

“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community”

Niagara United Mennonite Church

February 3, 2019

Candidating Weekend

“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. We hope you feel at home with us and we would be happy to share ways that you can participate more fully with us.

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 AND CONCERNS:

Diane Bussey, mother of Jennifer Hinz (mother-in-law of Herbert Hinz, Grandmother of Kaitlin and Ella) passed away on Wednesday, January 30 after a long struggle with multiple illnesses. Diane is finally at peace in the company of her Lord and Saviour. Her strong faith and love for family and friends sustained her until the end of her earthly life. A funeral service was held at the Church of the Ascension in Hamilton on February 2. The family thanks you for thoughts and prayers.

Please continue to pray for: Hans Ulrich Fieguth, Hertha Neumann, Susan Kaye, Hank Pauls and David Steingart, as well as others who may need our prayers.

The flowers at the front of the Sanctuary are in memory of Audrey Jean Epp who’s memorial service was held here on January 28, 2019.

Congratulations to Matt Wiens & Alex Baergen, daughter of Ron & Kim Baergen, who were married in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic on January 22, 2019. May God bless the happy couple on their journey as husband and wife.

Worship Service – 10:45 a.m.

Prelude	Rachael Peters
Congregational Life	Linda Friesen
Worship in Song	Choir
Children's Moment	Pastor Daniel Janzen & Family
Offering	

Offering Focus – see financial section

Scripture Reading	Ron Riediger
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(1 Corinthians 12:1-11)

Message	"Are you Spiritual?"	Pastor Daniel Janzen
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Benediction	Pastor Daniel Janzen
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Today's Nursery Volunteers: Janice Janzen & Julia Bartel

German Service — 9:50 a.m.

Andachtsleiter: Pastor Renate Dau Klaassen

Orgelspiel:

Lied: GB #159 "O wie freu'n wir uns der Stunde"

Grusswort: 1. Korinther 1:18

Chorlied

Opfergaben

Lied: GB #298 "Ich habe nun den Grund gefunden"

Chorlied

Schriftwort: Matthäus 21:23-32

Botschaft: "Unentschlossen" — Hans Hermann Dau

Lied: GB #161 "Segne und behüte"

Die nächste deutsche Andacht findet am 24. 2. statt.

Life in the foyer: Lots of good things happen here -- come early! Meet & greet each other; read the bulletin boards; check your mail box; get info at the welcome desk; receive a bulletin. ***When the ushers flash the lights at 10:45***, you'll know the service is beginning -- let's worship!

Today we warmly welcome our pastoral candidate Pastor Daniel Janzen and his wife Ana, and their two sons Elijah and Leopold, to our worship service. Travelling in from Carrot River, Saskatchewan on Friday morning, they have been kept busy with the various meetings and events of the candidating weekend. We look forward to Pastor Daniel's message this morning, to visiting with him and his family at the potluck, and to God's clear direction in our mutual discernment process. May God's purpose and blessing shine down upon us all.



Potluck Lunch: Everyone is heartily invited to the Potluck Lunch with Daniel and family immediately following the service. Any main dishes, desserts or salads yet to come, should be brought to the kitchen before the service. Table grace will be said once we are all assembled in the auditorium, along with instructions from the Serving Committee.

Take Home Questions:

1. What do your practices, habits, activities say about your spirituality? What would you like them to say?

2. What do you do naturally that brings you joy? How are you using your gifts for the kingdom of God?

3. "Christian spirituality is personal devotion to Christ, while Christian religion is corporate devotion to Christ."

How does good Christian spirituality drive one towards good Christian religion and how does good Christian religion drive one towards good Christian spirituality?

Annual Membership Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, February 5th at 7:00 pm

1. Welcome & Opening Devotion
2. Acceptance of Agenda
3. Appointment of Tellers Committee
4. Review & Acceptance of past minutes
5. Committee Reports
6. Financial Statements
7. 2019 Budget
8. Election of Committee Members
9. Election of Delegates for MCEC annual conference
Deepening Our Relationship With God April 26 & 27, 2019
Steinmann Mennonite Church, Baden, ON
10. Update from Restructuring Committee
11. Search Committee presentation of Lead Pastor candidate
and vote
12. Other Business: Niagara Life Center, Westview Christian
Fellowship support, Springfest and New Hamburg relief sale
13. Close

Any items which members wish to introduce as Other Business may be considered, provided Church Council has received written notice one week prior to the date of the meeting. These notices can be delivered to the church office.

