

“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community”

Niagara United Mennonite Church

October 28th, 2018



“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.

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.



JOYS & CONCERNS:



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.

Worship Service – 10:45 a.m.

Prelude	Praise & Worship
Worship in Song	Praise & Worship
Congregational Life	Janice Janzen
Children’s Moment	Jon Bradnam
Offering	

Offering Focus – see financial section

Scripture Reading	Bill Harder
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(2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12)

“Anabaptism Revisited?” Pastor Waldo Pauls

Benediction

Today’s Nursery Volunteers: Andrew & Kristina Nickel

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES:

Lighthouse: Please see the link online through our church website on the Lighthouse Ministry page to access the weekly home devotional! Next Sunday, November 4th we will continue with Session 6. 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: 7:00 on Friday, November 2nd - we’ll be here! Bring a friend and see you there!

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

OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND:

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.

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 at 905-468-7029 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.

FROM THE OFFICE:

Church Doors: There is a misconception that if you call Emily she can open the church doors from home. Many years ago, we had this technology. When we lost the fax phone line, we lost this ability. So, if the doors need to be opened or locked at particular times, prior notice must be given to the office during working hours.

Office Administrator: Church Council would like to inform members that Emily Fieguth is the interim office administrator until January 31, 2019. Church Council intends to advertise for the position in November and hire a full-time staff person starting in February 2019. Please contact Peter Janzen Church Council Chair if you have any questions.

WITHIN NIAGARA UM CHURCH:

Attention all Ladies! Please join us for our Ladies Breakfast this week, being held on **Thursday November 1st at 9 a.m.** at the Husky Stop Restaurant, 615 York Road, NOTL. Join together for fellowship over food. All women are welcome. If you wish to be included on the email reminders, please contact Linda Friesen.

Thanksgiving Display Perishable Items: The large pumpkins inside and outside, small pie pumpkins found on the windowsills and in front of the pulpit and apples in the baskets in front of the pulpit can all be taken home following today's service. We ask that you please donate to MCC for items you take home. The hummingbird nest has been found and an alternate prize chosen. The driftwood coat rack with antique railway spikes can also be claimed for a donation to MCC. Donations can be given at the Welcome Desk this Sunday.

Food Donations: If you would like to share items with your community by donating to our food pantry, please place these gifts in the bins provided in the foyer on during the month of October.

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 1st and 3rd 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 (905-468-1847) to confirm you would like to participate and then bring your Bible to the first evening. Come out and bring a friend!

Candlelight Rehearsals have begun! Our rehearsals for the candlelight services (combined with Bethany on **December 15 and 16**) will be **Thursday, November 1st at Bethany.** We'll meet at **7:30pm.** We are looking forward to another great season of singing! An email blast with dates was sent out this week, copies of the email are in the choir room.

Adventsfeier: The annual German "Adventsfeier" has been scheduled for **December 2nd**, in the afternoon (time TBD). 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!

Let's sing together! The fall Niagara Area Mennonite Hymn Sing will take place **today at NUMC at 3:00 pm**. We will sing hymns and songs from our faith heritage as well as feature the singing of choral groups. Refreshments will follow the hour of music making. All are welcome! ... bring a friend!

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.

Welcome Centre Hosts: We are in urgent need of volunteers to help out at the Welcome Centre. Please contact the office if you are interested so that you may be included in the rotation.

Upper Room November and December issue are in your mailboxes.

New Hymnal? - A Music Committee Update: Did you know that our blue hymnal is over 25 years old? MennoMedia is developing a new hymnal to replace our blue books with an anticipated release of 2020. As of right now, our music team is curious and waiting to learn more about this new resource. In October of last year, we received a sampler from the new hymnal and sang some of these new songs in our service, aptly titled "The Great Day of Singing" as Mennonites across Canada and the USA sang the same songs from the new hymnal. We anticipate receiving more samplers over the next few years, as the project nears completion. In the meantime, if you would like to learn more or make a donation to the project, please visit voicestogetherhymnal.org

Card Ministry: A large box of assorted greeting cards are available in the mailbox area. Should you feel moved to give a card to someone, there are some readily available. This is a wonderful way for us all to take a moment to minister to one another.

FINANCIALS:

Offering of October 21st: \$6773.00			
Budget	\$5,571.00	Christian Witness	\$110.00
Youth Group	\$62.00	MCC Food	\$370.00
Capital Fund	\$75.00	MCC-school kits	\$100.00
Library	\$100.00	MCC	\$385.00

**** 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.

NUMC sermons are available online.

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

Online Filming Privacy Notice

Our sermons are recorded for streaming over the internet, capturing 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 (October 29th to November 3rd)

Monday: **7:00 pm** Ladies Bible Study
 7:00 pm Male Chorus Practice
 7:00 pm Search Committee
Tuesday: **9:00 am** Women in Service
 7:00 pm German Advent Choir
Wednesday: **7:00 pm** 7/8 Girls Bible Study
Thursday: **9:00 am** Ladies Breakfast
 7:00 pm Praise & Worship practice
 7:30 pm Candlelight Practice @ Bethany
 8:00 pm Al-Anon Meeting
Friday: **7:00pm** Youth

Sunday, November 4th – Daylight Savings

9:15 am German Choir Practice
9:45 am Choir Practice
9:50 am German Worship Service- Renate Dau Klaassen
10:45 am Worship Service – Message by Waldo Pauls with Special
 Music by Lifted Voices

Next week's Nursery volunteers: Graham & Emma Thwaites
*For a complete listing of Church events,
Please see our online calendar on our website:
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.