

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.

April 21, 2024

Worship Service at 10:45 am

Welcome
Worship in Song
Community Prayer
Children's Moment
Scripture Reading
Message
John Tiessen
Worship Band
Laurene Nickel
Bill Devolin
Doug Schulz

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...

We Welcome Doug Schulz!

We extend a warm welcome to our guest speaker Doug Schulz, who will share with us about the Bridge of Hope community.

Doug retired from pastoral work at Grace Mennonite Church in 2022, after a career in Mennonite congregational ministry and Christian high school teaching. Since 1980, he and his wife Annie have engaged in Refugee Sponsorship initiatives in churches they've attended. In 2015, Doug helped form a partnership (Called "Bridge of Hope Community") between Grace Mennonite Church and the St. Catharines Masjid An Noor, to bring Syrian refugee families to Niagara. Since then, this coalition has grown to include participants from two mosques, four Mennonite congregations, two United churches, and a Quaker group. To date, 8 Syrian families have settled in Niagara. Presently, three South Sudanese refugee families are expected to arrive later this year and in 2025

We will have a brief Q & A right after the service to discuss with Doug how NUMC can help sponsor refugees through Bridge of Hope. Please join us at the front of the sanctuary after the Blessing.

Women in Service

The Women In Service Group will have their last meeting of this season on Tuesday, April 23rd, at 9:00 a.m. The funds will be distributed and refreshments served. All are welcome.

Man Up Prayer Meeting

Join us on May 2 at 7 pm here at NUMC as we pray for the Man-Up ministry and the upcoming Men's event on May 4. All are welcome!

Man-Up Event

Our church is hosting a "ManUp" gathering for men on Saturday May 4th at 7:00 pm. The theme for the evening is "Standing Strong and Walking in Freedom." "ManUp" is a local non-denominational organization to encourage men to be who God designed them to be. You are warmly invited to join this free event! Pizza will be served in the auditorium afterwards. Visit manupniagara.com to learn more about the organization or connect with Peter Janzen.

Invitation to Westview's Forest Church Experience

On Sunday April 28th, NUMC is invited to join Westview's Forest Church experience. Forest Church is an opportunity to worship together in a natural setting, creating space to connect with the Holy Spirit through encounters with God's 2nd most spectacular creation - nature! Rachael & Ellery will be joining Westview in leading music that morning, and we would love to worship alongside all those from NUMC who are able to join us that morning. (A regular service will still take place here at NUMC that day!)

We will be gathering at 1821 Effingham Street, Pelham, ON (Vic and Miriam Ratzlaff's farm) at 10am with the aim to start at 10:15am. We will be meeting RAIN OR SHINE in the barn and adventuring out in the field or forest for a time of contemplation. Please note that the terrain can be uneven and steep, and be sure to dress for the weather. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to connect with Ellery.

Within the Community...

Grow Hope Niagara Spring Update

We have received an update on Grow Hope Niagara Projects as we look forward to the harvest of July 2024. See the poster on the bulletin board for more details.

German Service at SCUMC Today!

Honouring church history and the local historic Mennonite community... a "German Service on a Sunday Afternoon" today @ 2:30pm at St. Catharines United Mennonite Church (335 Linwell Road, St. Catharines). After the service in the sanctuary, we will gather for light refreshments in the gym. Looking forward to singing, sharing, and engaging with each other in the German "heart language" Alle Willkommen!! All Welcome!! (Elevator to sanctuary/gym available; please enter through front entrance)

Bethany Prayer Breakfast – You are invited to Bethany for our Prayer Breakfast held this Thursday, April 25th at 7:30 am.

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Red Brick E-News Sign Up

https://redbrickchurch.ca/through-the-doors/

Crisis in Ethiopia

In recent months the Mennonite or Meserete Kristos Church (MKC), in Ethiopia has been severely persecuted. MC Canada has launched an urgent relief appeal in support of MKC. To contribute, visit:

mennonitechurch.ca/international-witness/MKC-relief or call 866-888-6785.

Niagara Life Centre Annual Walk and Run

Join us on Saturday, April 27th, 2024 (8:30am - 11:00am) for our Annual Walk and Run! This family friendly event has activities for everyone including face painting, balloon twisting, inflatables, games, snacks, timed 1 & 5 km walk/runs, lunch, and awards for top pledges & race winners! This event will be held rain or shine, all outdoors, so please come dressed for the weather! Register as a participant on our website at:

https://niagaralifecentre.ca/events/walk-run-2024/ and sign up for a-fundraising on Canada helps at: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/niagaralife-centre/p2p/walk-run-2024/

We are looking for volunteers for this year's Walk & Run and BBQ! Have you been wanting to help out but don't know how? This is a great opportunity to pitch in and see first hand what we are all about!

Contact <u>communications@niagaralifecentre.ca</u> to find out more!

Looking Ahead...

Next Week-Sunday April 28

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