

CHARLESWOOD MENNONITE CHURCH

August 9, 2026

Worship Service 10:00 am

Participants: Doris Rempel Dirks, Evelyn Rempel Petkau, Peter Peters,

Bernie Toews

Worship Leaders: Les Zacharias

Children's Story: Julia Thiessen

Pianist: Georg Neuhofer

Ushers: Laura Friesen, Ruth Schroeder

Technician: Josh Fast

The Word Fulfilled - Reading the Bible with Jesus

Today: A Secret Message

CALLED TO GATHER

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Opening Sentence

CALLED TO PRAISE

Leader: Lord, open our lips

People: and our mouths will proclaim your praise.

Leader: You are good to those who wait for you,

People: to all who seek you.

Song VT 75 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

Scripture Reading: Psalm 25 V.16-21

Thanksgiving

Leader: Our hearts are ready, O God; We will sing your praise.

People: Your steadfast love is higher than the heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

(Naming our Thanks)

Leader: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens,

People: and let your glory shine over all the earth. Amen.

Song VT 610 *Lord take My Hand*

Talking with our children.

"THE WORD FULFILLED - READING THE BIBLE WITH JESUS"

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 6:9-10; Matt.13:3-13

Reflections: The politics of holiness vs the politics of compassion **Peter Peters**,
the parable of the sower **Doris Rempel Dirks**

Song VT 789 *Be a Sower*

CALLED TO INTERCESSION

Sharing and Prayer

CALLED TO SERVE

Announcements and Offering of Ourselves

Song VT 847 *We Shall Go Out With Joy*

Benediction

About our summer worship series: from July 5 to August.23, our worship services will be based on the book, "The Word Fulfilled - Reading the Bible with Jesus", by Michael Pahl. The worship structure is adapted from "Take Our Moments and Our Days - An Anabaptist Prayer Book".

~ *Donations may be placed in the wooden box in the foyer near the office.* ~

Please return hymnals to the cart after the service.

Charleswood Mennonite Church Affirmation Statement (June 9, 2019)

Charleswood Mennonite Church is rooted in the Anabaptist Mennonite tradition as a community of faith committed to becoming the body of Christ.

We welcome all persons to worship and participate with us. We acknowledge the image of God in every person including those of every gender identity and sexual orientation. We invite all to participate in our congregation's practices such as baptism, church membership, church leadership, and marriage. We lament the prejudice and discrimination found in society and in the church, and we commit to holding each other accountable to the teachings and example of Jesus Christ.

We celebrate and affirm all persons worshiping with us. Together we seek to be a pilgrim community of mission, service, hospitality, grace, healing, justice, peace, and love.