

“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community”

Niagara United Mennonite Church

February 26th, 2017

Worship Service – 11:00 a.m.

Gathering

Marlene Borzychowski

Call to Worship

John Tiessen

Worship in Song

Praise & Worship

“Not to us”

“Awesome God”

“King of Heaven”

Congregational Life & Announcements

John Tiessen

Offering Focus- MCC

“Not by might”

Proclamation

Children’s Moment

Jon Bradnam

“Ancient words”

Scripture: Matthew 20:1-16, pew Bible p. 954

Nicole Tissen

“The God who amazes us with His grace”

Pastor David Lewis

Sending

“Amazing Grace”

Benediction

Pastor David Lewis

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Today’s Nursery Volunteers: Janice Janzen and Emily Dube  
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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: Joachim Dau - Grusswort: Offenbarung 4:11**

Orgelspiel: Giesela Doerwald

Chorlied

**Opfergaben Fokus: MCC**

Lied: GB #15 "O das ich tausend Zungen hätte" all Verse

Chorlied

**Schriftwort: Jeremia 31:35, Römer11:33+34, Psalm 90:10-12**

**Botschaft: "Gottes unerschöpfliche Ordnungen" – Hans J. Wiens**

Lied: GB #25 "Ich rühme Gottes Wundermacht"

## **JOYS & CONCERNS:**

**We wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to the Schmidt Family.** Eckhard's and the late Harald's brother Siegmar, age 73, in Uruguay, was called to his eternal home on Feb. 15,2017. May the Lord comfort you and grant you strength.

## **WITHIN NIAGARA UM CHURCH:**

**Ladies Breakfast** All ladies are welcome to the monthly breakfast held the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month. Our next gathering is this **Thursday March 2<sup>nd</sup>**. If you would like to be added to the email/phone reminder list please contact Linda Friesen

**Baked goods needed!** We are hosting the World Day of Prayer on **Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** and are asking the congregation to please provide baked goods for the tea time that will follow this afternoon service. Please contact Laurene Nickel or Sue Fast if you are able to provide baking. Thanks!

**Donation Tax Receipts are available** in your church mailboxes. If you do not have a church mailbox, then your receipt has been mailed out to your home address.

**Our 2016 Annual Report & Committee Directory are available.** Please obtain your copy in the upper foyer. Today is the last day these will be available in the foyer, then they will be available from the church office.

**Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> Worship services are available on DVD!** Due to the various issues we were experiencing two weeks ago with our internet, phone and cable connections, the worship services were not available for viewing by our congregation members who were away, at Pleasant Manor, or unable to attend to due inclement weather conditions. We have decided to make these services available at no charge to anyone interested in viewing them by way of borrowing the DVD copies that the office has made. Please contact the office to sign out a copy. As usual, if you would like to purchase a copy to keep, you may do so for a charge of \$5.

**Have you been baptized?** Baptism classes are being held on Sunday mornings at **10:00 am** in the boardroom. These classes 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](mailto:office@redbrickchurch.ca).

## **MENNONITE CHURCH EASTERN CANADA:**

**MCEC has made available lawn signs that welcome new Canadians.** As Christians, we are called to speak out against any form of violence & especially those that are motivated by religious discrimination and lead to the tragic loss of life. In 3 languages, the sign reads, "No matter where you are from, we are glad you're our neighbour." These signs are available for purchase in our Welcome Centre for \$10 each (which includes the "H stake" for your lawn), and through the rest of the week in the office, while quantities last.

## **MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA:**

**Save the date: Special Assembly scheduled for October 13-15** The General Board of Mennonite Church Canada has set the date for a final review of Future Directions proposals to re-organize national and area church bodies. Mennonite Church Canada delegates are invited to a special assembly Oct. 13-15 in Winnipeg, Man. The event will begin with a dinner on Friday and conclude with worship on Sunday. The venue, costs, and other details are pending.



**Office Hours Adjustment-** Our Office Administrator April Michon was recently involved in an automobile accident and her doctor recommends that she work reduced hours for a few months to help recover from her injuries. The weekly office hours are being printed each week in the bulletin during this time, and are included below:

**Office Hours This Week:**

Monday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Tuesday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Wednesday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Thursday: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon  
Friday: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

**Please note that during the reduced office hours** the announcements will no longer be displayed on Power Point prior to the Worship service. Please read them in the bulletin or online.

**Please note that the weekly bulletin is now being printed on Thursday mornings.** All submissions for the bulletin need to be received in the office no later than Wednesdays at 12:00 noon. Thanks for your cooperation in working within this timeline.

**FOR OUR CHILDREN:**

**KIDS NEWS:** Are you excited about Super Heroes?! Who is your favourite one? Come to Praise and Worship **next Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>** and learn about the Super Heroes of the Bible!

**Please Note:** During the March Break from school, Lighthouse is taking a break as well. Therefore, there will be no Children's Ministry offered on the Sundays of March 12<sup>th</sup> or March 19<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy the break from school & the extra time with your families, and we will see you back at Lighthouse on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>!

**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.

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE (February 26<sup>th</sup> – March 5<sup>th</sup>)**

**Monday:** 7:00 pm Women’s Bible Study  
 7:30 pm Niagara Community Male Chorus Practice  
**Tuesday:** 9:00 am Women in Service  
 7:00 pm Spiritual Council Meeting  
**Wednesday:** 6:30 pm Pioneer Club  
**Thursday:** 7:00 pm Education Committee Meeting  
**Friday:** 1:30 pm World Day of Prayer Service & Tea Reception  
 7:30 pm Youth

**Next Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am Praise & Worship Practice  
 9:45 am Lighthouse Kids Ministry  
 9:50 am Choir Practice  
 10:00 am Baptism Class  
 11:00 am Worship Service – Message from Pastor Stephen Cox

Next week’s Nursery volunteers: Eugene & Anna Kradko

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

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| <b>Offering of February 19<sup>th</sup>: \$4,734.00</b>           |            |             |          |
| Budget                                                            | \$3,262.00 | MCC General | \$932.00 |
| Christian Witness                                                 | \$170.00   | MCC Food    | \$320.00 |
| Library                                                           | \$50.00    |             |          |
| <b>Attendance February 19<sup>th</sup>: Worship Service – 202</b> |            |             |          |

**Offering Focus** – Our weekly budget requirement is \$8,260. 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.

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# World Day of Prayer 2017

## "Am I Being Unfair To You?"

*Written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of  
The Philippines*

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together on the first Friday of March each year to observe a common day of prayer. Through World Day of Prayer, we affirm our faith in Jesus Christ and engage with the whole world, are enriched by the faith experience of Christians of other countries and cultures, share the burdens of other people by praying with them and for them, and use our own talents in the service of God's world. Prayer and action are inseparable and both have immeasurable influence in the world.

**We will join our neighbours in celebrating World Day of Prayer at:**

Niagara United Mennonite Church  
(location)  
Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1:30 pm  
(date and time)

*More information about our community's service is available from:*

Sue Fast 905-468-7046

*Please join us!*

All are Welcome  
Men · Women · Children

The World Day of Prayer is coordinated by the  
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