

RED BRICK CHURCH

SUMMER WORSHIP

September 2nd at 10:00am

A Special Welcome to

Kendall Stone (Reimer)



Today we welcome back **Kendall Stone (Reimer)**, this time with her brother **Ellis Reimer**, and her cousin **David Reimer** on box drum . Kendall delighted us earlier this summer leading worship alongside her mother and husband's best friend, and we look forward to an acoustic service this morning. Kendall has been singing and performing for many years and has a big heart for worship. It clearly runs in the family!

Kendall's EP is available in the church foyer after the service.

“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community”

Niagara United Mennonite Church

September 2nd, 2018

“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.

Our Lighthouse program, which is a time of fellowship and learning for those aged 4 years to Grade 8 is held each Sunday during the Worship Service September through June.

Worship Service – 10:00 a.m.

Prelude	EP/Music by Kendall Reimer & Group
Congregational Life	Linda Friesen
Worship in Song	Kendall Reimer & Group
Offering	

Offering Focus – see financial section

Scripture Reading	Donna Froese
	(Luke 14:25-33)

“The Cost of Discipleship”	Pastor Waldo Pauls
Sending	Pastor Waldo Pauls

JOYS & CONCERNS:

The flowers are in memory of Harry Janzen who passed away exactly 10 years ago today. Fondly remembered by his children Peter and Erika, Sigrid and Albert, Esther and Erv.

Please continue to pray for: Audrey Epp, Jake Friesen, Susan Kaye, Hank Pauls, Irene Penner, Justine Reimer, and David Steingart, as well as others who may need our prayers. Let us continuously look to our friends, neighbours and community members, remembering to pray for those around us as well.

WITHIN NIAGARA UM CHURCH:

Thank You!!

A big THANK YOU to all the incredible volunteers who made this summer's Summer Worship Series possible!

To the members of our wonderful Music Committee who work so hard throughout the year and who made the dream of this summer series a reality. Rachael, Ruth and Sue, thank you for all of your work behind the scenes!

To Sue Reimer who has worked tirelessly this summer at making sure our church is up to the proper standards for song reporting out of respect for all the artists who have given their hearts and lives to creating the songs we use in our services.

To our AV crew who have come in early on Sunday mornings and even on Saturday evenings, changed over between German and English service with lightning speed, and adapted to different groups and their respective needs each week this summer.

To our worship leaders for guiding our guests through the order of worship and taking the time to pray over our services.

To the ushers who have opened windows and brought us all water on those super hot Sunday mornings.

To the wonderful people who have stepped forward to host our guest musicians overnight or for lunch, and to each one of you who has taken the time to greet our guests and make them feel welcome!

This worship series would not have been possible without you and I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart! - Jolien Carter

April Michon's last day of service at the church will be September 14th, as she has accepted full time employment elsewhere. We thank April for her service to the congregation, and wish her God's blessing in her future endeavors.

Please note that today is the final day of our summer worship hours. Next Sunday we return to normal worship service times: 9:50 am (German) & 10:45 am.

Ladies Breakfast: All ladies are invited to join together at the Husky Restaurant the coming **Thursday morning, September 6th at 9:00 am** for fellowship over breakfast. All ladies are welcome!

The Sept-Oct issue of The Upper Room has been distributed to the mailboxes of all who are currently subscribing.

The Search Committee has continued to meet over the summer. Our mentor, Dave Brubacher will be away for the month of September and our interim pastor Waldo Pauls has agreed to step in for this time. Currently, we are in conversation with several persons for both the Lead Pastor and the Pastor of Youth and Young Adult Ministries positions. We are hopeful that we will receive two or three MLIs (applications) as a result of these conversations. We trust in the Lord's leading as we continue on and ask for your ongoing prayers for the Search Committee; and for continued prayers for this congregation and for the persons the Holy Spirit is preparing for NUMC.

This year's Safe Places Seminar will run on **Thurs. Sept. 13th from 6-8:30 pm**. Anyone involved in children/youth ministry again this year who did not attend last year, or who are new to volunteering in these ministries are required to attend this seminar as per Church Council's Safe Places Policy (participation is required at least every two years). *This seminar is only offered once this year.* Please ensure you are able to attend! Child care will be available from nursery to school aged, so the whole family can come together! Come for the pizza dinner beforehand, and the children will be cared for while parents are in the seminar!

Welcome Sunday – will be held on **Sunday, September 16**. If you have any friends that you may have wanted to invite to church, but have not had the chance, or your friends have been curious about your church, then this is the day to invite them. We will be having coffee and some snacks in the front foyer before the service. The Service itself will be a visitor-friendly service, with a message that suits those who may be new to church. After the service, there is a meal planned for the front foyer and out into the front lawn. Please bring lawn chairs and picnic blankets. Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks but in the meantime, mark your calendars! We look forward to seeing you there!

Sunday, Sept 16th We are planning lunch in the front foyer and front lawn following the service. The sandwiches and finger foods will be provided. If you would like to bring squares or cookies please make sure they are cut up and ready to eat.

Call out for new Welcome Centre Hosts! This is the time of year when we invite you to consider joining our wonderful team of Welcome Centre Hosts! The role entails serving every couple of weeks with another host to welcome and greet those who come through our doors, familiar faces, and new alike. Current weekly info is emailed each week from the office so all the "need-to-know-info" is provided to offer to anyone who inquires from you. We have some openings on our team coming up this year, so anyone who has an interest in getting involved and has a passion for helping people to feel welcome in this place- this is a perfect time to consider giving this vital ministry a try! Please contact April in the church office by Sept. 5th with questions, or to join the team!

