

*“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community”*

**Niagara United Mennonite Church**

November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community” expresses our desire to share our faith and love of Jesus Christ with all we meet. We welcome you and hope that your time with us will be enjoyable and enlightening. Families with children are invited to worship together with us in the service. For children under 3 years old or younger who are not able to sit through the church service, there is a nursery downstairs, or a glassed-in room behind the sanctuary where you may sit with your baby and still follow the service. If you feel a sense of belonging, you are most welcome to be with us. Talk to us about how you can participate.

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Our Lighthouse program, which is a time of fellowship and learning for those aged 3 years to Grade 8 is held each Sunday during the Worship Service. The children will be called to the front for the Children’s Moment and then released after that. Parents may pick up their children in the Education Wing at the end of the service.

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A special welcome to “Lifted Voices” who are here today to provide us with a special Worship Service program. Lifted Voices began in 1989 when a group of women was asked to sing a song in a worship service at First Mennonite Church, our home church in Kitchener, Ontario. Over the next year a few other requests for a group of female voices arose and the group evolved. The name Lifted Voices seemed appropriate to reflect our love and desire to lift our voices in praise. In 2006 we experienced a great loss with the passing of one of our altos, Joy Dorsch. Our most recent CD called “Sing for Joy” was a tribute to her. The other original members are still together. They are: Carolyn Burkhardt, Jennifer Jacobi, Nancy Mann, Wendy Priebe, Susan Pries and Peggy Roth. We have enjoyed singing for Worship Services, Christmas Banquets, Retirement/Seniors Homes, and at many other celebrations and events including anniversary, birthday and retirement parties.

## **Worship Service – 10:45 a.m.**

Prelude	Lifted Voices
Congregational Life	Erv Willms
Worship in Song	Lifted Voices
Children's Moment	Lifted Voices
Offering	
<i>Offering Focus – see financial section</i>	
Scripture Reading	Lifted Voices
(Psalm 1:1-2, 6-9)	
Benediction	Lifted Voices

Today's Nursery Volunteers: Graham & Emma Thwaites

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## **German Service — 9:50 a.m.**

Andachtsleiter: Hans Hermann Dau

Orgelspiel: Giesela Doerwald

Lied: GB #425 "Harre, meine Seele"

Grusswort: Psalm 39:4-7

Chorlied

Opfergaben

Lied: GB #293 "Ach mein Herr Jesu, wenn ich dich nicht hätte"

Chorlied

Schriftwort: Ruth 1:6-17

**Botschaft: "Niemals allein" Pastor Renate Dau Klaassen**

Lied: GB #419 "Ach, bleib mit deiner Gnade" (V. 1,2 u. 6)

*Die nächste deutsche Andacht findet, so Gott will, am 18.11. statt.*

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## ***CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES:***

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**Lighthouse:** Please see the link online through our church website on the Lighthouse Ministry page to access the weekly home devotional! Next Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup> we will continue with Session 7. We still have many missing registration forms, please pick one up at the Welcome Centre if you have not yet registered your children.

**Senior Youth Adopt-a-Family.** Ellery and Mark Rauwerda are excited to host the youth at their home this week! We'll be going shopping for Christmas gifts for youth in need in our own community this year. Pizza, snacks, and our quirky cat Mabel are all included in this experience. Bring \$20 or whatever you can contribute to help make a fellow youth's Christmas brighter! Meet at Ellery & Mark's place at 7:00PM. Rides going from NOTL too. Connect with Ellery to request one. Bring a friend and see you there!

**Junior Youth:** Save the date!!! November 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm, December 8<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00 pm. Both events here at NUMC. Friends welcome.

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## ***JOYS & CONCERNS:***

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**Our thoughts and prayers** are with the family and friends of Arno Bartel who passed away early Thursday morning, November 1<sup>st</sup>. Visitation will be here at the church on Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm and 6-8pm. Interment will take place at the Niagara Lakeshore Cemetary at 9:30 am on Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> and the Celebration of Life will follow at 11:00am. in the church sanctuary. May God's loving arms comfort and surround the family in their time of mourning this great loss.

**Please continue to pray for:** Audrey Epp, Susan Kaye, Hank Pauls, Irene Penner and David Steingart, as well as others who may need our prayers.

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## ***OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND:***

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**Radiant Care Tabor Manor:** will be holding a memorial service on **Thursday November 8 @ 7:00 PM.** We will be remembering the lives of residents and tenants who died between April 1, 2018 and October 20, 2018. Please feel free to join us for this service in the Radiant Care Tabor Manor "Great Room", in the long-term care home at 7 Tabor Drive.

**Radiant Care Pleasant Manor:** will be holding its fall memorial service on Tuesday, November 13 to honour those from our community who have died since April 1, 2018. Friends, families and those from our community are welcome. The service will take place in the Creekview Meeting Room (1 Pleasant Lane, Virgil) at 7:00 PM with light refreshments to follow the service.

**Bethany Mennonite Church Borscht Lunch & Bazaar** will be held on November 17<sup>th</sup> from 11:00-2:00. All are welcome!

**It's OPERETTA Time again** Bus trip to see DIE FLEDERMAUS in Toronto on Wednesday, January 2, 2019. Seats have been reserved. Please call Martha Bartel asap if you wish to go.

