

March 10, 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		Erv Willms
Worship in Song		Worship Band
Community Prayer		
Children's Moment		Rachael Peters
Scripture Reading	Numbers 21:4-9 & John 3:14-21	Esther Willms
Message	"Snakes and Salvation"	Daniel Janzen
Closing Song		
Sending Blessing		

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...

#### Time Change Today!

It's already that time of year! Spring is coming and the clocks are springing forward one hour. Be sure to update your timepieces so you can enjoy all that early morning sun!

#### **Calling all Singers!**

You are warmly invited to join the choir as we prepare for Easter. Through March, rehearsals will take place every Thursday evening to prepare for the Good Friday and Easter Sunday services. Join us in the sanctuary at 7:00 on March 7, 14, 21 and 28.

#### **Communion Service at Pleasant Manor**

On Tuesday, March 12 at 3:30pm a communion service is planned for our members in Long Term Care at Pleasant Manor. If you would like to join the celebration please contact Pastor Daniel.

#### **MCEC Annual Church Gathering 2024 Delegates**

NUMC would like to send 5 delegates to the MCEC church gathering in Learnington Ontario. The gathering takes place at UMEI from April 26-27. This year's theme is "Inspired by Hope." The new MCEC strategic plan "Growing into the Future!" will be shared.

#### **Funeral and Memorial Volunteers List**

We are fortunate at NUMC to have so many dedicated volunteers. The office needs an updated list of those who are interested in volunteering at funerals and memorial services. Positions include ushers, visitation hosts, audiovisual staff, and music. Please contact Julie in the office at 905-468-3313 or office@redbrickchurch.ca.

# Arts & Crafts Day, March 13, 9:30am - 1pm, NUMC GYM

Come one, come all! A fun filled morning of arts and crafts. Bring yourself and bring your friends!! Event is geared towards children, but everyone is welcome to participate. Pizza lunch will be provided. :)

\*Please let Ana Janzen know if you are interested in coming. Text or call: 905-246-1527 e-mail: ankijanzen@gmail.com or kids@redbrickchurch.ca

## Annual General Meeting Summary

Thank you to all those who attended and helped make the 2023 AGM a success.

Highlights:

- Pastor Daniel opened with a devotional/prayer on the importance of Jesus as our cornerstone.
- Members reviewed and approved the various Ministry and Committee reports and thanked all members involved in the many activities.
- John Tiessen updated members of the Church's continuing efforts to encourage more community engagement
- Rob Neufeld reviewed NUMC 2023 year end expenditures and NUMC 2024 budget. Both were approved by members.
- Pastor Daniel presented an update on the Syriac Orthodox Church's use of NUMC church and a motion to continue partnership on an ongoing basis which was approved by members.

--Church Board

#### **Refugee Sponsorship Meeting**

An information meeting to discuss refugee sponsorship at NUMC will be held on Tuesday, March 12 at 7:00 pm in the choir room. We will discuss details such as amount of money needed to go ahead with this process, and the various volunteer positions that need to be filled in advance. Please come out to become more informed and also to show your support for the refugee project.

Kathy & Greta

# Within the Community...

#### **Conrad Grebel Choir at Bethany Mennonite Church**

On Sunday, March 17. Next Sunday, the Grebel Choir will be coming to sing at Bethany Mennonite during their worship time. You are invited to join them at 10am, so long as you return for our service at 10:45am. <sup>©</sup>

#### **Pleasant Manor Spring Bazaar and Tea**

When: Saturday March 23rd 10am – 11:30 am Where: Pleasant Manor Chapel room Meat buns, paska and cookies will be the main baked items for sale this Easter. But the women's auxiliary appreciate any food baking donations for this day especially for the Tea room like squares, cookies, buns, breads and tarts. Borscht, jams and sauces are also accepted. Baking volunteers please bring your baked goods to the Pleasant Manor Chapel room on Friday March 22 between 6pm and 8pm.

#### Silver Lake Mennonite Camp

**SLMC Summer Camp** – Registration is open! Visit slmc.ca/summercamp to view all programs available at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp this summer.

**SLMC 3-v-3 Basketball Tournament** – Create a team to participate in Silver Lake's fundraiser on March 23 at Rockway Mennonite Collegiate. Register at slmc.ca/basketball-tournament

Music is Medicine Retreat – Come to Silver Lake for a weekend of singing and instrumental music from April 19-21. All meals provided. Register at slmc.ca/retreats.

#### Hidden Acres Single Moms' Camp

Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp in New Hamburg Ontario, is hosting two weeks of summer camp for single mothers and their kids this summer. Age range for kids is 5-12 years old. Dates are July 1 to 5, and August 5 to 9. Please see the bulletin board in the foyer for more details.

#### Olive Wood Handmade Hand Cross from Bethlehem!

The Shepherds' Trail (<u>www.theshepherdstrail.com</u>) is a group of Palestinian-Christian artisans working in partnership with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bethlehem to support programs for youth, women, and marginalized communities.

The community makes wholesale olive wood handmade hand crosses (Size: 9.5\*4.5\*1.2 cm.) individually packed including a bookmark with information about this initiative and ready for resale made by Palestinian artisans in Bethlehem. The crosses come in packages of 25.

To inquire about prices and shipping options, please send an email to: <u>bisan@theshepherdstrail.com</u> Thank you!

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# <u>Bulletins</u>

redbrickchurch.ca/ ebulletins/

## **Calendar of Events**

redbrickchurch.ca/ calendar

## <u>How to Donate</u>

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the Foyer
2) By E-transfer:
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3) By Mail: NUMC RR#2 HWY 55
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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

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# Looking Ahead ...

### Next Week-Sunday March 17

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