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Tuesday-Friday 9am-2pm
Daniel: Tues, Thurs-Fri,
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doors!*

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Looking Ahead...

Next Week

Sunday December 29 at 10am

Worship Service

Red Brick Kids will NOT meet this
week.

Sunday January 5, 2025 at 10am

Worship Service

Red Brick Kids

Niagara United Mennonite Church



Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community

[Click here](#) to watch the Live Stream.

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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.

December 22, 2024

Fourth Advent

Worship Service at 10:00am

Welcome		John Tiessen
Worship in Song		Choir
Children's Moment		Melanie Scott
Community Prayer		
Scripture Reading	Luke 1:39-45	Esther Willms
Message	"Surprised by Joy"	Pastor Daniel
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...

Candlelight Service & Snacks

We hope you'll join us this evening at 7pm for our 75th annual Candlelight Service. We would appreciate and contributions to our reception in the foyer after the concert. Treats can be dropped off at the Coffee Centre before the concert this evening.

Church Office Christmas break

The Church Office will be closed from December 25, 2024 until January 2, 2025. For any pastoral emergencies please contact Pastor Daniel.

Church Office Phone Messages

If you phone the church office, within or outside of office hours please feel free to leave a message on our machine. Please include your name and number. Phone messages will be answered and checked throughout the day.

Women in Service Christmas Break

The Quilting Group had their Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 10th and is now on their Christmas break. They will resume again on Tuesday, January 7th, 2025. Thanks to all who helped sew 110 blankets this Fall, and welcome to new members in the new year.

Christmas Day Pick Up Choir

On Wednesday December 25th all singers are invited to join the pick up choir. Practice at 9:30 in the choir loft, service at 10.

RBK Christmas Break

Red Brick Kids will not be meeting next Sunday December 29. RBK will resume on January 5, 2025.

Inclement Weather Emails

As we enter the season of blustery weather, remember that you can opt in to our inclement weather email notifications to receive an email if the church is closed on a Sunday morning. Sign up here: <https://shorturl.at/jZVbm>

Financial Update

Financial Update as of December 15, 2024

As mentioned in previous financial updates we have estimated that our 2024 expense budget will be around \$363,800. As of December 15, 2024, we have received a total of \$328,059 in budget donations.

We ask that you check in to your account online to view your 2024 year to date giving. Alternatively, you can call the office, and Julie will provide a hard copy. If there are any issues or discrepancies let Julie know.

A reminder that donations need to be received by December 31, 2024, to be included on your donation receipt for this year. How to donate is listed in the bulletin weekly.

Thank you to all that have made contributions this year to date.

Syriac Orthodox Church Christmas Worship Services

Our friends at the Mor kauma Syriac Orthodox Church will be holding services at NUMC on Christmas Eve at 6pm and New Year's Eve at 6pm. We wish them God's blessings throughout the Christmas Season and in the New year to come!

Ladies Breakfast On Thursday January 2nd at 9 a.m. at the Husky Restaurant on York Road, NOTL. All ladies are welcome! For info contact Linda Friesen (Henry).

Prayer Time January 7

On Tuesday January 7 from 6-7pm please join us for prayer time in the Youth Room. This time we will focus on the celebration of Epiphany. All are welcome!

Church Board Elections & Program Volunteers

NUMC is looking for new members to serve in various positions on our Church Board as well as other volunteer positions. Further information will be in the bulletin in the coming weeks. Please consider these opportunities to become involved in the life of the church. The 2025 Church Board and other positions will be approved at our Annual General Meeting in February. Thank you

AGM Reports Due January 15, 2025

It is that time of year again! Time to start writing your AGM reports. Please submit your reports to the church office by no later than January 15, 2025. Word documents or PDFs are preferred. If you have any questions please contact Julie in the church office at 905-468-3313 or office@redbrickchurch.ca.

Family News...

Peter P. Dirks Sr. went home to be with God on December 18, 2024 at the age of 106. Please keep his family in your prayers at this difficult time. The funeral service will be held at NUMC on Monday December 23, 2024 at 10:30am and will be preceded by a Visitation reception in the church gym at 9am.

Within the Community...

Silver Lake Mennonite Camp Winter and Spring Retreats registration now open. Go to slmc.ca/retreats for more info. Coming up soon are:

Fathers & Kids Retreat (Jan 17-19) – A weekend of snow fort building, snowshoeing through the woods, roasting smores over the campfire, and playing games in the dining hall! Dads enjoy free-time Saturday morning while staff provide programming with kids.

Women's Retreat (Jan 31-Feb 2) – Come, experience the beauty of camp in winter. Be nourished by the relaxed pace, good food and meaningful conversation. Play in the snow, breathe deeply in yoga, cross country ski, go on a snowshoe hike through the woods. Reflection time led by Wendy Janzen.