

*“Called to be Servants of Christ in Our Community”*

**Niagara United Mennonite Church**

April 25, 2010

**Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.**

**Worship in Song ~** Psalm 150  
“Rejoice, the Lord is king!” HWB #288  
Psalm 130  
“My Jesus, I love thee” HWB #522  
“Souls Desire”

**Congregational Life** Linda Friesen  
Offering ~ Budget  
Hymn HWB #96 ~ “We plow the fields and scatter”

**Proclamation**  
Children’s Story Udo Woelke  
“God of Wonders”  
“**I will remember my Creator**” **John Tiessen**  
(Ecclesiastes 11:7-12:8, pew bible pg. 655)

**Sending ~** HWB #544 “When we walk with the Lord”

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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. For children 5 yrs 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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**German Worship Service - 10:00 am**

**Andachtsleiter: - Hans J. Wiens – Gruss:** Psalm 62:2, 3, 12, 13

Orgelspiel: Laury Riediger

Chorlied: “Christ ist auferstanden”

Opfergaben: Budget

Lied: GB#25 “Ich rühme Gottes Wundermacht”

Chorlied: “Wer ist würdig”

**Schriftwort:** 1. Johannes 5:1-4

**Botschaft: “Der Sieg über die Welt”– Joachim Dau**

Lied: GB#214 “Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott”

**Nursery Volunteers** ~ Todd & Julie Dow, Mitchell Glass.

## **WITHIN NIAGARA UM CHURCH:**

**Urgent need** – a young family is moving into a rented house next week and needs a lot of items to get started. Most needed: 1 queen size & 1 twin size mattress, bedding, dressers, end tables, some kitchen items, desk, couch and/or living room chairs, If you can help, please bring these items to the church or please contact the church office.

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Two special events.** In the morning at **10:45 am**, The Toronto Mass Choir will worship through Gospel Music with us in our Worship Service, with guest speaker Rev. Hyacinth Edwards (CWOP) presenting the message. The choir's mission statement is "To create and perform Gospel music which will draw all men into the awesome presence of God". To learn more about them, you can pick up a brief description about their unique ministry at the Welcome Centre. That morning's offering designation will go to the Toronto Mass Choir. In the evening there will be a special concert to welcome the Offshore Workers program at Orchard Park Bible Church led by Newworldson & The Toronto Mass Choir. See the announcement in "In our community & beyond" for more details.

**War of 1812 Bicentennial celebrations-** The Church Council is discussing a request by the War of 1812 Bicentennial committee for our church family to be involved in some way with this community event. As we are "Called to be Servants in our Community", we are looking for creative ways we can be involved that are in keeping with our Anabaptist ways. Some suggestions are offering to be the cleanup crew, or have an event at our church discussing the Mennonites and their role in 1812. If you have comments, suggestion or ideas please send them to the church office so they may be forwarded to the Church Council. Our next meeting when this will be discussed is **Tuesday May, 4<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you in advance.

**Education Committee Meeting** has been changed to **May 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.**

**Springfest May 8<sup>th</sup>:** The Signup Sheets are posted in the foyer. Take a look, put your name down! Items needed for: Silent Auction-gift certificates, new items for home and hobby; Garden Centre-wooden garden ornaments & crafts, cuttings & flowers.

**The fundraiser** for Hannah House "**Change for Life**" begins on Mother's Day (**May 9**). Collect your change from now 'til June 13 and you'll be helping care for teenage moms and their babies. You can pick up your baby bottle in the foyer after Mother's Day service.

**NOTE FROM SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Our Sunday school has been active, that's in part to our great staff and the parents that so diligently bring the kids. Please continue to bring the kids on time to singing, because we are practicing for Mother' Day. Because of our busy and special church services, there will be early pickups on these dates: 10:30 instead of 10:45 a.m., Apr. 18, May 2, May 9, & May 30. Please keep these dates in mind. Thank you.