Advance Voting must be done in person only, there is no proxy voting.

The voting can be done at the Church Office as follows:

Sunday February 3rd 1:15 pm – 2:15 pm

Monday February 4th 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Tuesday February 5th 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

WITHIN NIAGARA UM CHURCH:

Catechism classes – To all those who are interested in exploring their faith with the possible goal of baptism, we will be starting catechism classes **today Sunday, 9:30 a.m.** in the Board room on the second floor of the education wing. If you have any questions about this class, please call John Tiessen at ***.***.**** or send an email to ****.com

Senior Youth Cook-Off: Nacho Battle! “Nacho” average Nachos! We’re bringing the cook-off back, and featuring nachos - any base, any toppings... anything goes! Winners get first swing at the pinata in this Mexican-themed event! Some basic ingredients provided. Bring your own to up your game! Friday, February 8th. 7PM at NUMC. Bring a friend and see you there!

Request for Baked Goods - The Senior Youth will be joining other local churches for our annual winter retreat from February 15-17. We are looking for baked goods to bring along to satisfy the sugar cravings of approximately 40 teens, and we need your help! If you are able to provide some treats for us to bring along, we would be ever so grateful! Baked goods must be peanut free and must be freezable. Sign up in the foyer & contact Ellery to coordinate pick-up/drop-off by **Tuesday, February 12.** ellery@redbrickchurch.ca. Thank-you so much!!

Employment Opportunity We are still actively searching for a custodian for our church. This position is 35 hours a week, and ideally could be a shared job between two individuals or a couple. If you are interested or know someone who might be interested, please contact the church office or email your resume to Peter Janzen, Church Council Chair at janzen@cogeco.net.

Ladies Breakfast: All ladies are invited to join together at the Husky Restaurant this coming **Thursday morning, February 7th at 9:00 am** for fellowship over breakfast. All ladies are welcome!

February calendars are available at the Welcome Centre.

Membership Meeting Documents Copies of the Annual Report and prior membership meetings minutes to be reviewed and accepted and the elections sheet are available in the foyer. Would you prefer a digital copy instead of printed? Please contact the office.

Did you smell the coffee in the foyer this morning!? ...Well, neither did we. Not yet, at least. We've changed up our sign-up sheet so that you'll be signing for a specific date, rather than a generic sign up form. We've had a few volunteers sign up already (thank you!!) but it's not quite enough to maintain a sustainable program. We encourage you to take a peek at the mock coffee station in the foyer and consider taking just one date. Easy peasy! Touch base with Rachael for more information...

John & Kathy Rempel phone number update. They no longer have a land line, instead they will use their existing cell phones.

Office Hours In February Emily will experiment with working some Tuesday evenings. The hope is that she can be here when committees and groups are meeting to facilitate better communication between the committees, groups and the office. Emily changes her regular hours on the first Thursday of each month to attend the ladies' breakfast. For the coming week the office will be covered as follows:

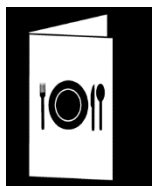
Monday Feb. 4	9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Tuesday Feb. 5	9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Wednesday Feb. 6	9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Thursday Feb. 7	11:00 am – 5:00 pm
Friday Feb. 8	9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Audio for our sermons is available online at

www.redbrickchurch.ca

Filming Privacy Notice

Our services are sent via closed circuit Television to Radiant Care Pleasant Manor. This captures the stage & up to the front third of the pews in the picture that is transmitted. We encourage all ages to sit in the front pews of the sanctuary. Thanks for your support!



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| ★ كنافة | ★ كبة مقلية |
| ★ قطايف | ★ شاورما |
| ★ بسبوسة | ★ بابا غنوج |
| ★ رز بالحليب | ★ مجدرة رز |
| ★ قهوي | ★ كواج |
| ★ شاي | ★ تبولة |
| | ★ لبن عيران |

A taste of Syria - Treat a friend, treat a neighbour, treat your spouse, or treat yourself to this delicious dinner! Saturday February 16th at 6:30pm in the gym. Iman shares her passion for food with authentic Syrian dishes. Word of her talent has been spreading, now you can taste and see for yourself! Registration is required by Sunday February 10th and only limited tickets are available! Register at the welcome centre on Sundays, or call Siggy at ***-****. Tickets are \$30 each and all proceeds will be donated to the Missions Fund.

