

Niagara United Mennonite Church

Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community

November 26, 2023

Welcome! We are so glad that you have chosen to attend Niagara UM today! If you have any questions or would like to learn about what happens on a Sunday morning please visit the Welcome Centre desk in the foyer or ask an usher.

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Eternity Sunday

Worship Service at 10:45 am

Welcome		Joachim Dau
Worship in Song		Worship Band
Community Prayer		
Children's Moment		Jonathan Bradnam
Eternity Sunday Video & Candle Lighting		
Worship in Song		
Scripture Reading	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Donna Epp-Froese
Message	"Eternity in our Hearts"	Daniel Janzen
Closing Song		
Sending Blessing		

***If it is your desire to support work of the church,
donations can be dropped off at the Welcome Centre.***

Within Red Brick Church...

Eternity Sunday Candle Lighting

Today, after the slideshow of those in our congregation who passed away this last year, there will be a time when we will light candles of remembrance. Anyone is welcome to come forward to light a candle for any loved one lost, whether the person passed away this year or 50 years ago.

Communion Next Week

We will be celebrating Communion on December 3, 1st Advent. Come prepared to receive this great gift of God with thanksgiving as we remember the new covenant which Jesus established between us and God by his death and confirmed in his resurrection.

Baptism Announcement

On December 3, we are excited to celebrate with Joshua Dau his decision to follow Jesus by being baptized. May God's love in him abound more and more, with knowledge and discernment... so that he may be filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to glory and praise of God. - Phil 1:9-11

Candlelight Stroll THIS Friday!

Calling all singers! We will be singing simple Christmas Carols at the candlelight stroll this Friday! Join us at 134 Johnson Street at 6:45. Warm beverages will be provided. We would love to know if you are coming - please RSVP to John and Kathy or Rachael.

Advent Flyer

There are many exciting events coming up through the Christmas season. You're welcome to take home the Advent flyer in the pews this morning. There are extra copies available at the Welcome Centre if you would like to distribute them to friends and family as well!

RBK & NUMC Let's decorate our home for Christmas - together!

Saturday December 2nd, from 10am to 2pm will be a time for creating some new Christmas memories! We will be decorating different parts of our church, and Christmas cookies, *and* be making ornaments, **and** sip on hot cocoa/hot apple cider/tea/coffee, **AND** share yummy pizza for lunch **AND** share time together! If decorating sounds absolutely dreadful, but pizza and people sound sensational, you can still come and be present with us! :) Please connect with Ana if you have any questions.

A German Choir for Christmas Save the Date

The last German service and the German Advent Celebration will be taking place on Dec. 10th, 2nd Advent Sunday. Calling all who long to sing those beloved German carols one last time! We would love to have a choir to sing in the closing service that morning, and also at the afternoon program. Practices: Thursday, Nov. 30, and Dec. 7, 7:00-8:00 p.m. Tell your friends!!

Christmas Cookie Call!

Our German members and guests are always delighted by the social time around coffee/tea & Christmas cookies at the Advent Celebration. Donations of cookies for this event on Dec. 10th would be greatly appreciated. So, if you can, double that special recipe when you do your baking, and bring some to church that morning. Thank you!!

NUMC Praying Together

The Prayer Guide for November is available at the Welcome Centre and on our website, as a tool for us to be in prayer for the needs of our congregation, the local community, and the wider world. The next Prayer Time gathering will take place on Tues., Dec. 5, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Fill the Pantry for Westview Project

As the weather gets colder and needs in our community grow, Red Brick Kids is spearheading a “Fill the Pantry for Westview” project! Between now and Saturday, December 2, we have the lofty goal of filling our NUMC food pantry right to the brim, with items needed to help the families in the Queenston Street neighbourhood surrounding Westview Church in St. Catharines.

On Sunday, December 3, some of our RBK crew will be bringing these items directly to Westview and will receive a tour of the Centre for Women. If you wish to join the tour, or if you have any questions, please speak to Ellery Rauwerda and/or Ana Janzen.

Most needed items are:

items for kid's school lunches
canned meat and fish
packaged cookies and crackers
any canned food
spaghetti sauce
diapers in any size
socks of all sizes



Please drop off all donations in the designated area in the lower foyer.

Family News...

Our sincere condolences to Lieselotte Schmidt and her family at the passing of her husband Eckhard Schmidt on November 12th. A Memorial Service took place at NUMC on Friday November 24, 2023. We send our prayers to the family at this difficult time.

Within the Community...

Prayer Breakfast at Bethany Mennonite Church

Bethany invites you to their first Prayer Breakfast planned for Thursday, November 30th at 7am at Bethany. Invite friends and neighbours.

Silver Fox Event with Bethany Mennonite Church

On Thursday, Dec. 7 we will enjoy dinner at Betty's restaurant (four choices of entrees) and a Lights Tour. We will meet at Bethany at 4:15. The cost is \$65 per person, including coach, taxes, gratuities, buns, coffee or tea, and dessert at Betty's. To ensure your participation, pay Paul and Jo Thiessen, Bud and Ella Andres, or Ted and Sylvia Wiens by Dec. 3. We are limited to 50 participants due to bus capacity.

Bears and Blankets at Grace Mennonite Church

Grace Mennonite Church at 677 Niagara St. in St. Catharines welcomes donations of homemade shawls and or small blankets for our Bears and Blankets program for Elders in Long Term Care. We have provided 117 care-kits thus far. We have requests for 171. Our care-kits go to Seniors who don't get many visitors or who are lonely. Please contact Jan at 289-990-4839 or janscats@gmail.com. Thank you!

Sermon Notes...



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Looking Ahead ...

Next Week - Sunday December 3

First Advent is here! We will be celebrating baptism and sharing communion.

9:30 Red Brick Kids

10:30 Cogeco Broadcast

10:45 English Worship Service

In Two Weeks: Sunday, December 10

9:45 a.m. - Our final German worship service

10:30 a.m. - German carol sing in the sanctuary

10:45 a.m. - 2nd Advent service

3:00 p.m. - German Advent Celebration