

February 11, 2024

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.

<u>Click here</u> to watch the Live Stream. <u>Click here</u> to watch archived videos during the week.

## Worship Service at 10:45 am

Welcome Worship in Song Community Prayer Children's Moment Scripture Reading Message Communion Closing Song Sending Blessing

Mark 9:2-9 "The truth unveiled" Joachim Dau Worship Band

Jonathan Bradnam Beverley Epp-Devolin Daniel Janzen

*If it is your desire to support work of the church,* <u>donations</u> can be dropped off at the Welcome Centre. For more information see the back page.

# Within Red Brick Church...

#### Pancake Supper

The NUMC Church Home Church group is inviting you to join them for a Pancake supper on Tuesday, February 13, starting at 5:30 and going until about 7:00 p.m. You are invited to bring someone along to share the meal with you. There will be a free will offering for MCC at the door. Please pray for this event that relationships will grow through the breaking of bread together.

#### **Annual General Meeting 2024**

Time to mark your calendars. The NUMC 2024 Annual General Meeting will be happening on Tuesday February 27, 2024 at 7 pm. Come at 6:30pm for coffee and visiting. Please see the agenda on the following page.

#### MCC Update

Mennonite Central Committee has sent us a letter of thanks for our support and an impact update which are on the bulletin board for you to read.

#### **Reports from Our Partner Organizations**

Annual Reports from Canadian Mennonite Magazine, MC Canada, and MCEC have been posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. If you would like a paper copies please contact the church office.

#### **Red Brick Kids February Break**

Red Brick Kids will not be meeting on February 18 or 25. This is due to the Family Day holiday. We will see you all on March 3rd!

#### Lost and Found

A black overcoat was found in the sanctuary after the Candlelight Service on December 23. There is also a fedora hat. If you have lost either of these items, please contact the church office at 905-468-3313, or office@redbrickchurch.ca.

#### NIAGARA UNITED MENNONITE CHURCH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA

### Tuesday February 27, 2024 6:30 pm Coffee Time, 7 pm Meeting Begins Church Gymnasium

#### Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Opening Devotion
- 2. Acceptance of Agenda
- 3. Appointment of Teller's Committee
- 4. Review and Acceptance of last membership meeting minutes on February 21, 2023
- 5. Ministry and Committee Reports
- 6. Audited 2023 Financial Statements and Treasurer's Report
- 7. Review and Approval of 2024 Budget
- 8. Ratification of Committee Chairs, members, and representatives for 2024
- 9. Appointment of Delegates to MCEC Annual Church Gathering April 26-27, 2024
- 10. Other business
  - a. Syriac Orthodox Church Presentation/Motion
- 11. Closing Prayer
- 12.Adjournment

# **Printed Materials**

**AGM Report** will be posted on the church website by February 13. If you would like a printed copy, contact the church office.

#### **Refugee Sponsorship Committee**

Five years have passed since our church completed its last refugee sponsorship.

Recently, our Church Board was approached by members who would like to revive the sponsorship committee in order to offer another family the opportunity to resettle in peace and security in Canada. The proposal is to work with Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and to choose a family from a list of people who have been selected by the UN Refugee Agency and pre-approved for resettlement by a Canadian visa office abroad. As a congregation, we would need to raise about \$30,000 in financial support before we can make the application.

We would also need a list of willing volunteers before applying. Please consider this project prayerfully and discuss it with family and friends. More information will be available at the AGM on February 27. Greta & Kathy

# Family News...

Justina Reimer asks for your prayers for her son-in-law, Henry Janzen, who is struggling with pancreatic cancer.

The flowers in the Sanctuary were placed in loving memory of Peter Janzen. He is missed by his family every day.

# Within the Community...

#### Ash Wednesday Service at Grace Mennonite Church

Grace Mennonite Church and Scott Street Church are hosting a brief Ash Wednesday service at 11:00 am on February 14th at the Grace Mennonite Church facility at 677 Niagara Street, St. Catharines. This will be a meaningful way to prepare for the season of Lent.

#### Wild Hope for God's Garden

February 23 - 25, at The First Mennonite Church in Vineland (3557 Rittenhouse Rd. Vineland). Join us for a weekend exploring the intersection of Creation Care and Faith. Joanne Moyer is a professor of Environmental Studies at The King's University in Edmonton. She researches faith-based environmental action and has volunteered with the Mennonite Creation Care Network and Mennonite Church Canada's Sustainability Leadership Group for many years. She will lead us through a weekend of exploring urgent environmental problems, such as climate change, and how we can respond as people faith. There is no charge for this event. For further information please see the poster on the community bulletin board.

#### Mennonite Historical Society of Ontario

MHSO Annual Meeting & Niagara Russlaender Centenary Tour, Saturday, June 15, 2024. Join the Society for a day tour of sites in the Niagara Region to commemorate the centenary of the arrival of Russlaender Mennonite immigrants in Ontario. Visit <u>www.mhso.org</u> and fill out a form to be notified when registration opens.

#### Silver Lake Mennonite Camp

SLMC Summer Camp – Registration is open! Visit <u>slmc.ca/summer-camp</u> to view all programs available at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp this summer. Winter Camp for Grownups – This "choose your own adventure" weekend at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp is the perfect winter escape. Co-hosted by PiE (Pastors in Exile). March 1-3. Register at <u>slmc.ca/retreats</u>.

### Women's Auxiliary for Pleasant Manor UPDATE

Some of our fundraising money will be going to :

\*Foldable tables for events

\*Programing for Tenants and social activities

\*Gardens - out door furniture and flowers

\*Electronic keyboard for Chapel

\*Refreshing the look and workings of Bowling Alley

Also.....

#### MARK THE DATE: Spring Bazaar Saturday March 23rd 10am - 11:30

In preparation for it we need to be making our famous delicious meat buns early. Volunteer help will be needed:

### Monday Feb 5th at 9am and Monday Feb 12th at 9am in the NUMC

church kitchen.

Come for some fun learning and socializing as you bake!!

Contact Anne Litke 289-241-0093

Denise Janzen 905-650-5726

Isolde Kroeker 905-941-2994

Carole Wiens 905-246-4802

Thanks to all ladies that helped last fall and we hope to count on you this time as well. You're professionals now! If you don't contact us ,we'll be calling you! Look forward to hearing from you.

Thanks so much,

Anne Litke Auxiliary Chair person

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# <u>Bulletins</u>

redbrickchurch.ca/ ebulletins/

## **Calendar of Events**

redbrickchurch.ca/ calendar

# <u>How to Donate</u>

redbrickchurch.ca/give
1) At the Welcome Centre in
the Foyer
2) By E-transfer:
treasurer@redbrickchurch.ca
3) By Mail: NUMC RR#2 HWY 55
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# <u>Contact</u>

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# **Office Hours & Staff**

Tuesday - Friday 9am-2pm Daniel: Tues-Fri, 9am - 2:30pm Ring the doorbell at the glass doors!

## Red Brick E-News

<u>Sign Up</u> <u>https://redbrickchurch.ca/thr</u> <u>ough-the-doors/</u>

# Looking Ahead ...

### Next Week-Sunday February 18

9:30 am Red Brick Kids 10:30 am Cogeco Broadcast 10:45 am Worship Service