



## First Annual Niagara Region Mennonite Worship Service

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 10:30 a.m.**  
**Virgil Sports Grounds, NOTL**

<b>Welcome and Opening Prayer</b>	Daniel Janzen Niagara United Mennonite
<b>Hymns</b>	<i>How Great Thou Art</i> <i>My Jesus I Love Thee</i>
<b>Children's Time</b>	Tim Amor St. Catharines United Mennonite
<b>Song</b>	<i>10,000 Reasons</i>
<b>Corporate Prayer &amp; The Lord's Prayer</b>	Herb Sawatzky Bethany Mennonite
<b>Scripture</b>	Darrell Winger Grace Mennonite
<b>Message</b>	Stephen Reist MCEC Regional Ministry Associate
<b>Hymn</b>	<i>Be Thou My Vision</i>
<b>Blessing</b>	Bounho Phommaseng Lao Christian Fellowship

**Stephen Reist** serves as a Regional Ministry Associate with MCEC, supporting and resourcing pastors. Stephen has served in several congregational settings as well as starting and supporting a community ministry initiative.

**Offering.** We welcome your cash offering or donation today to cover the costs of this service and meal together. Any funds left over after all costs are cared for will be given to the Mennonite Church Eastern Canada (MCEC). We are not able to provide receipts for cash offerings. If you give by cheque, please make it payable to Grace Mennonite Church. Thank you for your generous support.

**We are planning** to sell any food items that may be left over after our picnic.

**Rain location.** If we do need to move due to rain,  
we will be meeting at the Niagara UM Church,  
1775 Niagara Stone Road, Niagara-on-the-Lake.

**Thank you!** We greatly appreciate everyone  
who has worked hard to make this service and picnic possible!  
Thank you! It is good to worship and fellowship together  
and we are grateful to you for coming today  
and participating in this event.

### **How Great Thou Art**

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed

*Chorus:*

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee;  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
(repeat)

When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

*Chorus*

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin;

*Chorus*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

*Chorus*

## **My Jesus I Love Thee**

My Jesus I love Thee, I know Thou art mine,  
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign;  
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;  
If ever I love Thee, my Jesus 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou has first loved me,  
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;  
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;  
If ever I love Thee, my Jesus 'tis now.

I will love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,  
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;  
And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow,  
If ever I love Thee, my Jesus 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,  
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;  
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow,  
If ever I love Thee, my Jesus 'tis now.

## **10,000 Reasons**

*Chorus:*

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul, Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning,  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes

*Chorus*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

*Chorus*

And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near, and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

*Chorus*

## Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art.  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word;  
I ever with Thee, and Thou with me, Lord.  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my buckler, my sword for the fight;  
Be Thou my dignity, thou my delight,  
Thou my soul's shelter, Thou my high tower.  
Raise thou me heav'n-ward, O power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;  
Thou my inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, when vict'ry is won  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

## Niagara Cluster MCEC Churches

Bethany Mennonite Church	Virgil, ON
Erie View United Mennonite Church	Port Rowan, ON
Grace Mennonite Church	St. Catharines, ON
Grace New Life Mennonite Church	Stoney Creek, ON
Hamilton Mennonite Church	Hamilton, ON
Lao Christian Fellowship	St. Catharines, ON
Niagara United Mennonite Church	Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON
Rainham Mennonite Church	Selkirk, ON
St. Catharines United Mennonite Church	St. Catharines, ON
The First Mennonite Church	Vineland, ON
The Meeting Place	Dundas, ON
Vineland United Mennonite Church	Vineland, ON
Westview Christian Fellowship	St. Catharines, ON