



WATERLOO NORTH MENNONITE CHURCH

INFORMATION SHEET – Sunday, March 2, 2008

8:30 a.m. Matins Service, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Regular Worship Service

Upcoming Services

Holy Week Services: March 20, March 21, March 23 (see further info below)

March 23: Communion in Matins Service

ATTENDANCE – Sunday, February 24, 2008 -	Matins Worship	58
	Regular Worship.....	191
Operating Fund Contributions (includes AFT (Automatic Funds Transfer).....		\$10,670
Year to date.....		\$143,000
Designated: \$50 MCC		

Schedule for Sunday, Mar. 9, 10:45 a.m.

Worship Leader	Ruth M
Preacher	Wanda W-M
Congregational Prayer	Peter F
Song Leader.....	Ben J
Pianist	Christopher Y
Library	Marcella M
Nursery	Betty P & Paul F
Offering Collectors	Micah B, Isaac B
.....	Emily M, Craig C-A
Coffee Clean-up.....	Peter P

TODAY

There will be a second congregational discussion today, from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. (for those who were not able to participate last week) regarding the potential hiring of an additional staff minister with responsibility for Christian Education.

THIS WEEK AT WNMC

LET'S PLAY – Mon., Mar 3, 9:30-11:00 am.

COMFORTER PREP – Wed., Mar. 5, 9 am.

FAITH & POLITICAL ACTION MEETING & DESSERT EVENING – Wed., Mar. 5, 7-8:30 pm. at WNMC. This invitation is extended to all –those who attended the Sunday School series and those who did not. What specific issues might call for ongoing political involvement? How might those issues be addressed? For more information contact Ron F, Palmer B or Ralph L.

Ardith is on retreat on Thursday, **March 6th.**

LOGOS – Thurs., Mar. 6, 5:15 – 7:50 pm

YOUTH - Fri. Mar. 7, 11:30 pm. youth meet at church to board bus for Mennonite Disaster Service Trip to Pass Christian, Mississippi for a midnight departure.

MEN'S BREAKFAST – Sat., Mar. 8, 9 pm at Dearborn Restaurant.

PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN: Saturday, **March 8, 4:30-8 pm.** Please bring a main course and either salad or dessert for a potluck supper at 5:30 pm. Everyone is welcome for a very informal social time.

COMING AT WNMC

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST – Sat., Mar. 15, 9 am at Cafe Bon Choix.

JR. YOUTH bowling on Sat., **Mar.15.** Watch for further details.

Date Change! Sew Be It will be on Wed, Mar. 19 (avoiding Good Friday and March break). Bring your projects and enjoy the great fellowship, 6:30 - 9:30pm at the church. Contact Karen M S with any questions.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Maundy Thursday, March 20, 6:30 p.m.
Stations of the Cross, with dramatized depictions of the events of Jesus' final day of life.

Good Friday Service, March 21, 10:00 a.m.
Remembering Jesus' passion through readings, hymns and communion.

Easter Sunday, March 23, Celebrate the Resurrection!
8:30 Matins, 9:45 Second Service, 11:00 Fellowship Time
You are invited to bring flowers for either service (please bring a bit early), and Easter Breads or other seasonal treats (ready to serve, with nut content clearly marked) for the Fellowship Time.

Mark your Calendars: Sat. April 5th, Youth Dessert Night and Silent Auction

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

LIBRARY - The book "Meeting our Multifaith Neighbours" (by Brice Balmer, call number 261.2 Bal) seems to be missing from the church library. If someone has borrowed it without signing it out, please return it to the library. Thank you!

SILENT AUCTION: The youth group is looking for donations for the Silent Auction. If you have something to donate please inform Daniel K or Chip B.

CHURCH DIRECTORY – Please inform Sharon in the church office of any changes to your address, email or phone number by Mar. 7th as the new directory will be printed in March. Please include children's address info. who are away from home.

Ministry Team is bringing to your attention an **opportunity for support** of a special need of a congregational member. A Trust fund has been set up for Rachel F (grand-daughter of Laverne and Elizabeth M) to assist with costs of physiotherapy which are not covered by OHIP. Donations can be made at branches of Canada Trust/TD Bank to account # 6300201, Branch #12452.

