

WATERLOO NORTH MENNONITE CHURCH

INFORMATION SHEET – Sunday, March 20, 2005

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

Thurs., Mar. 24 - 6:15 pm - Passover Seder Meal

Fri., Mar. 25 - 10:00 am - Good Friday
Communion Service

Mar. 27 - 9:45 am - WL - Len F, Pr. Chip B

Apr. 3 - 8:45 & 11:00 - WL - Lynn B F
Pr - Len F

Apr. 10 - 8:45 & 11:00 - WL - TBA
Pr - Matthew Bailey-Dick

ATTENDANCE: March 13, 2005 8:45 - 93 11:00 - 101

OFFERING REPORT– March 13, 2005

Operating Fund Contributions \$3,700.00

Year to Date \$128,000.00

Designated Funds: \$50.00 Refugee fund.

SCHEDULE FOR EASTER SUNDAY,

March 27, 2005, One Service at 9:45

Pray-er Carol S
(No congregational sharing time. If you have joys or concerns for which you would like prayer, give them to Carol Shantz before Easter Sunday worship service.)

Ushers Kathryn G, Lead, John Marg K, Mike S, Don W

Offering Collectors Isaac B, Laura R
Amanda S, Ben F

Nursery Jeff & Loretta VS

Library Harry H

THIS WEEK AT WNMC

DEADLINE – for announcements to be included in Easter Sunday's Information Sheet is Weds. noon, March 23rd.

MEN'S BREAKFAST – Join us for an informal men's breakfast on Sat., March 26th, 8:30 a.m. at Dearborn Restaurant, 105 Lexington Rd., Waterloo.

HOLY WEEK – a) Thurs., Mar. 24, 6:15 p.m. A Seder (Passover) Service with a simple soup supper. A joyful time of celebrating God's deliverance, which begins our journey through Good Friday and Easter. Children and adults are invited. **SIGN UP TODAY** at the table in the fellowship hall. There is **NO CHARGE**.

b) Fri., Mar. 25, 10 a.m., Good Friday Communion Service.

c) Easter Sunday Worship, Mar. 27, 9:45 a.m. Bring your favourite **Easter Breads** to share during the 11:00 fellowship following worship. No Sunday School.

d) Bring Easter plants to grace our 9:45 worship service. Plants can be 'dropped off' in the fellowship area on Maundy Thursday evening, Good Friday morning, or on Easter Sunday morning in time so they can be arranged at the front of the sanctuary for our Easter celebration.

EASTER CHOIR – Bill M will be directing a choir for Easter Sunday. This is an inclusive event and all are welcome to participate. The choir will be singing Gordon Young's 'Now let us all praise God and sing'. Rehearsal will be 9-9:30 on Easter Sunday morning before the service. Please call Bill M if you would like to participate.

50 +/- GROUP – meets Weds., March 23rd, 10-11:30. Ralph L will talk about burial arrangements that WNMC has with two other churches. He will also reflect on his experience in ministry.

COMING AT WNMC

VENTURE CLUB (Gr. 1-5) – Fri., Apr. 1st, 6:30-8p.m. Gym Night. Location to be announced.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! – On April 16th, the youth will be hosting the annual Spaghetti Supper and Silent Auction. The Silent Auction will begin at 5 p.m. and the dinner served at 5:30 pm. Tickets will be on sale **TODAY** in the Fellowship Hall. If you have items to donate for the Silent Auction, please contact Ben E or Paul F. We would like your donations by Sat., April 9th.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

WNMC REFLECTIONS – The WNMC Reflections committee is looking for submissions on the topic of Spring/Rejuvenation of the Earth. Submissions can range from a few lines to one-page reflections/articles. Please e-mail Karen C with questions or submissions by April 12th.

EXPLORING THE CONFESSION OF FAITH – Anyone interested in participating in conversations to explore the confession of faith please speak to one of the Ministry Team members

THE MENNONITE – Eleven households in WNMC currently subscribe to the Mennonite. Persons not familiar with this magazine are invited to check out copies in our library. Anyone interested in subscribing, call or email Vera by Sunday, March 27th.

