

“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community”

Niagara United Mennonite Church

June 11, 2017

~ Church Family Picnic ~

Worship Service – 11:00 a.m.

Worship in Song

“Your Love Never Fails”

“Relentless”

“Take us to the river”

Youth Band

Congregational Life & Announcements

Steve Cox

Proclamation

Children’s Moment

Katrina Metsa

Scripture: Colossians 3:12-14

Youth

“Family Church”

NUMC Youth & Steve Cox

Sending

“Oceans”

Youth Band

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“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community” expresses our desire to share our faith and love of Jesus Christ with all we meet. We welcome you and hope that your time with us will be enjoyable and enlightening. Families with children are invited to worship together with us in the service. If you feel a sense of belonging, you are most welcome to be with us. Talk to us about how you can participate.  
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JOYS & CONCERNS:

Let us continue to pray for those in our church family who are ill; Sharon Dirks who is undergoing treatment for cancer, Eric Goerz, who is recovering from a heart attack, and Justina Bartel, who is home from the hospital after several days of testing. May all who are suffering and struggling find consolation in the Lord's healing presence.

WITHIN NIAGARA UM CHURCH:

‘Change for Life’ Baby Bottle Campaign for Hannah House Donations through this campaign are used to enable Hannah House to provide its young mothers and babies with food, shelter, programming and educational opportunities as well as cover household expenses. Thanks for your support! **Please return baby bottles next Sunday June 18th to the Welcome Centre!**

Floor Waxing: June 12th – 14th the floors in the lower level of the education wing are being stripped and waxed. Access to this area including the kitchen and classrooms is not available. This area will be open again on Friday June 15th.

Graduates & Post-Secondary Students – please kindly inform the church office if you or your son/daughter has or is graduating from high school or post-secondary studies this year. Please also notify April if you/they plan to attend/continue college or university in the fall and if so, in which program you/they are enrolled.

Christian Education Worker - As discussed at the May 30 Membership Meeting the Education Committee has requested we hire a "Christian Education Worker" once Stephen Cox finishes his work here. This person would lead, resource, equip and assist in any way necessary in the spiritual nurture of our children (cradle to college). This would be a one year contract until our new Associate Pastor is hired and in place. This request will be brought to the membership for approval later this month.

Associate Pastor: German Worship – The proposal by the German Worship team to hire an Associate Pastor on a 35% part-time basis was approved by the membership at the congregational meeting on May 30. The position has been posted at both the NUMC and MCEC websites for applications to be received by July 1. A search committee, consisting of Hans J. Wiens, Wilhelm (Bill) Harder, Franz Siemens and Udo Woelke, will evaluate applications and invite a chosen applicant to be interviewed and presented to the membership for approval at a special meeting. A starting date of Fall 2017 is anticipated.

Offering of June 4th: \$ 9,544.00			
Budget	\$6,424.00	MCC General	\$ 1,395.00
Christian Witness	\$ 995.00	MCC Food	\$ 150.00
Deacon's Fund	\$ 100.00	MCC Gardening Kits	\$ 50.00
MCEC	\$ 60.00	MCC Pork on a Bun	\$ 50.00
Menn. Disaster Serv.	\$ 200.00	Menn. Centr Ukraine	\$ 120.00

Offering Focus – Our weekly budget requirement is \$7,900. In addition to your budget commitment, this month we encourage your support of Christian Witness. These contributions go to Mennonite Eastern Canada (MCEC) where they are further allocated to support missionaries (including our Mission Partners the Dirks), education, leadership training, church planting, as well as administrative support and benefits. They count on our support. Any church donations not allocated to a specific cause will be directed to our budget.

Our Sermons & Services in June...

