

**St. Jacobs Mennonite Church - Announcement Sheet**  
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**Calendar - This Week**

Sun., Jan. 14	Noon	<b>Family Mentor Kick-Off Lunch</b> (Basement)
	<b>Due Date for Annual Report Submissions.</b>	
Mon., Jan. 15	9:00 a.m.	<b>Private Booking</b> (Sanctuary)
	2-9:00 p.m.	<b>Private Booking - Music Lessons</b> (Basement Sunday School Room)
Tues., Jan. 16	7:00 p.m.	<b>Prayer Shawl Ministry.</b> New knitters are always welcome. (Gathering Room)
Wed., Jan. 17	4-9:00 p.m.	<b>Private Booking - Music Lessons</b> (Basement Sunday School Room)
Thurs., Jan. 18	1:15 p.m.	<b>"Solo" Group.</b> (Basement)
	7:00 p.m.	<b>Sunday Morning Ministry</b> (Lounge)
Fri., Jan. 19	6:30 p.m.	<b>Intergenerational Games Night.</b> We have planned to go Indoor Mini-Golfing at Max Mini Golf. Meet at Max's Golf followed by refreshments at the church. Cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children. Sign-up sheet is on the foyer table. Contact Brenda Poole for more details.

**Calendar - Coming**

**Jan. 21 Regular Worship Schedule.**

- 10:00 a.m. **Worship.** Covenant New - The Journey Continues: "Pastors In Exile". Speaker: Tamara Shantz.
- 11:30 a.m. **Worship Response.**
- **Sunday School - Age 2-Gr. 8.** Intergenerational time with PiE guest.
- **Youth** (Youth Room) Intergenerational time with PiE guest.
- **Adults** (Basement) Intergenerational time with PiE guest.

**Jan. 26-28 - SJMC Silver Lake Snow Weekend.** Come out for a weekend of outdoor fun, games, fellowship, food and simply relaxing together as a church community. Talk to Monica Cressman or Mark Diller Harder for more information. Sign-up sheets and Information Sheets are on the foyer table.

**Feb. 11 - 2:30 p.m. SJMC Spice of Life Variety Show... "Silly, Serious, Somewhere In-Between":** Looking for all ages and a variety of "acts". See the foyer table sign-up sheet for more information. See the updated announcement with more information under "Notes" on this Announcement Sheet.

**Apr. 8 - Hold the Date! Esteemed 80s, 90s and 100s.** A special morning Worship Service celebration of appreciation for those SJMC seniors who are 80+! Further details will be announced soon. In the meantime, mention this date to your children for their calendars and an invitation of welcome to attend.

**Especially for Seniors**

**Jan. 25 - 2:00 p.m. SJMC Seniors Progressive Crokinole.** Please contact Erma Baker (519-664-2834) if you can bring a crokinole board and card table. Refreshments to follow.

**Beyond Ourselves**

**Jan. 14 - 2-5:00 p.m. Dennis Wikerd Retirement Celebration.** There will be a Receiving Line from 2-3:00 and 4-5:00 p.m. with a Program from 3-4:00 p.m. You are invited to join in celebrating Dennis Wikerd's contribution over almost 40 years of teaching at Rockway Mennonite Collegiate. (Rockway Mennonite Collegiate)

**Jan. 16 - 7:00 p.m. Rockway Mennonite Collegiate Grade 9 Information Night.** Attend the Information Night to discover Rockway. See poster on bulletin board. Register at [www.rockway.ca](http://www.rockway.ca). (Rockway Mennonite Collegiate)

**Jan. 17** (Parkwood Mennonite Home) and **January 18** (Fairview Mennonite Home) - 2:00-4:00 p.m. *Retirement Celebration in honour of Tim Kennel.* See poster on bulletin board.

**Jan. 20 - 5:30 p.m. Dinner; 7:00 p.m. Movie. Rockway Mennonite Church Dinner and Movie.** You are invited to dinner and a movie, "A Gentle and Tender Film", a wrenching family drama. (Japanese with English subtitles). To reserve a seat, email [office@rockwaymc.ca](mailto:office@rockwaymc.ca) or call 519-578-4900. See poster on bulletin board. (Rockway Mennonite Church, 47 Onward Ave., Kitchener)

**Jan. 25 - 7:30 p.m. Conrad Grebel University College Fretz Visiting Scholar Lecture with Russian history scholar Aileen Friesen.** Aileen will explore Mennonite colonization on Muslim land in her lecture, "Muslim-Mennonite Encounters in the Russian Empire". See poster on the bulletin board. (Grebel Great Hall)

**Jan. 27 - 7:00 p.m. Fundraiser in Support of MennoHomes.** Roast beef dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by Rescue Junction in Concert. Dinner Tickets: Adults - \$30; Children 10 and under - \$10. The concert is open to all with a freewill offering. Floradale Mennonite Church will double the offering collection (up to \$5,000). See poster on bulletin board for ticket information. (Floradale Mennonite Church)

**Feb. 9-11 - Silver Lake Mennonite Camp Women's Retreat.** Relaxing in the new sauna, enjoying a massage, reading a book by the fire, snowshoeing or skiing through the woods, stargazing on a horse drawn sleigh ride and savouring exceptional food . . . those are just a few of things to look forward to at the Women's Retreat. Resource person is Tanya Dyck Steinmann. For more information and to register visit [www.slmc.ca/retreats](http://www.slmc.ca/retreats) or call 519-422-3200

**Feb. 19 - 10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Family Day Open House at Hidden Acres Camp.** Come for a fun and relaxing day with your family! Bring your own equipment for sledding and skating, enjoy roasting bannock around the campfire, warm up inside with pretzel-making, crafts, ping-pong, and much more! Some activities are weather dependent. Choose a hot lunch for \$3/person or bring a bagged lunch (peanut-free). RSVP to [info@hiddenacres.ca](mailto:info@hiddenacres.ca) or call 519-625-8602. Please let us know if you are bringing your own lunch or choosing the Hidden Acres lunch. See poster on bulletin board. (Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp)

**Notes**

**SJMC Emergency Contact Information:** SJMC has discontinued the church cell phone for emergency contact purposes. In the case of an emergency, please contact the pastors via their personal cell phones. Their numbers are listed on the back.