**Sat. Nov. 10th, 7:30 p.m. Chorus Niagara,** with the Avanti Singers and the Niagara Symphony will be performing Brahms' "Ein Deutsches Requiem", a glorious celebration of faith and hope in God's eternal promises. Tickets are available through the First Ontario Performing Arts Centre box office. See poster in the foyer for details.

**CHORALIS CAMERATA,** a 50 voice regional chamber choir under the direction of David Braun, will present "A Festival of Christmas Choral Treasures" featuring highlights from Bach's Christmas Oratorio. Dec. 1 - Knox Presbyterian Church, 53 Church St., St. Catharines - 7:30 pm Dec. 2 - Central United Church, 12 Young St., Welland - 2:30 afternoon. Tickets available by calling 905-646-9225 or at [www.choraliscamerata.com](http://www.choraliscamerata.com).

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## ***WITHIN NIAGARA UM CHURCH:***

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**MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) Ministry has resumed!** Through this ministry, we build circles of moms who love each other like family. Our gatherings are where moms can meet to share their hopes, fears and insights, in a format that works with their schedules, that doesn't neglect their faith nor their womanhood, their motherhood nor their purpose, their heart nor their mind. For anyone interested in joining this ministry, you are invited to join these gatherings on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month at 9:30 am. Please phone Erica Froese for more info.

**Inviting all Grade 7 and 8 girls!** There will be a Bible study offered on Wednesday nights here in our church taught by Ramona Neufeld. The first classes will be held on Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:15. Please call Mrs. Neufeld at home to confirm you would like to participate and then bring your Bible to the first evening. Come out and bring a friend!

**Adventsfeier:** The annual German "Adventsfeier" has been scheduled for **December 2nd**, in the afternoon (time 3:30pm). The German Choir will practicing for this event on **Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm**. All who enjoy singing traditional German carols & choral songs are welcome!

**Bulletin Folders & Scripture Readers:** We are the process of updating both the scripture reader and bulletin folder lists for 2019. Please contact the office if you are interested so that you may be included in the rotation. For those already on these lists, if you prefer to not be any longer, please contact the office.

**Prayer Meeting:** Spiritual Council thanks those who came out on Oct 21 to pray. It was a wonderful time where we prayed for our new pastors, our community and our church. We will be holding another prayer meeting on Sunday, Nov 18 from 7 to 8 p.m. in the sanctuary. This will be a focused prayer session for our families, our couples and our children.

**Newsletter:** This month's edition of Life With Us will be published somewhat later than usual because of technical difficulties.

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## ***FINANCIALS:***

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<b>Offering of October 14<sup>th</sup>: \$9,754.30</b>			
Budget	\$7,214.30	Christian Witness	\$310.00
Ontario Relief Sale	\$1,000.00	MCC Food	\$80.00
Mennonite Cntr Ukraine	\$120.00	MCC	\$1,030.00
<b>Offering of October 28<sup>th</sup>: \$9,179.15</b>			
Budget	\$8,619.15	Christian Witness	\$40.00
		MCC Food	\$180.00
		MCC	\$340.00

*\*\*\* Please note that the financials are not handled in the office and are being done by a volunteer, as such we ask for your understanding in times of delay \*\*\**

**Offering Focus** – Our weekly budget requirement is \$7,654. In addition to your budget commitment, this month we encourage your support of MCC. Donations can be directed to their overall operations (where most are needed), or you can specify specific projects such as food for the hungry, school or other relief kits, Generations at Risk (HIV/AIDS) or disaster relief. Please mark your envelope accordingly. Any church donations not allocated to a specific cause will be directed to our budget.

**Audio for our sermons is available online at  
[www.redbrickchurch.ca](http://www.redbrickchurch.ca)**

**Filming Privacy Notice**

Our sermons are recorded for closed circuit broadcast to Radiant Care Pleasant Manor. The recording captures the stage & up to the front third of the pews in the picture that is recorded. We encourage all ages to sit in the front pews of the sanctuary. Thanks for your support!



**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE (November 5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>)**

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>8:00 am</b> Ladies Baking
	<b>7:00 pm</b> Ladies Bible Study
	<b>7:00 pm</b> Male Chorus Practice
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>9:00 am</b> Women in Service
	9:30 am MOPS
	<b>7:00 pm</b> Church Council Meeting
	<b>7:00 pm</b> German Advent Choir
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b> 7/8 Girls Bible Study
	<b>7:00 pm</b> Worship Committee Meeting
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b> Praise & Worship practice
	<b>7:30 pm</b> Candlelight Practice @ Bethany
	<b>8:00 pm</b> Al-Anon Meeting
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>7:00pm</b> Youth @ the Rauwerda House
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>9:00 am</b> Candlelight Workshop @ NUMC

**Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day**

<b>9:45 am</b>	Choir Practice
<b>10:45 am</b>	Worship Service – Message by John Tiessen

Next week's Nursery volunteers: Anita Sawatzky & Kendra Sawatzky  
*For a complete listing of Church events,  
Please see our online calendar on our website:  
[www.redbrickchurch.ca](http://www.redbrickchurch.ca)*

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**Office Hours:**

The office is open weekdays from 9 am-3pm.

Pastor Waldo Pauls is in the office Tuesday & Wednesday mornings.

Pastor Renate Dau Klaassen is in the office Thursday & Friday mornings.

Please contact the Pastors directly to book an appointment to see them.