FOR RENT – A classy 2-bedroom apartment available at the beginning of May. Contact Dave or Mary Lou K

PRAYER REQUESTS

We hold in prayer:

- Janice H as she is referred to a kidney specialist following a probable diagnosis of kidney disease.
- Lorraine and John P. Lorraine's uncle in Vancouver, the last of her mother's siblings, passed away Monday. Lorraine attended the funeral on Thursday.
- Miriam F father whose health is declining.
- John Goerzen S brother as he struggles with unemployment.
- the ongoing violent conflict in Uganda.
- Jan F on the anniversary of her daughter's death.
- Laura G sister Susan who is experiencing back pain. Also, pray for Laura's friend Muriel.

We give thanks with:

- Paul F & Betty P F as they are expecting their third child in the fall.
- Sue S, who has almost fully recovered.
- Luke G, who is very grateful that his family has reunited in Sudan. He spoke recently by phone with his mother – the first conversation in 14 years. He says there are no words that fully express his gratitude to WNMC for its support.
- Phil Y, who is grateful for his recent successful double hernia surgery.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

PALM SUNDAY PEACE WALK – 4th annual Peace Walk **TODAY**, sponsored by Stirling Ave. Mennonite Church Peace & Justice Group. Meet at 1:15 at Stirling Ave. Church to participate in the walk to Kitchener City Hall and back (approx. 1-1½ hours total). Questions? Contact Matthew Bailey Dick at MCEC (matthew@mcec.on.ca)

ECUMENICAL SERVICE – with Taize songs, **Today**, at 7:30 pm at St. Agatha Catholic Church, St. Agatha (corner of Erb and Notre Dame St.).

ROCKWAY SR CHOIR BENEFIT CONCERT – this **Weds., March 30**, 7:30 pm at Waterloo North Mennonite Church. Admission is free with donations graciously accepted. See bulletin board poster for details.

MENNO SINGERS – and Guelph Chamber Choir present *Sea Symphony* by R. Vaughan-Williams, and *Te Deum* by A. Bruckner at Benton St. Baptist Church, **Fri., Apr. 1st**, 8 p.m. See b. board.

St. Jacobs Church Theatre. Come for an afternoon of light-hearted stories and toe-tapping music in the genre of CBC's Vinyl Café, with musical guests *No Discernible Key*, and Ed Janzen, teller of some tales. Proceeds go to Grebel Student Awards & Scholarships. Tickets available at the door at \$20, with a \$15 charitable receipt.. For info and reservations, call Fred W. Martin (885-0220, x 381).

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS – **Sun., Apr. 3**, 9:45 am, and 11:00 am, Erb St. Mennonite Church celebrates the arrival of the Laotian families they sponsored 25 years ago. A noon potluck dinner will be followed by sharing of stories and memories. Everyone who was a part of the Erb St. sponsoring groups is invited to join this special celebration.

MCC RELIEF SALE – Promotion Dinner, **Mon., Apr. 11th**, 6:30 pm at Bingeman Park Lodge. Guest speakers Dave & Mary Lou K. Tickets at \$15.00 per ticket are available from Tim S on Sundays or the church office during the week. Advance ticket sales only.

WOMEN OF MCEC – women are invited to an Enrichment Day **Sat., Apr. 16**, 10:15am-3:30pm at East Zorra Mennonite Church. See Elsie Flaming for registration forms. See bulletin board poster.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GRADS – Applications for residence at Conrad Grebel University College should be submitted at May 1st. Questions? Contact Ann Snider (885-0220 ext 236).

MCC MEAT CANNING – has received special approval to proceed with our mobile meat canner, in Guelph and Leamington in April. Thank you to everyone who supported this effort. We are exploring alternatives for MCC meat canning in Canada in the future.

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA – is seeking a FT receptionist/admin. assistant for a one-year term to start mid-April. Application deadline Mar. 22nd. Call 1-866-888-6785 and/or send applications to Kirsten Schroeder, by fax (204-831-5675) or regular mail at 600 Shaftesbury Blvd., Winnipeg, MB R3P 0M4.

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THE APRIL FOOL'S CAFÉ – **Sun., Apr. 3**, 3 p.m. at