**Notes** (Continued)

**PIES Needed!** Homemade or purchased, for Sunday, January 21, 2018. Sign up today. See the sign-up sheet on the foyer table. We are all invited (adult, youth, children) downstairs following the service next Sunday to share a pie desert together in support of the ministry of PiE (Pastors in Exile). By donation. Please make cheques payable directly to Pastors in Exile.

**Note of Thanks and Call for Volunteers:** After many years of volunteering to fold the SJMC worship bulletins each week, Alice Brubacher and Marie Snider are retiring. I want to extend a special thank you to Alice and Marie for their faithful and dedicated volunteer service. If you would like to volunteer to fold the bulletins, please contact Karen Sauder in the church office (519-664-2268 or karen@sjmc.on.ca).

**Reading the Bible - A New Year's Invitation.** Are you interested in spending more time with scripture in 2018? Join others in a plan to read the whole Bible over the course of the year. Sign up on the foyer table, where you can also pick up a daily reading schedule. Talk to Ian VanderBurgh for more information.

**Supporting Maya Morton Ninomiya and Ashley Brubacher for Rockway Mennonite Collegiate Grade 11 France / Germany Exchange:** You are invited to help support this trip by buying a share(s) (\$30 each) from Ashley (bruway5@sympatico.ca) or Maya (mayamn124@gmail.com). The money will be equally distributed amongst all participants. Shares are eligible for a tax receipt.

**Church Directory Updates:** **Ken and Erma Baker**  
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**Annual SJMC Photo Permission:** Throughout the year our church photographers take photos of people at SJMC (all ages) for possible publication in places like "Life Together", the SJMC website, the annual meeting slide show, etc. If you do not want your picture published during this calendar year, please contact the church office.

**Silver Lake Mennonite Camp:** Registration opens February 1, 2018 for Summer 2018 with programming available for campers ages 6-16 years including Mini Camp, Teen Camp, Leadership Programs, Out-trips and much more. Space is limited so be sure to register early. Campership Funds (subsidies) are available. For more information, please visit www.sjmc.ca or contact the camp office fun@sjmc.ca or 519-422-1401.

**NEW UPDATE: SJMC SPICE OF LIFE VARIETY SHOW. . .**

**"Silly, Serious, Somewhere In-Between":** Sunday, February 11, 2018 (2:30 p.m.), followed by 'Savouries and Desserts' potluck. A fun Sunday afternoon together as a church-family - *Nothing more, but definitely nothing less!*

**VARIETY SHOW ACTS NEEDED:** Sign up your Act by Sunday, January 28 to allow planners lead time to coordinate the program. Looking for **ALL AGES** to participate with an "act", whether you're experienced or stretching your comfort zone: magic tricks, music, reading, skit... limitless ideas! If you are "shy", go for it! Give it a try!! Mark is!!!

**POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Sign-up by Sunday, January 28. No experience necessary. A great way to get to know others by getting involved for a short commitment. 1. **Food:** Receive/oversee food coordination, 2. **Drink:** Prep and Serve, or 3. **Tables/Chairs** set-up/take-down (and vacuum).

**NEW POTLUCK MENU:** **Savouries is added** to the desserts potluck selection with **simple items** e.g. sours, veggies/dip, cheese/crackers, cold meat, devilled eggs, etc. **No ovens or crock pots, please.** **A reminder:** There will be plenty of food to share, *so please do come and enjoy,* even if food prep isn't possible for you.

**EVENT DETAILS:** 2:30 p.m. - Arrive with potluck items. 2:45 p.m. - Variety Show begins. **\*\*\*Please, bring your own plate, utensils, mug.\*\*\*** **INVITATION:** Extend the hand of friendship and hospitality to others from SJMC and beyond.

**PLANNERS/QUESTIONS?:** Mark Cressman (professed "shy guy" magician), Pam Derksen, Marcia Shantz.

**\*\*\* In case of inclement weather: \*\*\***

In the case of severe winter weather conditions, church cancellation information will be broadcast on 570 NEWS and on 96.7 CHYM and will be listed on our church website (www.sjmc.on.ca).

NOTE: We have no control over the radio stations' timing to update their lists.

Always evaluate your own travel conditions before venturing out on a Sunday morning.

**SJMC Missions Corner Bulletin Board:** Check out the Missions corner in the lower foyer for local and global projects.

**See the bulletin board for information and posters of concerts happening in the community.**

**St. Jacobs Mennonite Church Photo Directory available from the church office.** Cost: \$20.00 each.

**Cookbooks available:** Copies of the St. Jacobs Community Cookbook are available from the church office. Cost: \$15.00.

**Volunteer / Employment Opportunities:** Check bulletin boards for Volunteer and Employment opportunities.

**St. Jacobs Mennonite Church**

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**Office Hours:** Tues., Wed., and Fri. - 9:00-noon; Thurs-9:00-4:00.

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**In the case of an emergency, please contact a pastor via their cell phone.**

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