**Springfest T-shirts & Aprons:** If you still have one at home from previous years, please turn it in to the Springfest room on the second floor, Room 20. Thank you! See you Saturday May 8th.

**MCC Relief Sale** will be taking place in New Hamburg on **Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**. The Pork-on-a-Bun Project is once again looking for your assistance. Donations to cover the project's expenses would be appreciated in the weekly offering. Volunteers to help at the project are also needed. Please contact Peter & Erika Janzen for information or to volunteer. rainbow3@vaxxine.com

**All you cyclists** are invited to join a bike ride adventure for **27 to 28 of June**. We will leave from the church after the Worship Service. We will be tackling the Greater Niagara Circle Route (139 km), spending the night at the half way point. We are telling you this early, because if you are interested in joining us, you will want to start training for it soon. We thought it would be fun to go as a group, enjoying each other's company, God's creation, and some spiritual reflection as we go along. If you bike a couple of times a week and can cover about 35 kms in two hours, you should be fine to do this trip. If you are interested in participating, please speak to Burk or Cheryl Schmidt, or Rudy or Sharon Dirks.

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE Apr. 25-May 1/2010**

<b>Monday:</b>	Young women's bible study	7:00 pm
	Male Choir Practice	7:30 pm
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Prayer Meeting	7:00 pm
	Worship Committee Meeting	7:00 pm
<b>Thursday:</b>	Moms & Tots	9:30 am
	German Choir Practice	7:00 pm
	Choir Practice	8:00 pm
<b>Friday:</b>	Sr. Youth	7:00 pm
	Revelation Bible Study	7:00 pm

**Next Sunday, May 2, 2010**

<b>8:45 am</b>	Praise & Worship Practice
<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Primary &amp; Junior Sunday School Singing</b>
<b>9:45 am</b>	Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Room
<b>10:00 am</b>	Sunday School Classes (age 3 to Grade 8)
	Grade 9 – 12 ~ “The World & Us”
	Catechism Classes (Youth Room)
<b>10:00 am</b>	German Service – Hans H. Dau
<b>10:45 am</b>	Worship Service ~ guest speaker Rev. Hyacinth Edwards and The Toronto Mass Choir.

Nursery Volunteers **May 2:** Matt Bradnam & Michelle Farrell, Elijah Finlay.

<b>Offering April 18, 2010 – \$ 3,942.00</b>			
Budget	2,615.00	Christian Witness	150.00
MCC General	125.00	MCC Africa	10.00
Building Fund	50.00	MDS	817.00
Pork on a Bun	100.00	Balcony	15.00
Refugee Sponsorship	60.00		
<b>Next Week's offering (May 2):</b> Toronto Mass Choir			
<b>Attendance Apr. 18, 2010:</b> Worship Service ~ 249			

**IN OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND:**

**The Tabor Manor** Ladies Auxiliary is holding their Annual Spring Tea and Bake Sale. **May 1<sup>st</sup>, 10:00am – 11:30.** All money raised go directly to the auxiliary to fund projects that help improve the quality of life of our seniors.

**Newworldson & Toronto Mass Choir** will be welcoming our offshore workers with a concert on Sunday, **May 2nd at 7:30 pm** at Orchard Park Church (Hunter Rd, NOTL). We are invited to attend to support our workers. Tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased at our church office no later than **April 26<sup>th</sup>** (905-468-3313). This is a sold out event and tickets will not be available at the door. Proceeds to International Child Care Haiti. For more info please contact Jane Andres at 905-468-0408 or [jandres@niagara.com](mailto:jandres@niagara.com).

**The Canadian Mennonite University Chamber Choir** will be presenting a concert at Bethany Mennonite Church on Saturday, **May 8, 7:00 p.m.** Bethany cordially invites you to come & enjoy this evening of music! Free admission. If there is anyone who would like to host a couple of students overnight May 8-9 (including drop-off at Bethany Sunday morning), please contact Renate Klaassen at 905-468-5277.