• JUNE 2022

NIAGARA UNITED MENNONITE CHURCH



"God of power, may the boldness of Your Spirit transform us, may the gentleness of Your Spirit lead us, may the gifts of Your Spirit be our goal and strength, now and always." ~ Voices Together, #1067

FOR THIS TIME OF GATHERED PRAYER:

Find a place in the sanctuary that is comfortable for you. In order to keep everyone as safe as possible, please respect physical distancing protocols and keep face masks in place. Don't forget to switch off cell phones.

Welcome the silence. Listening is as much a part of prayer as speaking. If you have trouble hearing others who are praying out loud, take that as an opportunity to simply support that person in prayer, knowing that God will hear.

In spoken prayers for others, please be respectful of privacy & confidentiality boundaries; unless a matter is already public knowledge, avoid naming individuals and their personal situation without the express permission of those involved

You may enter or leave at any time as you need. We will conclude the formal time at 6:55 with praying the Lord's Prayer together;

PERSONAL PRAYERS FOR THIS SEASON:

As we begin this month with the celebration of Pentecost, read Acts 2:1-4. Consider what tongue of flame God has meant for you, for a Spirit-filled life. What strength to you feel within your soul? What fears might be holding you back?

PRAYERS FOR OUR FAITH COMMUNITY:

We thank God for the many volunteer hands & hearts & voices that share their gifts of time & energy in the life of our congregation!

We thank God for an exciting vibrant children's ministry, and pray for new volunteers to sustain this mission of nurturing the youngsters among us, when it resumes in September.

We pray for youth who are winding up the school year, graduating, preparing for higher education, seeking jobs.

We pray for those who may be considering making a commitment of faith in Jesus, and expressing this by seeking baptism.

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:

We bring to God our concerns over the proliferation of gun violence, and pray for victims of such violence, and for those who hold a gun in their hand, with thoughts of hate in their hearts.

We pray that ways may be found & pursued to make our world safer for everyone.

June 20th is World Refugee Day. We pray for all those who have been displaced by war, intolerance, climate disasters, and economic need.

We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine & Russia; for and end to the military aggression, and for the courageous efforts for non-violent peace building take root & produce change. My Prayers throughout the month of June :