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES:

Lighthouse Registration - Parents, please register your children. We will be offering programs for children in Kindergarten to Grade 8 starting this September. Registration forms are available at the 'Shine On' display in the foyer. For any questions, please contact Emily Fieguth.

Lighthouse - We are looking for helpers for the Lighthouse program. We need individuals to teach lessons, to assist with the music time, to be classroom helpers, and also someone to be the Assistant Lighthouse Coordinator. We'll need a total of 16-20 volunteers to run the program efficiently. Highschool credits are available for many of these positions. See the sign-up board in the foyer for detailed descriptions of all the positions. For any questions, or to discuss please contact Emily Fieguth.

Calling All Youth! We will be having a pool party/fall planning party on **Friday September 14th**. Meet at the Willms's at 7pm, we want to get all the time we can to think about what is up for us this fall.

Calling All Parents of kids from Grade 9 to 12. After the youth get together on the Friday if we could have a meeting on **Sunday September 16th**, prior to church to discuss what is up for those in this age group this fall, even if your kids don't regularly attend youth it would be great if we could see you here.

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Please pray for our graduates & post-secondary students as they embark upon new adventures or continue along in their quest of pursuing higher education:



Kurt Tiessen @Lakehead University - Civil Engineering (4th Year)
Victoria Tiessen @ Mohawk College - Massage Therapy (3rd Year)
Kathryn Wiens @ University of Toronto - PhD in epidemiology (3rd year)



Heartfelt congratulations go out to all of our recent graduates! Praise God for the dedication and wisdom he bestowed upon them through their time of studies. May the Spirit prepare them and guide them as they continue along God's path. May God bless each of these individuals, listed here, and those in our congregation not listed here, who continue on as students, in their studies and pursuit of higher education, providing endurance, direction, and a never-ending passion for learning.

Sermon Notes: _____

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE:

Attend MCC Ontario's AGM The Annual General Meeting is our opportunity to share MCC Ontario's financial outcomes and a snapshot of our strategic plan progress. We encourage you to join us in person for a light supper leading into a time of sharing and attending to the annual business requirements for our organization. The AGM will also be available to view online but voting privileges do not extend to delegates viewing online. **Monday, Sept 24 at 6:00 pm**, MCC's Community Room, 50 Kent Avenue, Kitchener

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA:

MC Canada is pleased to announce that Henry Paetkau has agreed to serve as the Interim Executive Minister. Henry will begin his employment on October 16, 2018 and continue until a permanent Executive Minister is in place. Henry brings with him a diversity of experience which we believe meets the current needs of MC Canada as we continue the transition to new structures. Most recently, Henry served as Area Church Minister for MCEC. Previous to that, he was President of Conrad Grebel University College for eight years and Denominational Minister for MC Canada for three years. Thank you for your ongoing prayers throughout this process.

OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND:

Interested in issues related to generational poverty and neighbourhoods? Looking to learn about life in and around Queenston St.? Westview Christian Fellowship and Westview Centre4Women are looking for board members willing to share their gifts with our small but feisty community. Message Caleb Ratzlaff at convener.westview@gmail.com for more details.

Remembering & Thanksgiving Event - 100 years since the Russian revolution. Featuring historian Aileen Friesen recently in Ukraine, Senator Peter Harder from Ottawa, Special Mass Choir of Choral Music led by John Rempel, Soloist Russell Braun, & much more. Held at St Catharines United Mennonite Church, 335 Linwell Road, St. Catharines. **Saturday, October 13, at 7 pm.** Singers are invited to participate with Choir rehearsals for this event on **Tuesdays Sept. 25th, Oct. 2nd and Oct. 9th at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday Oct. 13th at 4 p.m.** All practices at St. Catharines U.M. Church, 335 Linwell Road.

The Music Man - On **Friday, November 2**, travel by bus to Stratford to see this musical. Call Martha Bartel *by September 10* if you wish to go. 905-468-7029.

MEDA Convention “Business as a Calling 2018: Intersections” Join MEDA for 4 days of inspiration, information and networking in Indianapolis, IN during **November 8-11**. MEDA Convention is an intersection of faith and business where you can explore what it means to be faithful in daily work, to learn how to live out your values in the marketplace. Two sessions are available at no charge: The Saturday morning “MEDA Year in Review” and the Sunday morning session. Both begin at 9:00 a.m. Go to www.medaconvention.org or call 1 (800) 665-7026 for more information.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE (September 3rd – September 9th)

Monday: **LABOUR DAY – OFFICE CLOSED**

Thursday: **7:00 pm** Choir Practice

8:00 pm Al-Anon Meeting

Sunday, September 9th

9:15 am German Choir Practice

9:50 am German Worship Service – Message by Joachim Dau

10:45 am Worship Service – Message by Pastor Waldo Pauls

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

NUMC sermons are available online.

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

Online Filming Privacy Notice – Our sermons are recorded for streaming over the internet, capturing the stage & up to the front third of the pews in the picture that is recorded. We encourage all ages to sit in the front pews of the sanctuary. Thanks for your support.

Offering of August 26th – total & breakdown not available this week- will be included in next week's bulletin

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Offering Focus – Our weekly budget requirement is \$7,654. In addition to your budget commitment, this month we encourage your support of MCC. Donations can be directed to their overall operations (where most are needed), or you can specify specific projects such as food for the hungry, school or other relief kits, Generations at Risk (HIV/AIDS) or disaster relief. Please mark your envelope accordingly. Any church donations not allocated to a specific cause will be directed to our budget.