



August 11th, 2024 9:30 a.m.

12th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude Annie Schulz

Gathering Thoughts Mac Plunkett

Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us worship the God who made us.

People: Who made the heavens and the earth.

Leader: Come, let us worship the God who forms us.

People: Who guides us into greater holiness.

Leader: Come, let us worship the God who loves us.

People: Who unites us with Him and with each other.

All: Come, let us worship the Lord.

Prayer

Hymn *O come, loud anthems let us sing* HWB #68

Passing of the Peace

Offertory Prayer

Musical Reflection

Prayers of the People Mac Plunkett

Hymn *Precious Lord, take my hand* HWB #575

Scripture Reading Psalm 130 (OT p.573)

Women's Chorus *Take My Life and Let it Be*

Scripture Reading Ephesians 4:25-5:2 (NT p.194)

Meditation "Building Authentic Community" Darrell Winger

Hymn of Response *Help us to help each other* HWB #362

Benediction Darrell Winger

Sending Hymn *God calls us* (words in bulletin)

Postlude

God Calls Us

**God call us to be followers of Christ,
and by the pow'r of the Spirit,
to grow as communities of grace, joy, and peace,
so God's healing and hope flow through us to the world,
so God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.**

It is good to be together in worship this morning!

The ushers are pleased to help any who need assistance.

[Offering plate is available on table at back of sanctuary]

Questions for further reflection after the meditation

1. What stood out for you in the meditation this week? Why?
2. How are you able to "be community" to someone this week through a phone call, email, or visit?

GRACE NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday August 4th ~ Attendance – 42

Sunday, August 18th ~ Speaker: Jan Steven

Scripture Texts: Psalm 111, Ephesians 5:15-20,21-33

The Budget Offering for month of July was \$13,027.44

Cold drinks and cookies ~ Sunday August 25th

Save the date ~ September 1st, 4:00 p.m.

Grace Church Social at Doug & Ester's Farm (3017 8th
Avenue, Jordan)

Watermelon and Rollkuchen, etc. Bring your own lawn chair.

Please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer!

AED/CPR Certification Training at Niagara UM

On Monday, September 16, from 9:30am to 12:30pm, Heart Niagara will be holding an AED/CPR Certification training session at Niagara United Mennonite Church. If you would like to become certified or re-certified, please contact Julie by email or phone: office@redbrickchurch.ca or 905-468- 3313.

Chaplain's Corner

Let us continue to keep in touch with church friends who are not able to attend our Sunday services and who welcome prayers, phone calls, cards, and visits. Their contact information is in Church Directory. These friends include (but are not limited to): Tom B, John B, Erna & Jake B (Ester's parents,) Reg F, Agnes G, Abe H, Francine I, Erika I, Jake H, Hertha J, and Marlene W.

Have I missed anyone? Let me know. Would you like a pastoral care or friendly visit? Let Pastor Darrell or Chaplain Jan know. Our contact information is at back of the bulletin.

ACROSS THE STREET AND AROUND THE WORLD



Soap for Hope ~ MCC urgently needs soap donations for countries where soap is scarce. Both bath soap (85 g or larger, in wrapper) and laundry soap (Fels Naptha, Sunlight, or Zote) are needed. Please donate to meet this crucial need. Donations can be brought to Grace and placed in the box in the church foyer marked Soap Donations, or to the MCC Thrift Shop.

The Mennonite Historical Society of Ontario and the Ontario Heritage Trust will install a commemorative historical plaque at the site of the WW2 Alternative Service (Conscientious Objector) Camp at Montreal River, just north of Sault Ste Marie, Ontario. All are invited to the official unveiling of the plaque on Thursday, September 26 at 4:00 pm at Conrad Grebel University College. September 27, the MHSO has arranged for two buses to go from Waterloo to Montreal River for the installation of the plaque on September 28. Overnight accommodation has been reserved for bus participants for Friday, September 27 so they can take part in the Plaque installation the next day at the Montreal River site. The buses will then return to Waterloo. For further details, and to reserve a spot on this trip (accommodation deadline is August 27), go to <https://www.mhso.org/content/montreal-river-alternative-service-camp-bus-trip>

Traditions in Peacemaking: Pathways to Reconciliation - Come hear presentations on peacemaking from Indigenous and Mennonite perspectives, followed by a corn roast. Indigenous teachings by Tim Johnson and Sean Vanderklis, followed by Mennonite reflections from Tom Neufeld. Today starting at 2pm at the First Nations Peace Monument, 2370 Decew Rd. Please bring lawn chairs. Parking is limited, so carpool if possible.

Westview Centre 4 Women has relocated to 17 Gale Crescent. We need to become fully accessible which is a huge expense of approx. \$70,000. Please consider making a donation to us so that together we can continue to help support those who are struggling in our community. Thank you! Cheque – Westview Centre 4 Women PO Box 4021, STN Main, St. Catharines, ON L2R 7S3 Canada Helps – Westview Centre 4 Women / E Transfer wc4w17@gmail.com. Jane LaVacca Executive Director.

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father who art in heaven.
Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory.
For ever and ever. Amen.*

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