

Order of Worship: April 26, 2026

10:00 am – In-person worship

Pastor: Jim Brown

Worship theme: Healing is something we all need at times. It can be physical, emotional, spiritual and in our relationships. We have many stories of healing in the Bible, but especially Jesus is known as a healer. This morning we want to spend time with the hymn, “*Healer of our every ill*” as part of reflecting and encouraging us to pray for healing. Prayers and anointing with oil will also be offered.

Prelude

Welcome & Call to worship

Scripture: Isaiah 53:5 But He was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the punishment that made us whole, and by His bruises we are healed.

Opening prayer

Opening Hymn: #50 HWB - Praise the Lord, sing halleluja

Prayer of Confession/Affirmation

Scripture: Matthew 11:25-30 (NIV) At that time Jesus said, “I praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because You have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this is what You were pleased to do. “All things have been committed to Me by My Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him.

“Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”

Hymn: #598 HWB - A wonderful savior is Jesus

Scripture: Matthew 9:35-38 Mary - Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When He saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.”

Message: praying for healing ~ Pastor Jim

Hymn of Response: #377 HWB - Healer of our every ill

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Offering

Closing Hymn: #582 HWB - Guide me o thou great Jehovah

Benediction

Postlude

**Please join us downstairs for Congregation discussion/ coffee time.

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**Announcements**

\*\*Anointing with oil will be offered this Sunday at the end of the service.

**Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp** and Retreat Centre is currently seeking to hire a year-round Housekeeping Coordinator (20-25 hours/week) and Housekeeping Staff (10-15 hours/week) to begin as soon as possible. Job descriptions for both positions are available on our website at [www.hiddenacres.ca](http://www.hiddenacres.ca). To apply, please forward your resume to [brent@hiddenacres.ca](mailto:brent@hiddenacres.ca). **\*\*\*Chicken BBQ & Pie Auction - June 9. Summer Camps - July & August. Alumni Day - July 4. Family Camping Weekend - September 4-7**

**Mark your calendars! Rockway is hosting the Mennonite Schools Network** (formerly Council) Choral Festival from April 30 - May 2. Join us at The St. Matthews Centre on May 2 at 3 pm for a concert featuring 7 choirs (including our Senior Choir) from Canada and the US. Stay tuned to [rockway.ca/events](http://rockway.ca/events) for more information.

**Rockway Mennonite Collegiate will be hosting**, and performing in, the *Mennonite Schools Network Choral Festival (MSN formerly MSC)* on **Saturday, May 2, 3pm at The St. Matthews Centre**. For more information, please visit [rockway.ca/events](http://rockway.ca/events). All are welcome.

**Poole People Player's Presents** "Sneaky Citizens of Saddlesore City". Their play will be presented on May 7, 8, 9 at the PERC in Milverton. Night performance at 7:30pm; Sat. afternoon performance at 2:00pm. For tickets call Janet at 519-595-8424 or 519-301-3717 or email [poolemem@perth.net](mailto:poolemem@perth.net) See poster at back.

**Save the Date: "Our Water – Challenges & Solutions"** On December 4, 2025, the Region of Waterloo announced a significant water capacity issue linked to population growth and aging infrastructure. The concern affects the Mannheim Service Area, which supplies Kitchener, Waterloo, parts of Cambridge, and Woolwich and Wilmot Townships. To help our community understand what this means and what can be done, the Nith Valley EcoBoosters invite you to: Our Water – Challenges & Solutions Tuesday, April 21, 2026 7:00–9:00 p.m. Zion United Church, 215 Peel St., New Hamburg Our keynote speaker, Dr. Hugh Simpson, is a hydrogeologist with over 30 years of experience in provincial and municipal groundwater management. Q&A will follow. This event is free, but registration is required. A livestream option will also be available. Registration details coming soon!

**Upcoming Worship Services:**

April 26 - Pastor Jim - Anointing with oil will be offered at the end of the service.

May 3 - Pastor Jim

May 10 - Pastor Jim

May 17 - Wilmot Ignited Churches worship at Nith Valley

May 24 - Robert Mann

May 31 - Pastor Jim