



World Upside Down
January 12th, 2020

Prelude Annie Schulz

Welcome Lorraine Sawatzky

Call to Worship

Leader: God of grace and glory,
you call us with your voice of flame
to be your people, faithful and courageous.

People: As your beloved Son
embraced his mission in the waters of baptism,
inspire us with the fire of your Spirit
to join in his transforming work.

All: We ask this in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Prayer

*Hymn *For the healing of the nations* HWB 367 v.1,2,4

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

Offering/Offertory/Prayer

Scripture Reading Isaiah 42:1-9 [OT p.670]

*Hymn *Fairest Lord Jesus* HWB 117 v.1,3,4

Prayers of the People Pastor David

Scripture Reading Matthew 3:13-17 [NT p.3] Diana Lantin

*Song *Jesus, be the center* BB 36

Sermon "IN THE LIGHT OF JESUS" Pastor Doug

*Hymn of Response *See Whose Glory Fills the Skies* On Screen
v.1,2,3

Benediction Pastor Doug

*Sending Hymn *See Whose Glory Fills the Skies* v.4 On Screen

It is good to be together in worship this morning!
The ushers are pleased to help any who need assistance.
Please stay for coffee fellowship after the service.

Focus Group ~ Will not meet today.

OFFERING FOR SUNDAY January 5th, 2020

Budget – \$4,865.00

Attendance – 49

SCRIPTURE READINGS for January 19th, 2020

Isaiah 49:1-7

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Psalms 40:1-11

John 1:29-42

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY 10:00 am Grace Mennonite Women

WEDNESDAY 10:00 am Winter Art with Preschool

THURSDAY 9:00 am Quilting

5:30 pm Soup Supper

SUNDAY 9:30 am Mac Plunkett, Speaker

♪ Women's Chorus Practices ~ Today January 12th, 11:00 am;
Sunday January 19th, 9:00 am; Sunday January 26th, 9:00 am.



Soup Supper on Thursday, January 16th, 5:30 – 7 pm.

Please sign up on the bulletin board if you can bring donations of soup, bread or dessert. Soup Supper donations will be directed to Hospice Niagara.

Annual Reports ~ Please submit via email your annual meeting reports to Ester in the office by **Thursday January 16th**. Contact the office for assistance or if you wish to hand in a hard copy. Annual meeting date is Sunday February 16th at 11:00 am.





MCC News – The Great Winter Warm-up – MCC in 2020 is celebrating 100 years of various forms of assistance and relief to those in need around the world. One event on **Saturday January 18th** is an attempt to collect and distribute 6,500 comforters. ***Please come when and if you are able to participate in this event at Grace from 9:30 am on Saturday. All are welcome, men and women ~ join in comforter knotting.*** Please call Irmgard to confirm. Over the last 100 years MCC has aided thousands of people, possibly including our parents and in-laws. Please see the MCC table for promotion material.

OUTREACH & INSIGHT

Winter Art In A Child's Eye - Great opportunity for some of us as seniors to participate in support of the Preschool Coop program here at Grace! On Wednesday, January 15 at 10 am we will create a winter process art painting with the children. Let Pastor Doug know if you can join in the creative fun, or just show up at Grace by 10 am this Wednesday.

Relearning Community - We all know that church is changing. How do we get young people excited about church? As the historical roots of our churches change, how do we do church? What are new ways to build spiritual community in the face of all this change? How do we find practical steps for something new rather than endless conversations about the topic?

MCEC recently created a tool to help churches explore these sorts of practical steps through a process called *ReLearning Community*. Next Sunday, your mailbox will contain a flyer providing more information and an invitation to attend a special event about *ReLearning Community* on February 29th at Bethany Mennonite Church.

ACROSS THE STREET AND AROUND THE WORLD

Moccasin Talks - a series presented by the DSNB. Tanya Talaga will share Indigenous stories from across Canada and the world, humanizing the legacy of residential schools and colonization and sharing her hope for a more inclusive and equitable future. Talaga is an award-winning journalist and author. Her book 'Seven Fallen Feathers' won the 2018 RBC Taylor Prize. **Monday, January 13th**, 4-6pm, at the Scotiabank Convention Centre in Niagara Falls.

Ecumenical Worship Service for the *2020 Week of Prayer For Christian Unity* at Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria, 67 Church, St. Catharines on Sunday January 19th at 3:00 pm.

Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday ~ January 26th

Niagara Region Evening Celebration & Communion Service

Jesus Christ our Hope; 6 pm at Scott St. MB Church

Special Guest: César García General Secretary, Mennonite World Conference. Please see poster on Community Events bulletin board for more information.

Food & Faith, Mennonites Farming Locally and Globally

2 Events at Conrad Grebel University College

Friday January 31st 7:30 pm and Saturday February 1st 9 am

Please see poster on Community Events bulletin board.



Off-Broadway's Heavenly Hit Musical at

Conrad Grebel University College

February 20 – 23. Please see poster on

Community Events bulletin board.

All proceeds will be used to expand Grebel's kitchen and dining room space. The cast and crew of the show includes alumni, staff, current parents, students, and friends of Grebel.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

... those facing health challenges and those experiencing recent and continued grief.

... the **MCEC Executive Minister search team**. The application process is now closed, and the team begins the important work of discernment. Thank you for your input in emails, conversations and focus groups. Pray for wisdom, courage and clarity.

... **wisdom and discernment as Bock Ki Kim** continues his peace work in South Korea in this next year. After three lectures given to teachers in the Chuncheon school division on conflict transformation and restorative discipline, he's received requests from school principals to do lectures like this in individual schools.

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