Meal of the Month 2019

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A TASTE OF SYRIA

Saturday February 16

Treat a friend, neighbour, spouse, or yourself! Iman shares her passion and incredible cooking talent in her truly authentic Syrian dishes. Tickets are limited! Register by Sunday February 10th to secure your spot.

Proceeds will support the Missions Fund / 6:30pm / Church Gym / Cost: \$30

Jr. Youth Spaghetti Lunch

Sunday March 10

Not your average pasta! Homemade meatballs & delicious desserts make this a spaghetti lunch to remember! This fundraiser supports NUMC's Junior Youth group, who gather monthly to grow in relationship with each other and with God.

12:00pm / Church Gym / Cost: by donation

Sr. Youth Soup Lunch

Sunday April 7

"Buy soup. Create jobs. Simple." This Senior Youth led lunch features soups by MCC's newest partner, The Raw Carrot. This social franchise gives a hand up to those with disabilities & mental illness. Proceeds support NUMC's Senior Youth.

12:00pm / Church Gym / Cost: by donation. Extra soup available for purchase.

It's a May Surprise!

Date TBD

You didn't think we'd give all the excitement away at once did you? Stay tuned...

Church Picnic

Sunday June 2

A beloved annual tradition that brings our community together for worship, food and fellowship. A potluck-style event, with games and sports for all the kids & kids-at-heart! Just follow the crowds of lawn chairs and picnic coolers!

Time: TBD / Virgil Sports Park / Cost: free!

Stay up to date on all events by visiting us online!

IN OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND:

Office Administrator Job Posting St. Catharines United Mennonite Church is looking for a part time office administrator to begin in May 2019. Interested applicants should apply by no later than February 19, 2019. Only those who will be interviewed will receive a call back. For further information and job description visit our website at www.scumc.ca or contact Kevin Ens at 905-397-4865.

Food Pantry For 2019 we will rotate our donations between Newark Neighbours and Westview Christian Fellowship. For January we have focused on the needs of **Newark Neighbours**. They were in need toiletries (shampoos, tooth paste, soap), paper products (Kleenex, toilet paper) and cleaning supplies (paper towel, window cleaner, multipurpose cleaner). For February our focus will be **Westview Christian Fellowship**. Currently, they are in need of pantry items, hygiene items, bus tickets and cleaning products.

We have two bins set up in the foyer to collect donations. Beige is for food items, blue is for toiletries and cleaning products.

A supply of pantry items is kept in our church pantry room for anyone who is experiencing a time of need. Of late we have not had people from the community, but we never know when a need may arise. The church office has a **“Practical Assistance”** program that is in place for any requests from within our church or from those in our community.

The pantry has an open-door policy, if you need assistance please help yourself. We want to respect the privacy of our members and friends and will never ask who is using the pantry.

Please remember items donated must not have expired and be in new condition for them to be donated. In the past month a garbage bag of food items had to be disposed of, as they were past their expiry dates. Food banks are not allowed to give out food items that are past their printed expiry dates.

We have received lovely thank you notes, which are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. Both organizations are thankful for the support they receive from NUMC each month.

Introducing... our brand new "e-news" initiative!

Do you want to receive an email from the church if Sunday morning programming is cancelled due to inclement weather?

Would you like to be notified via email about upcoming membership meetings?

What about funerals? Would you like to be informed when a funeral choir is being called?

When candlelight rehearsals are starting?

When the Sunday morning choir is practicing?

Would you love to receive exciting updates on church events and happenings?

When you sign up to our *new* online news, you can choose what to receive notifications about, based on your interests!

Sign up today at:

redbrickchurch.ca/contact/e-news

If you are interested, but uncomfortable signing up on your own, stay tuned for more information in the near future about getting help from a 'techie' to sign up on Sunday morning after the service.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE (Feb.4 - 10, 2019)

Monday: 7:00 pm Ladies Bible Study
7:30 pm Male Chorus Practice
Tuesday: 9:00 am Women in Service
Wednesday: 7:00 pm grade 7/8 girl's bible study
Thursday: 7:00 pm Praise & Worship Practice
8:00 pm Al-Anon
Friday: 7:00 pm Youth – cook off

Sunday, February 10th

9:30 am Baptism Classes - Boardroom
10:45 am Worship Service – Message by Waldo Pauls
Nursery volunteers: Anna & Vanessa Kradko

*For a complete listing of Church events, please see our online calendar
on our website: www.redbrickchurch.ca*

Church Contacts:

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Office Hours:

The office is open weekdays from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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.