

Order of Worship: Sunday, July 20, 2025

10:00 am – In-person worship

Pastor: Jim Brown

Worship theme: What is it that makes a community real? What is it that makes it Christian?

Prelude

Welcome & Call to worship

Scripture: Acts 4:32-37 (NIV) *All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.*

Opening prayer

Opening Hymn: #11 HWB - Sweet hour of prayer

Prayer of Confession/Affirmation

Hymn: #374 VT - There are many gifts

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:12-21 (NIV) *Minnie - Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.*

Now if the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!"

1 Corinthians 12:26-27 (NIV) If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

Message: Community that is Real and Christian ~ Pastor Jim

Hymn of Response: #387 VT - We are one in the Spirit

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Offering

Closing Hymn: #421 HWB - Bless'd be the tie that binds

Benediction

Postlude

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

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**Announcements**

**Sunday, August 3, 10:00 am Please join our next long weekend Wilmot Ignited** joint worship service at Wilmot Mennonite Church The service will include a drama production by Arlyn Friesen Epp entitled Spirit Acts: A Monologue based on Acts 1-12.

You can join virtually by using the following Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9761314898?pwd=eHR2SE5pNWdIenJFTXVSZUhoNHpkQT09>

Hillcrest Meeting ID: 976 131 4898

Password: 1964)

**Thursday the 24th of July**, and it is the second annual (we're hoping) Hootenanny at the Detweiler. We will be led by a half dozen folks who have spent their entire lives doing group singing. (Well, to be fair, they did other things as well, like go to university and have careers and raise families and buy houses and qualify for credit cards and sink their earnings into questionable insurance plans and all, but I'm speaking in broad metaphoric strokes here, OK.) Five of the six first met in Harmony, a Voluntary Service group that toured churches and camps and prisons in the midwestern US and Ontario in 1979. Three of the six have sung together in Pax Christi Chorale. Three of the six have been members of the Rouge River Family Band (and its offshoots). Two of the six were, unashamedly, in the Distorter Band (the less said about that the better). And they are all still friends. So as to not keep you in suspense, the six songleaders for the night are Joyce Reesor, Louise Reesor, Eugene Reesor, Kate Falconer, Steve McDowell and Ivan Emke. So join us on Thursday the 24th of July, at 7 pm, for a grand time! Expect to sing along – it will be hard to keep quiet.

**Rockway invites everyone to join in the fun** this **September 13 & 14!** Whether you buy tickets for our *Food Market Fundraiser*, or join in on one of the other **FREE** events (including a *Hymn Sing!*), go to [rockway.ca/events](http://rockway.ca/events) to learn more about how we're celebrating 80 years of Rockway.

**Rockway Mennonite Collegiate invites you to help PROTECT THIS BARN.** Visit [www.rockway.ca/campaign](http://www.rockway.ca/campaign) to watch our video and learn how we are celebrating our 80th Anniversary by upgrading some of our facilities. The full list is on the website. We've already reached 70% of our goal, but we need your help to reach 100% by the Fall! Thank you for supporting Rockway.

**Save the Date: Sunday, September 21, 3 pm:** "Music for MCC Meat Cannery". Come enjoy vocal and instrumental music offered by a variety of people. Concert will be held in the Steinmann Mennonite Church sanctuary. Cost by donation – all proceeds going to MCC Meat Cannery. Everyone is welcome.

**Hidden Acres is hiring.** We are looking to fill a part-time, year round housekeeping role as soon as possible. For more information visit [www.hiddenacres.ca](http://www.hiddenacres.ca) or contact the camp at [info@hiddenacres.ca](mailto:info@hiddenacres.ca) or 519-625-8602

**Upcoming Worship Services:**

July 20 - Pastor Jim

July 27 - Maurice Martin

Aug 3 - Joint service at Wilmot

Aug 10 - Charlene Jongejan Harder

Aug 17 - Charlene Jongejan Harder

Aug 24 - Pastor Jim

Aug 31 - Pastor Jim

**Wilmot Ignited joint services**

Aug 3 - Wilmot

Aug 31 - St. Agatha

Oct 5 -

Dec 28 - Mannheim