture, song, or even poem that has been especially helpful to you this past year, or perhaps it is an answer to prayer that continues to remind you of God's faithfulness.

Coffee Times ~ October 12th (Thanksgiving), October 26th

"The 'Practical Christianity' adult study group will meet October 12th and 26th, coffee time Sundays. Titus is one of the shortest books in the New Testament, and the chapters are also short. Please read chapters one and two of Titus for our next study. Kevin."

ACROSS THE STREET AND AROUND THE WORLD



A Moment for Mennonite Disaster Service: "I never thought there were so many kind people in the world." – *Rural Manitoba couple get new home from MDS Manitoba Unit* For decades, Poplar Park Hall in Libau, Manitoba, served as a community hub until it was sold to Jeff and Sylvia Starr. After Jeff's stroke and the hall's deterioration, they couldn't keep up with repairs. In 2022, heavy rains caused the roof to collapse, and their home was condemned. With limited government aid and no insurance, they faced losing everything. MDS stepped in to rebuild their home at no cost. "We are so thankful!"

To support the work of MDS through your giving, mark your offering envelope "MDS" or e-transfer and write "MDS" in the message box. Thank you for your gifts.



Please pray for the MCEC community of congregations. This week we are praying for **Waterloo North Mennonite Church**. Carmen Brubacher and Darren Demelo provide pastoral leadership for this community. Pray for this community in Waterloo, ON as they welcome Darren as a leader in their community, and grow together in a time of transition.

Start Me Up Niagara – The Resource Centre is a vital hub for clients, offering support with paperwork, medical appointments, and emergency clothing. **Emily Fieguth of Start Me Up Niagara will be a guest speaker at our upcoming Compassion Café** (Justice Seminar) on **Wednesday, October 22, 1:30 pm at Grace**. Start Me Up Niagara - **"Building a society where all people are included, healthy, and self-sufficient."**
<https://www.startmeupniagara.ca/>

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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