

“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community”

Niagara United Mennonite Church

June 17th, 2018 ~ Father’s Day

“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. For children 3 years old or younger who are not able to sit through the church service, there is a nursery downstairs, or a glassed-in room behind the sanctuary where you may sit with your baby and still follow 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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Our Lighthouse program, which is a time of fellowship and learning for those aged 4 years to Grade 6 is held each Sunday during the Worship Service. Those in Grade 7 and 8 are also welcome to attend. The children will be called to the front for the Children’s Moment and then released after that. Parents may pick up their children in the Education Wing at the end of the service.

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Next week: Daniel Willms will share with us in the 10:45 am Worship Service his experience of journeying with MCC’s Yella Middle Eastern Learning Tour. Be sure to join us to hear about this intriguing experience, and how it impacted him and grew his faith!

JOYS & CONCERNS:

Heartfelt congratulations are extended to Eric Froese and Rachel de Waard who were married in our church yesterday! May they always walk together in the happy ways of love, while trusting in the grace of God to lead them from above. God bless this new union!

Please continue to pray for: Audrey Epp, Steve & Monica Epp & their unborn twin babies, Elizabeth Janzen, Susan Kaye, Rhodie Marshall, Irene Penner, David Steingart, Helen Wall & Martha Wiens, as well as others who may need our prayers. Let us continue to show our care for one another through the act of prayer that our Lord Jesus taught us. May we raise these individuals to our mighty God, as well as other neighbours, and community members as often as our Father in Heaven lays it upon our heart to do so.

Worship Service – 10:45 a.m.

Prelude	Kathy Rempel
Congregational Life	Linda Friesen
Worship in Song	Choir
Children’s Moment	Kathy Rempel
A Father’s Day Poem	Lighthouse Children
Offering	

Offering Focus – see financial section

Children exit for Lighthouse

Scripture Reading	Janice Janzen
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(John 14:5-7 & 1 John 3:1-3)

“A Father’s Shoes”	Pastor Waldo Pauls with Peter Janzen
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Today’s Nursery Volunteers: Eugene & Anna Kradko

WITHIN NIAGARA UM CHURCH:

Vacation Notice- Associate Pastor: German Worship Renate Dau Klaassen and her husband Randy are away on vacation to Europe, visiting Germany, Switzerland and Italy from June 3rd to 26th. We pray that they find rest and rejuvenation during their holidays.

Niagara Life Centre’s 2018 CHANGE IS GOOD CAMPAIGN: Happy Father’s Day! **Today is the day to return your containers.** Please return them to the Welcome Centre. Let’s not forget the opportunity we have to help hurting men who desire to have their lives restored. At Niagara Life Centre, many men wish to be stronger and healthier men and husbands. With your support of filling the containers with coins, bills, or cheques, Niagara Life Centre can continue to help men and fathers receive the help they need. Healthy mothers and fathers make healthy, happy families. Thank you so much for your participation in the Change Is Good Campaign! If you forgot your containers today, you still have another week to make a difference in the lives of families. **Life-giving change is good!**

Peach Salsa production Peach Salsa production is coming up. We are looking for volunteers for:

Friday night – June 22 – preparation aka lots of chopping

Saturday – June 23 – production

If you’ve not done this before, the tasks are not difficult and some would say it’s a fun time.

Sign up sheets are in the foyer **today**.

Lighthouse will continue until June 24th.

June calendars are available at the Welcome Centre.

Seniors Tea! We will be holding our next Seniors' Tea next Sunday on **Sunday June 24th at 3:00 pm** at Creekview. We are excited to have Erv and Esther Willms share some stories of their adventures with us. We look forward to seeing you there! ALL Seniors are welcome!

Kitchen item giveaway! Water glasses, stainless steel coffee and tea pots and a few other things available free outside the gym doors, please come and help yourselves. Will be there till Sunday the 24th of June.

Lost & Found! Please look through the items on the table in the mailbox area. These items have been around for some time now. Any unclaimed items will be sent to the benefit shop on June 25th.

Summer Schedule Times Beginning in July, we will begin our early worship schedule. The German Worship Service will begin at 9:00 am and the English Worship Service will begin at 10:00 am.

YOUTH:

Jr. Youth - Year End Party & Bonfire **Friday June 22nd 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.** on the beach at Rudy & Dorthea Enns property. Drop off and pickup from the Enns'.

Youth – Last event before the summer! BBQ, bonfire & games **7:30 p.m. Friday, June 22nd** at the Willms' house, 890 Line 2. Grades 8 students are welcome to join us. Drop off and pickup from the Willms'.

No offering collected last week at the picnic.	

Offering Focus – Our weekly budget requirement is \$7,654. 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, 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.

