

KINGDOMS

21-03-14

Worship Service

Welcome

Chris Hutton

Community Connection

Music Corner

Children's Moment

Ellery Rauwerda

Scripture Verse:

Matthew 4:1-11

Message:

Daniel Janzen

"Testing Fidelity"



Lent

What is it?

Shortly said, the purpose of Lent is to prepare us for Easter, which through the centuries has included: prayer, doing penance, repentance of sins, almsgiving, and self-denial.

Today, Lent is often associated with giving something up or fasting from something (self-denial) – “What are you fasting from this Lenten season?” or “What are you giving up for Lent?”

So when does it begin?

The Lenten fast begins on Ash Wednesday, the day after Shrove Tuesday - the day of packed ourselves full of pancakes to hold us over until Easter, the end of Lent. While Lent is a “newer” practice in many Mennonite Churches, it is an ancient Christian practice that is believed to date back the 4th Century. Lent is about 40 days.

Why 40 days?

To commemorate the 40 days Jesus fasted in the wilderness.

This year for Lent, we are going to begin by entering into the wilderness with Jesus where he was tested (Matt 4:1-11), before venturing with him on his last journey to Jerusalem for his final test.

Stewardship During Lent

Throughout Lent we will focus on the various ministry programs Westview Centre 4 Women offers. Complete details can be found in the bulletin in the 'Westview Centre 4 Women' section. Collection bins have been set up at the church. If you have any questions, contact Emily at office@redbrickchurch.ca or 905-468-3313



Westview Centre 4 Women

124 Queenston Street, St Catharines 905-687-4848
www.westviewc4w.com

Throughout Lent we will focus on the various ministry programs Westview Centre 4 Women offers. Each week the bulletin will focus on an area of ministry, give you some details about how this ministry works and offer you an opportunity to support it with your donations..

Laundry Room March 15-19

The laundry room is available for use at \$1 per wash and \$1 per dry. Clients have access to front loading industrial machines that run a "sanitizing cycle" that kills bed bugs. This is an issue for those living in cramped low-income housing. This area requires support with laundry room supplies and financial donations towards the cost of the water.

Laundry Room

- Laundry Pods
- Stain Remove
- Fabric Softener
- Bleach
- Dryer Sheets
- Laundry Hamper

***Donation bins are available at the church for donations for Westview.
Contact the NUMC Office 905-468-3313 with and questions.***

Upcoming Ministry Focus:

March 22 -26~Household and Small Appliances

March 29 - April~ Pantry items for Baby and Household





Daylight Savings

Just a reminder to set your clocks ahead on hour this weekend on Saturday March 13.

Sr Youth

This Friday night, 7:00pm at the parking lot outside of the church! It's the Socially Distanced Olympics! Stay COVID safe, and participate in person for some games!

Communion

As part of our Easter online services, Pastor Daniel will lead us in a communion service on Good Friday. Please join us. Prepare yourselves spiritually and with your own bread and wine/grape juice to take communion.

Palm Sunday Palm Waving

We would love to showcase our kiddos on Palm Sunday by creating a palm waving video. Parents, please contact rachael@redbrickchurch.ca for more information on how to participate..

Church Reopening

As we move out of the stay at home order, the Church Board is beginning to look at re-opening for in-person worship services and funerals. In order to plan appropriately we need to have volunteers in place to assist as ushers and welcome hosts. If you are Interested in volunteering, contact Daniel Janzen or the church office.

Tulips for Neighbours

On Saturday March 20, we encourage you to reach out to your neighbours with the symbol of hope that God has given us in early Spring, the tulip. We encourage you to give your neighbours some tulips, whether alive in a pot, or cut. To send to them a message that there is someone out there thinking of them. To give to our neighbours a sign that Spring is coming, whatever that may mean to them. If you wish, put a little card in the tulips with your name and your address that they may know from whom this gift comes. The purpose is to merely give a gift, to show our love for our neighbours in this time when hope goes up and down like a yo-yo. To share the love God has shared with us with all whom we come in contact. May God bless you and your families as we move into the next season of our lives.

How to worship with us this week...

"Church Online" (English)

10:00 am

Watch the English service every week [HERE](#) at the same time as others, and join in the conversation using the chat box

English Online

10:00 am

Available through the [church website](#) every Sunday morning by 10 am and available throughout the week.

Cogeco

10:30 am

This week, an English service will be presented on Channel 10.
The service is being presented by St. Catharines United Mennonite Church.

Pleasant Manor English Service

11:00 am

Available every week through the Pleasant Manor antenna system.

Upcoming German Worship Services

March 21

April 4

April 18

Available Online - Pleasant Manor Antenna System - Cogeco

Please check the bulletin and website for updates regarding COVID and our re-opening for in church worship services.

Rob's Report



NUMC - Receipts - Donations	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>			
Budget	41,337	45,309			
MCC	3,175	4,240			
Christian Witness	350	1,065			
MDS	70	20			
Women in Service	50	650			
Westview and Westview Centre 4 Women - WC4W	50	0			
MCC School Kit project	0	1,000			
Mission and Service Fund	0	600			
Youth group	0	340			
Friends: Mennonite Centre Ukraine	0	330			
Capital Projects	0	70			
Refugee sponsorship	0	50			
Deacons/Caregiver Fund	0	20			
Library	0	20			
Other, Rent, Solar, interest, etc	2,810	3,902			
Total Receipts 2 months ending Feb 28, 2021	47,842	57,616			
We have collected \$41,337 towards our 2021 budget of \$418,520, year to date. Our expenses year to date are \$52,039					
Thank you to our church family for continued financial support.					
NUMC - Expenses - 2 months ending Feb 28, 2021	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021 budget</u>		
Wages and staff expenses	41,202	47,165	277,500		
Facilities, Utils, Repairs, Insurance	7,540	11,138	57,575		
Office and computers	2,011	2,382	15,500		
Worship and music	1,286	989	8,300		
Conference support	0	0	35,000		
Missions budget	0	0	10,000		
Education, SS, library, resources	0	242	9,000		
Engagement, youth and ministry	0	0	5,645		
Total Expenses 2 months ending Feb 28, 2021	52,039	61,916	418,520		

The Church board extends its sincere thanks to all persons who have continued to contribute financially towards our church ministry.

Contact Us



*Our Pastoral Team is still around, just working from home these days.
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- Reach out to our '[Care Ministry](#)'