

Niagara United Mennonite Church

Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community

December 10, 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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Second Advent Final German Worship Service 9:45am All Welcome!

Klavier — Ruth Lamarre

Andachtsleiter — Renate Dau Klaassen

Chor: "Tochter Zion, freue dich"

Grusswort — Lukas 1:68-75

Lied — GDM #47, "Macht hoch die Tür"

Schriftwort — Lukas 2:15-20

Botschaft — "Was wir gehört und gesehen haben" Ramona Neufeld, Joachim
Dau u. Renate Dau Klaassen

Lied — GDM #41, "Wie soll ich dich empfangen" V. 1,3 u. 6

Segen

Bitte bleibt nach der Andacht zum Singen von deutschen Weihnachtsliedern und zu einer Anerkennung der freiwilligen Helfer mit den d. Andachten vor der ganzen Gemeinde!

Diese, unsere letzte deutsche Andacht wird am 17. Dezember um 10:30 auf Cogeco Cable 10, gezeigt werden.

Grab some coffee/tea and join us in the sanctuary for a German Carol Sing!

Please see inside for the 10:45 am Order of Worship

Worship Service at 10:45 am

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| Welcome | | John Tiessen |
| Worship in Song | | Ladies Choir |
| Community Prayer | | |
| Children's Moment | | Laurene Nickel |
| Scripture Reading | "Mark 1:1-8" | Esther Willms |
| Message | "Waiting with John" | Daniel Janzen |
| Closing Song | | |
| Sending Blessing | | |

New Membership

We are pleased to welcome Cody and Hannah Roorda into membership. Hannah grew up here at NUMC and Cody grew up in the Dutch Reformed tradition. Both come with blessings from their former churches as they begin their newly joined life together here. We are blessed to have them with us.

German Advent Celebration Today!

The German Advent Celebration takes place this afternoon, at 3:00 p.m., in the sanctuary. Songs, readings, stories, coffee & cookies! Alle Willkommen!!

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

Within Red Brick Church...

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!

Calling All Carollers for Pleasant Manor!

From strollers to seasoned singers, everyone is invited to join us for our carol sing around the grounds of Pleasant Manor on Sunday December 17th at 5:00pm. We will meet in the Creekview parking lot! If you have family or friends at Pleasant Manor, remind them to keep an eye out their windows around 5:00 to enjoy the singing!

Opening our doors to another church community:

In November, we were approached by members of a local Syriac Orthodox (Indian) Church plant. They are interested in using our sanctuary for worship on Saturday mornings starting in January. We are eager to work with them and to see how this relationship develops in the coming weeks.

Free Cedar Bows at NUMC

Fresh Cedar bows available for home decorating, or any other decorating, available behind the church near the lawn mower shed. Help yourselves - bring a pruner to cut the bows down to a workable size. The cuttings will be cleaned up after Christmas.

Praying Through Christmas

Copies of the December Prayer Guide are available at the welcome desk. Note: it includes a listing of the weekly Scripture readings from the Revised Common Lectionary. Please take one to guide your prayer & devotional time during Advent & Christmas. Watch for announcements about the next prayer gathering.

Volunteers Needed!

The AV team needs volunteers to run the camera and PowerPoint presentations during our Sunday Morning services. No experience is necessary. Please contact Ed Janzen for more details.

Church Board Chair Needed

As the Church Board (CB) looks towards the end of the year and the beginning of the next, we would like to highlight the need for a CB chair. This is an important position that has been vacant since the beginning of the year and we would like to have it filled for 2024. We ask you to make this a priority in your prayers for the church, so that it may become clear to our church and to whoever is called to this position. Thank you.

Niagara Life Centre

The Niagara Life Centre Christmas Newsletter for 2023 is available at the Welcome Centre.

Family News...

Henry Epp is in Niagara Falls hospital getting some medical attention. Please remember him in your prayers.

Within the Community...

Tenant Council Christmas Crafts and Bake Sale at Pleasant Manor

On Saturday December 16 from 9:30 am to 11:30am in our Creekview Link. Donations of baked goods would be much appreciated. Funds raised will go to the Pleasant Manor Tenant Council to enhance and fund quality of life activities for our dear seniors..

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 17

We look forward to the participation of Red Brick Kids, who will be sharing a short Christmas presentation to start the service!

9:15 Red Brick Kids

10:30 Cogeco Broadcast

10:45 English worship service

In Two Weeks - Sunday December 24

We look forward to a special Christmas presentation from Red Brick Kids!