

ERB STREET MENNONITE CHURCH
Sunday, February 22, 2026

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

One: We are entering the season of Lent.

All: We welcome mystery.

One: We feel the dissonance.

All: We carry grief.

One: We hold the tension between glory and uncertainty.

All: We come with doubt. We come with belief.

One: We welcome questions without answers.

All: We welcome grace from above.

One: We will bear witness to Christ's death and resurrection.

All: Welcome Jesus' encompassing love.

Ritual of Rending

Confession

Opening Prayer

Gathering Hymn *Could it be that God is Singing* **VT 42**

Story Circle

Coin Offering *Let the Children Come to Me* **VT 512**

Offertory Prayer*

Silent Prayer of Attention

Scripture Reading John/Yohana 11:32-44

Scripture Response *Christ, We Do All Adore Thee* **VT 138**

Sermon

Hymn of Response *Nothing is Lost on the Breath of God* **VT 653**

Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Hymn of Sending *There's a Wild Hope in the Wind* **VT 828**

Benediction

Postlude

*Coffee and visiting in the Fellowship Hall
followed by Christian Education for all ages.*

PARTICIPANTS

Worship Leader: Krista Steinmann

Accompanist: Therese Schattman

Song Leader: Karin Bileski

Story Circle: Rae Reid

Scripture Readers: Jo-Anne Matthies (English)

Patric Nshizirungu (Kinyarwanda)

Sermon: Chip Bender

Congregational Prayer: Henry Paetkau

Sound: Eric Wildfong

Tech Host: Akio Saito

Translator: Innocent Ruhumuriza

Ushers: Nancy Mann and Lena Santomero

Greeters: Fred Loganbill & Renee Sauder

Carol Lichti