

“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community”

Niagara United Mennonite Church

January 15th, 2017

Worship Service – 11:00 a.m.

Gathering

Kathy Rempel

Call to Worship

Steve Cox

Worship in Song

Choir

“The Love of God” HWB #44

“Fill my cup Lord”

“Come O Spirit Come” StS #104

Congregational Life & Announcements

Steve Cox

Receiving New Member: Erik Metsa

Offering Focus- Christian Witness

“I Long for your commandments” HWB #543

Proclamation

Children’s Moment

Katrina Metsa

“The heavens are telling”

Scripture: Psalm 19 pew Bible p. 536

John Rempel

“The Question of God”

Pastor David Lewis

Sending

“Teach me thy truth” HWB #548

Benediction

Pastor David Lewis

Today’s Nursery Volunteers: Jolien Koole & Laurene Nickel

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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 5 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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German Worship Service -10:00 am

Andachtsleiter: Gunnar Doerwald - Grusswort: Psalm 90:1-2

Orgelspiel: Kathy Rempel

Chorlied

Opfergaben Fokus: Christian Witness

Lied: GB #1 "Gott ist gegenwaertig"

Chorlied

Schriftwort: 2.Mose 33:17-23

Botschaft: "Gott ist Gnaedig" – Hans H. Dau

Lied: GB #340 " Bei dir Jesu will ich bleiben"

JOYS & CONCERNS:

We lift up John & Anne Thiessen after the passing of Ilse Thiessen, who passed away on January 1st. Her funeral was held at St. Catharines United Mennonite Church on January 6th. May the prayers and support of this faith community be a strength to the family as they mourn this loss.

WITHIN NIAGARA UM CHURCH:

All seniors are invited to our Seniors’ Time Out Tea this afternoon at 3:30 pm here in the church auditorium. This is open to all seniors- hope you can join!

Pastor Stephen Cox is taking a family vacation to Florida from January 17-24th. May their time away be one of excitement and restoration!

Transitional Work Group Summary - Please pick up the report at the Welcome Centre which summarizes the first Transitional Work Group session that was held in November. This update is designed for the congregation to be informed and included in the progression of this group.

The Junior Youth are having their annual Spaghetti Lunch on January 29th at noon in the church auditorium. They invite everyone to come out to eat together.

Annual Report Submissions All councils, committees, groups, and ministries are invited to submit a report to be included in our church Annual Report. Please kindly begin preparing these reports for submission. The deadline this year is **January 31st**, though please feel welcome to submit ahead of the deadline, as some of you already have begun to do. Thank-you to those of you who have already submitted your reports! If you have questions or require further information, please contact April.

Have you been baptized? Beginning **February 5th**, baptism classes will be held on Sunday mornings at **10:00 am** in the boardroom. These classes will focus on what it means to be a disciple of Jesus, and to prepare for baptism. The class is open to anyone who has made a commitment to follow Jesus, or who wishes to do so, and who wants to take the next step of obedience to Christ in baptism. If you are interested please call April in the church office at 905-468-3313 or email her at office@redbrickchurch.ca.

Offering of January 8th: \$4,947.00			
Budget	\$4,187.00	MCC General	\$470.00
Christian Witness	\$290.00		
Attendance January 8th: Worship Service - 184			

Offering Focus – Our weekly budget requirement is \$8,260. In addition to your budget commitment, this month we encourage your support of Christian Witness. These contributions go to Mennonite Eastern Canada (MCEC) where they are further allocated to support missionaries (including our Mission Partners the Dirks), education, leadership training, church planting, as well as administrative support and benefits. They count on our support. Any church donations not allocated to a specific cause will be directed to our budget.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE (January 16th – January 22nd)

- Monday:** 7:00 pm Women’s Bible Study
- Tuesday:** 9:00 am Women in Service
7:00 pm Auditing Committee Meeting
- Wednesday:** 6:30 pm Pioneer Club
- Thursday:** 7:00 pm Sponsorship & Settlement Committee Meeting
- Friday:** 7:30 pm Youth
- Saturday:** 9:00 am Pre-Marriage Workshop

Next Sunday, January 22nd

- 8:45 am** Praise & Worship Practice
- 9:45 am** Lighthouse Kids Ministry
- 10:00 am** Youth
- 10:00 am** Choir Practice
- 11:00 am** Worship Service – Message from Pastor David Lewis

Next week’s Nursery volunteers: Becky & Julia Bartel

For a complete listing of church events, please see our online calendar on our church website.

Our Current Sermon Series.... The God You Need to Know

There is an undeniable urge within us to experience God. Whether this translates into a negative or positive experience has a lot to do with how we view God and what our understanding is about our ability to know him. For these 5 weeks Pastor Dave will be exploring the compelling nature of the God you need to know.

- January 15th “The Question of God” Psalm 19
- January 22nd “The God Who is There” Psalm 139:7-12
- January 29th “The God who knows all... and still loves us” Psalm 139:1-6; 23, 24
- February 5th “Praying Jesus’ Way” Matthew 6:7-13
- February 12th “The God who is always right” Psalm 119:137-144
- February 19th “Growing WISE in family Matters” James 3:13-18
Family Day Sermon
- February 26th “The God who amazes us with His grace” Matthew 20:1-16

OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND:

“The Armor of God” Ladies Bible Study @ Orchard Park Bible Church Meet Tuesday mornings from Jan 24-Mar 7th @ 9:15am in the Fireside Room. Registration deadline is January 16th. Cost is \$18.50 for the book. Further details available on the poster, which is posted on our Community Bulletin Board.

Live Streaming Privacy Notice – Our church services are live streamed over the internet, capturing the stage and up to the front half of the church in the picture that is transmitted. We encourage all ages to sit towards the front of the church to showcase our lively and active congregation! Thanks for your support.

NUMC Services & Sermons are available online.

Individual Sermons or Sermon Series are available for purchase, formatted on CD or DVD. Please place your order through the church office.