

Conestoga Mennonite Church

Our Living  **STORY MISSION:**
Joyfully Living Christ's Story to Benefit Others

October 25, 2020

Number 43

Teaching the Word (9:30 a.m.)

Classes available for all ages to connect with God & one another

Morning Worship (10:30 a.m.)

2020 Theme: "Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as you are already doing." I Thes 5:11

Prelude	Carmen Weber
Worship in Song	Worship Team led by Jody Essick
Foundations: <i>Psalm 23</i>	
<i>Greetings of Peace</i>	
Welcome & Community Life	Pastor Bob
Search Team Update	Howard Moss, Chair
Our Living HiStory Prayer	
Hymn	
The Word of the Lord	Phil 4:8-9
Message: "Think About These Things"	
Response Hymn	
Benediction	

Giving: You are welcome to give tithes and offerings through our on-line giving option, stamped mail or lobby box. Thank You!

Message copies are on our Sound Booth.

Today:

- 'Grab & Go' coffee, tea & donuts available from 9-9:30 AM
- Greeters - Nelson & Marilyn Beam
- Prayer Ministry - Austin & Kristy Unruh
- Nursery - Dani Cupo & Kathleen Weaver
- Children's Activity Packets provided by Lois Ann Mast
- Fellowship Meal of homemade soups, rolls, cheese/crackers, salad, cake/ice cream & time to honor Rachel's 9 years of service as our Youth Pastor

~This Week at CMC~

- **Tuesday, 9:15 AM** - Neighbors, Crystal Funk sharing "Serving Him in Haiti"
- **Tuesday, 5-7 PM** - Food Pantry* Distribution
- **Wednesday, 7 PM** - Pastoral Team, 7:45 PM with Elder Candidates

Next Sunday:

- "The Blessing of Sin" from Rom. 6:11-18 by Elder Nelson Beam
- Nursery - Dana Ebert & Tina Essick

~Conestoga Notes~

***Food Pantry:** Due to COVID-19 impacts, we have discerned it is not the right time to continue pursuing an addition to our facility to better host this ministry. We celebrate TVFP achieving their own 501©3 status with a strong Board of community and CMC members and look forward to continuing to host for the years ahead!

Youth Auction: Today is your final opportunity to have your item(s) published in our Nov. 13 Youth Auction sales brochure. Extra cards are on our lobby shelf. Completed cards may be dropped in the offering box.

Treasurer's Report: on our lobby shelf shows a relatively healthy giving in spite of COVID-19. We invite generous end of year giving to maintain our strong fund balances into 2021. Thank you for your faithful partnership in God's CMC mission!

Constitution Review Team has submitted their work to Ministry Council and Pastoral Team. We anticipate sharing recommended updates with you next week!

Dana Ebert has accepted the **Child Protection Policy Director** position. Any questions regarding child protection should be directed to Dana. Your prayers and support of her are much appreciated as she learns this new role! ~Marilyn Beam

~Looking Ahead~

Nov. 13, 7 PM - Youth Auction
Dec. 6, 6-7 PM - Annual Community Christmas Hymn Sing
Dec. 24, 7-8 PM - Christmas Eve Candle Lighting Service
Jan. 2, 2021 - Annual Woodcutting Service Day at Camp Deerpark

~Prayer~

Continue in prayer for members seeking healing:

- **Steve** as he battles pancreatic cancer. Pray blessing and healing for Steve and family in this faith journey.
- **Wes** celebrating a successful knee surgery Monday. Pray for full healing, restoring pain free mobility.

Praise God for opportunity in today's fellowship meal to **celebrate nine years of Rachel's faithful service** as our Youth Pastor. Pray blessing on her and Dan in this transition, and anointing on the Team that has stepped up to serve and lead our youth ministry!

Pray as **Elder candidates Dan, Greg and Merle** meet with Pastoral Team Tuesday for their 2nd circle of discernment. Pray God's Spirit to lead them to an Acts 15 "it seems good to the Holy Spirit and to us" consensus for service recommendation.

Praise God for the prayerful and thorough work our Search Team is doing to discern whom to recommend to us for pastoral leadership. Pray for wisdom and discernment for **the Team of Howard, chair, Karen, David, Liz, Nelson, Kristy, Greg and Conf. Minister Merv.**

Praise God for the Team doing our every five year review and **update of our Constitution.** Anticipate reviewing next week so your questions or concerns can be addressed prior to a vote.

This week we highlight our budget mission investment in **Mennonite Mission Agency** as they take the *whole gospel to the whole world!* Praise God He calls and commissions us to represent gospel light setting people free in Christ.



Thank You Rachel!

~October 18, 2020 Reports~

Attendance: Sunday School - 76; Worship - 94*

*Attendance does not record online participation

General Offering: \$4,273; **Designated Offerings:**

Tuition Assistance - \$275; Homes for Christ - \$30

Our Ministers: Every Member

Pastoral Team:

Pastor Bob, Chair
 Nelson Beam, Elder, Vice Chair
 Bob Horning, Elder
 David Heineman, Elder
 Jerry Petersheim, Elder
 Sonya Stoltzfus, Preaching Elder
 Austin Unruh, Preaching Elder
 Ruth Miller, Deacon Elder

Ministry Council:

Pastor Bob, Chair
 Dir. of Chr. Ed.: Marilyn Beam
 Dir. of Fellowship: Tina Essick
 Dir. of Mission: Justin Kolb
 Dir. of Stewardship: Lyle Essick
 Dir. of Worship: Kristy Unruh

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Welcome on October 25, 2020, to
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