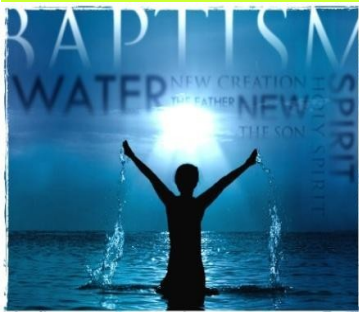


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# Yorks Corners Mennonite Church

July 2010

## Baptism By Water

On July 11 during the morning service, we will celebrate the baptism of believers who are taking this public step of identifying with Jesus Christ and the church. Baptism with water is a sign of cleansing from sin. Baptism is also a pledge before the church of covenant with God to walk in the way of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Baptism by water is a sign that a person has repented, received forgiveness, renounced evil, and died to sin, through the grace of God in Christ Jesus. Thus cleansed, believers are incorporated

into Christ's body on earth, the church. Baptism by water is also a pledge to serve Christ and to minister as a member of his body according to the gifts given to each one. Jesus himself requested water baptism at the beginning of his ministry and sent his followers to "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy

Spirit." Baptism is done in obedience to Jesus' command and as a public commitment to identify with Jesus Christ, not only in his baptism by water, but in his life in the Spirit and in his death in suffering love.

(adapted from Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective)



I delight greatly in the LORD; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness,  
— ISAIAH 61:10 NIV

## Vacation Bible School 2010

**VBS 2010**  
**August 9<sup>th</sup> through**  
**August 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:30-8:45 nightly**  
**Ages 3-adult**



This year Vacation Bible School is Gonna Rock! The theme is "Backstage with the Bible". Each night, kids are going to experience what it is like to go to a concert by worshipping and singing to

God with the Go Fish Guys. Kids will even get their own personal backstage passes to go backstage with the Bible!

The curriculum has two objectives:

1. To share the gospel of Jesus Christ.
2. To teach the importance of the Bible.

Biblical knowledge and Christian principles are reinforced in the "Backstage with the Bible" curriculum. By the end of the week, kids will learn about the Ten Commandments, memorize scripture verses, and know what it means to be saved by grace through faith.

Each day will start out with a concert and end with an encore with the Go Fish Guys.

As in years past, we will begin with an opening program then students will go "backstage" to learn concepts from the bible with their group leader.

We are in search of some enthusiastic volunteers! Please contact Julie Smoker, Kim Kopsaftis, or Rachel Smith if you are interested.

Remember... you need to be approved by the Safe Ministry in order to work with the children at VBS.