THE NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE invites you to write about "Sunday – Observing the Sabbath" reflecting as it affects you personally, in church and business community, etc. Articles, poems, pictures related to this topic will be considered., as well as others about church life. Please have your submissions ready by March 16th. e-mail to Harry H, Erica J, or a hard copy to Ralph L and/or place in WNMC Reflections Newsletter file in the mail cart.

SEARCHING FOR THESPIANS. Actors interested in bringing to life a scene of Jesus' last day of life in the Stations of the Cross drama please contact Mary L or Chip B.

PRAYER ITEMS

We hold in prayer...

- youth as they prepare for their Mennonite Disaster Service Trip to Pass Christian, Mississippi Mar.8-15.
- Francis P as he appears in court on Mon., March 3 in connection with the assault he suffered in 2006.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

MCC Ontario is inviting immediate donations to respond to needs for: relief and reconciliation efforts following election violence in Kenya, emergency supplies for flood victims in Mozambique, and survival necessities for people affected by the blockades in Gaza. Please send donations to 50 Kent Ave. Kitchener ON N2G 3R1 or donate online at www.mcc.org

FIDA (Foundation for International Development Assistance) is hosting its Annual Spring Fundraising Dinner, **March 11th**, 2008, 6:30 p.m. at The Elmira Lion's Hall, 40 South Street, Elmira. Music by the R. J. Kruisselbrink Sisters. Presentation by Sharon Knechtel who just returned from a "Not-so-comfortable-adventure in understanding poverty" tour to Haiti. Tickets are \$20 each. Please see Betsy Wall or call 519-886-9520 by March 4th to reserve your place. All additional donations are tax receiptable.

DIALOGUE AND DINNER: Learn what it means for Mennonites in Paraguay to host World Assembly in 2009 with Special Guests Wilma and Alfred Neufeld on **March 11th** at 5:00 p.m. at Stone Crock Restaurant in St. Jacobs. Question and Answer period following dinner. For more info, help yourself

to a flyer on BB. RSVP to MWC (e-mail raybrubacher@mwc.cmm.org or tel: 519-571-0060)

March Break - WoW (Work on Wednesday) for Kids -Children, from SK - grade 5, are invited to spend the morning at the MCC warehouse in Kitchener on Wed., **Mar. 12**. Activities include packing kits for school children around the world, a learning activity and a snack. Spaces are limited so please call or email ahead of time to ensure availability: jana@mennonitecc.on.ca; 519-745-8458.

PRELUDE TO PARAGUAY 2009 – Sat., **Mar.15**, 7 pm at St. Jacobs Mennonite Church. With special guests Alfred & Wilma Neufeld. See poster on b.b.

MCC – MEAT CANNING FUNDRAISER BREAKFAST - Sat., **Mar. 15**, 8-9 am at Calvary United Church, St. Jacobs. Speaker: Tim Friesen, MCC Akron. See poster on b.b. or call 519-745-8458 for tickets. Advance tickets only.

WOMEN OF MENNONITE CHURCH EASTERN CANADA – Sat., **Apr. 19**, at Vineland United Mennonite Church. Bus transportation is available. Registration forms in your mailslot. See poster on bulletin board re bus transportation.

MEAT CANNER VOLUNTEERS – Elmira Site, Apr. 21-24, 3 shifts/day. See sign up sheet on foyer table or call Earl J. & Joyce Martin 519-664-2528. First Aid people also required call Loel Penner at 519-669-4880 or 519-669-8418.

ANNUAL MCEC CHURCH GATHERING
Come and celebrate MCEC's 20th anniversary as a community of congregations, at the Annual MCEC Church Gathering at United Mennonite Educational Institute in Leamington (ON) on **April 25-26**, 2008.

PARKWOOD MENNONITE HOME Fundraising Dinner – Mon., **May 12**, 6:30 pm at Bingeman Park Marshall Hall. For tickets call 519-653-5719 or see Duane Eby or Carol Shantz. Poster on bulletin board.

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