MENNONITE CHURCH EASTERN CANADA:

MCEC in Prayer: Each week MCEC staff pray for the faith communities within our MCEC community of congregations. We invite you to join us in praying this week for **Brussels Mennonite Church**.

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA:

Mennonite Church Canada reminds us that June 21st in Canada is National Aboriginal Day.

Prayer Request from MC Canada Joint Council We invite all congregations and members of Mennonite Church Canada to join with us in prayer as we seek an EXECUTIVE MINISTER.

Mennonite Delegation attends Indigenous Theology Conference More than 20 Mennonite pastors and leaders have been sponsored by Indigenous-Settler Relations to attend the NAIITS Indigenous theology conference at Acadia University in Nova Scotia (June 7-9). Young and older will be learning about the realities of white privilege and how that impacts racial conflict and our collective efforts toward reconciliation. Please pray for us. That we would have open hearts to learn from the wide diversity of peoples who will be offering their gifts; that we would share our gift too; and that we would come home ready to pass on what we have received to our congregations.

Ride for Refuge Save the date! **Saturday, September 29th** is the 2018 Ride for Refuge event. Mennonite Church Canada is once again inviting its congregational family to participate in this fun, nationwide bike-athon/walk in support of our international Witness ministry. As the Ride for Refuge website indicates: "The Ride for Refuge is a family-friendly cycling and walking fundraiser that supports charities who provide refuge and hope for displaced, vulnerable and exploited people everywhere." Please visit the Ride website, Stay tuned for more details!

OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND:

Mennonite Cookbooks & Women's Voices You are invited to participate in a voluntary, anonymous questionnaire exploring how Mennonite women shared their faith through cookbooks. Questionnaires for participants over 18 years available from: April in our church office. Need more information? Contact Lisa Cornish BMin: tca133870@tabor.edu.au

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE:

Stories in Recognition of World Refugee Day: A Lunch & Listen Event

Join us on Tuesday, June 19 to hear stories in recognition of World Refugee Day. Kaylee Perez, MCC Ontario Refugee Sponsorship Associate will be speaking. Can't attend in person? Watch it live. More info at mcco.ca/events.

World Refugee Day June 20 is the day the world commemorates the strength, courage and perseverance of millions of refugees. Please stand #WithRefugees on June 20, pray for the 22.5 million refugees worldwide and consider sponsoring a refugee family through the BVOR program today! More info at mcco.ca/supporting-refugees.

Bring MCC your Collected Kit Materials! This July we're sending a shipment to Jordan. Please bring any collected kit materials to any MCCO drop off location, listed at mcco.ca/kits. The shipment will focus on Relief Kits, but we welcome any supplies you may have. Thank you for your continued support!

MCC Prayer Requests:

- Pray for an end to conflict, injustices and other forms of human rights abuses around the world.
- Lord, we pray for the safety of all people who risk their lives to document the human rights violations of the powerful. We pray that journalists continue to be able to report all they witness within Palestine and Israel.
- Please pray for volunteers for CoSA and our Faith Community Reintegration Program.
- We invite your prayers for the people of Gaza. In the past weeks, Israeli military forces have killed more than 100 Palestinians and injured thousands more, as the people of Gaza have demanded their right to return to the homes their families lost in 1948. Pray for an end to the killing, healing for the injured, comfort for the grieving, and a commitment from all parties to work for a just and lasting peace.
- We give thanks for the positive changes for those we support in our Restorative Justice Programs.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE (June 18th – June 24th)

Tuesday: **7:00 pm** Joint CC & SC BBQ (off-site)
Thursday: **6:00 pm** Wedding Rehearsal
 8:00 pm Al-Anon Meeting
Friday: **4:00 pm** Peach Salsa Prep
 6:30 pm Jr Youth
 7:30 pm Youth
Saturday: **7:00 am** Peach Salsa Production
 1:00 pm Corey Fowler & Alicia Armstrong Wedding

Sunday, June 24th

9:15 am German Choir Practice
9:45 am Choir Practice
9:50 am German Worship Service– Message by Hans H. Dau
10:45 am Worship Service– Message by Daniel Willms
3:00 pm Senior’s Tea@ Pleasant Manor

Next Week’s Nursery Volunteers: Audrey Dau & Sylvia Tissen

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

NUMC Services & Sermons are available online.

Individual Sermons or Sermon Series are available for purchase, on CD or DVD. Please place your order through the church office.

Online Filming Privacy Notice – Our church services are recorded for streaming over the internet, capturing the stage and up to the front half of the church in the picture that is transmitted. We encourage all ages to sit towards the front of the church to showcase our lively and active congregation! Thanks for your support.