- June 4 “Water & Spirit” *David Lewis*
Matthew 3:13 - 17; John 3:1 – 8
- June 11 **Church Picnic** – Steve Cox
- June 18 “What Jesus says to fathers” *Dave Lewis*
Matthew 7:24 – 29
- June 25 Nathan & Taryn Dirks

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE (June 12th – 17th)

- Monday: 7:00 pm** Worship Committee Meeting
- Tuesday: 7:30 pm** GLU Committee Meeting
- Thursday: 7:00 pm** Education Committee Meeting
- Friday: 7:30 pm** Youth
- Saturday:** Off-site wedding of Kaitlyn Pauls & Luc Lobsinger

Next Sunday, June 18th – Father’s Day

- 8:45 am** Praise & Worship Practice
- 9:30 am** German Choir Practice
- 9:50 am** Choir Practice
- 11:00 am** Worship Service – Message from Dave Lewis

Next week’s Nursery volunteers: Andrew & Kristina Nickel

For a complete listing of church events, please see our online calendar on our church website.

Office Hours This Week:

- Monday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
- Tuesday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
- Wednesday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
- Thursday: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- Friday: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE:

Gardening Kits: MCC has been approached by 9 isolated First Nations communities in northern Ontario where the cost and availability of food is a serious issue. Help us raise funds and supplies to send site-appropriate seeds and a garden kit to communities working to sustain food production in their homeland. For a list of supplies and more info go to mcco.ca/gardening-kits.

IVEP Hosts Needed Interested in travelling the world without leaving home? Open your home to an International Volunteer Exchange Program participant! Hosts are needed in St. Catharines for the 2017/2018 IVEP term. Remuneration is provided. Go to mcco.ca/ivep or contact Sheryl Bruggeling (sherylbruggeling@mcco.ca or 519-745-8458 ext 265) for more info.

OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND:

Farmers Day Saturday June 17th – 10:00am-1:00pm. Pleasant Manor would like to invite the greater community by inviting members of our constituency churches to this year's Farm Day. If you have not had the joy of experiencing Farm Day, you should know that this is the perfect day to bring the generations of your family together! The young and young at heart gather together to enjoy live music, BBQ food and many attractions including performance by Marty Allen Band, Pony Rides, a Jump and Bounce, displays by Niagara Antique Power Association and much more! Everyone is invited to join us – Rain or Shine! We will be selling burgers and hotdogs, ice cream with local strawberries (if they are still in season) and corn on the cob to raise money to support resident programming. Bring your lawn chairs! We hope you can come!

CWOP (Caribbean Workers Outreach Program) representative Nancy Howse and Rev. Norlene have requested some extra support from our congregation for the workers in our area.

- Two more drivers are needed for Sunday night services at Bethany Mennonite Church
- Refreshments are needed for **June 18 and 25**

If you are willing to help, please call Kathy Rempel at 905-468-3829, or email jrempe16@icloud.com. Thank-you for considering sharing your time.

Ten Thousand Villages in Niagara-On-The-Lake is looking for volunteers for our first ever Fair Trade Rug Event! Our store will be hosting over 250 rugs from Pakistan that come in a wide range of sizes and styles. We are looking for help with loading and unloading the rugs on **Mon. June 26th from approx. 9:30am-2:30pm**. We are looking for volunteers with strong arms and backs as the rugs can be heavy and due to repetitive lifting. If you would like to help please contact Teresa Friesen at niagara@villages.ca or [905-468-5242](tel:905-468-5242).

NIAGARA LIFE CENTRE COUNSELLING needs your help. If you love to cook, and are able to take part in our cooking ministry for 8-10 young pregnant moms, we need you. Every Thursday the NLC Young and Pregnant Niagara group meets from 4:30 to 6:30 and this includes a healthy dinner. If you are interested and would like to learn more about how you can help with this program, please contact Rita or Joanne at NLC by calling [905-934-0021](tel:905-934-0021).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – SILVER LAKE MENNONITE CAMP: Volunteers are needed in the kitchen and to help with maintenance projects the weeks of **July 16-22 and August 6-12**. For more information please contact the camp – 519-422-1401 / fun@slmc.ca or visit www.slmc.ca/volunteers.

Do you know a young person eager for adventure, learning, travel and friendship - all while exploring a life of following Jesus? Outtatown still has space available for 2017-2018! Visit outtatown.com to learn more and apply.