

FLORADALE MENNONITE CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT SHEET

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LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY

JK – Grade 8 Open House/Registration Days: Community Christian School, Drayton is a place where students are nurtured within a community of faith, love, and excellence. We invite you to come and see for yourself. **Open House/Registration for Junior Kindergarten through Grade 8 are on April 4, and May 2 during the school day (evening by appointment).** Check out the website for more information at www.ccsdrayton.org or call the school at [519-638-2395](tel:519-638-2395). Feel free to visit the school, sit in the classrooms and talk to the principal on those days. Ask about our bursary programs and find out how your first year can be half price. If the above dates do not suit you, call the school and we will gladly make other arrangements. **Now offering a five day JK and SK program!**

March 25 at 3 pm - Inshallah Choir Spring Concert: "Building Peace through Word and Song" will take place at Knox Presbyterian Church in Waterloo. Our special guests will be the Mino Ode Kwewak N'Gamowak Drumming Circle and Inshallah Kids. Free-will offering.

March 25, 3:00pm – Join **Menno Singers** and its artistic director Brandon Leis for 'Come Light and Life Eternal' a concert of a cappella gems from Tallis, Byrd, Allegri, Durufle, Poulenc, Part and more at the Church of St John the Evangelist (23 Water St. N., Kitchener). Tickets are \$20 adults, \$5 children/students, available from choristers, at the door and online at www.mennosingers.com.

March 25, 7:00pm - Living Easter Today, The Call to Grace, Greatness & Glory! is a musical sermon, which will be presented at Gale Presbyterian Church, Elmira with Canada's Singing Priest, The Rev. Mark Curtis. In word, song and spectacular videos, this musical sermon introduces us to a newer understanding of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection for today's discipleship, empowering your faith with a greater desire to love the Lord through joyful and meaningful service to others. Join us for this inspirational celebration which invites us to look beyond Easter as a season and embrace Easter, as a lifetime call to joyful service with His grace, for His greatness and for His glory! Free Will Offering.

March 29 – 2:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Blood Donor Clinic – Lions Hall, 40 South St., Elmira

March 30, 7:30 p.m. – Good Friday - The Grand Philharmonic Choir with the KW Symphony presents: The St John Passion by JS Bach at Centre in the Square Kitchener Tickets at CITS box office [519 578 1570](tel:519-578-1570)

March 30, 2018 - 7:00pm – **Anderson Gospel Sings** once again is promoting a Good Friday concert with special guests from Nashville "Tribute Quartet" as well as "Rescue Junction" at Community Christian Reformed Church 1275 Bleams Rd. Kitchener. See poster on bulletin board for details.

April 4 - : 6:30 p.m. - "Alternative Medicine: A Christian Perspective" at University of Waterloo Quantum Nano Centre room 0101. Do you have questions about alternative medicine? Why is it popular? Is it safe? Should Christians endorse it or avoid it? Come out and hear Dr. Janet Warren (MD, PhD), a Family Physician with extensive clinical experience and a scholar in Christian theology, discuss this contemporary issue.

April 8th at 7:00 p.m. - An evening of music and stories of hope: Generation Rising presents Christian touring band Double Portion at the Rockway Mennonite Church, Kitchener, ON. Featuring the testimony of Pastor Jose from Honduras - who will share how he continues to boldly proclaim God while surviving terrible gang violence. Free admission with a freewill donation. All funds raised will help children in Honduras receive quality Christian education.

April 14, 2018 – 7:30 pm – **Libertas Male Choir presents: "Hands across the Ocean"** at The Drayton Reformed Church, 74 Wellington St. S., Drayton. Director: Martin Mans, Panflute: Liselotte Rokyta, Soloist: Amber Ruthart, Organ/Piano: Andre Knevel. To order tickets online: www.libertasvoices.com or call 905-522-0001. Also tickets at the door. Adults \$20, Youth (ages 10-14) \$10, children under 10 free

April 20 - 21, 2018 - Women of MCEC Annual Spring Enrichment Day Leamington, ON Are you longing for the opportunity to breathe deeply? Do you wonder how to nurture a sense of abundance and space when life often seems overcrowded and fragmented? Join us as pastor and writer April Yamasaki invites us into living with divine creativity.

April 27, 2018 – 7:00 p.m. - "HOLD THE DATE! Menno Youth Singers annual Coffee House and Spring Concert, at Waterloo North Mennonite Church. You'll see our poster soon.

April 30th, 6:30pm - **New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale Promotion Dinner** at Bingeman's Marshall Hall, Guest speaker Sarah Martin Mills, Founder of Growing Hope Farms. Topic: The Story of Growing Hope. Tickets (\$10.00) available from Donna Freeman ([519-669-2334](tel:519-669-2334)) or at www.nhmrs.com and MCC Ontario ([519-745-8458](tel:519-745-8458)). Proceeds to New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMBS

Seminary and Theological Graduate School Virtual Fair: Thursday, March 29, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. EDT. Want to learn more about Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary but can't make it to our Elkhart, Indiana, campus? At

this free online event, you can get answers to your questions about AMBS from faculty, students and Admissions staff. Register today! ambs.edu/visit

CMU

Prospective students and their parents are invited to **CMU Open House** on Mar. 27. Meet faculty, student council, athletics staff, student life staff, and current students. Attend a class or chapel, enjoy free gelato, and learn about the printing press with students from Spy Tower Press. For more information see cmu.ca/campusvisit.

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Employment Opportunity - Supply Teachers and Supply EAs - Community Christian School is looking to add teachers or educational assistants/personal support workers immediately to our supply list. We are a welcoming community with a collaborative staff and great students that will make the time you spend with us in the classroom a joyful experience. If you are interested, send in a resume and statement of faith by email to Raymond Verburg, principal@ccsdrayton.org.

HIDDEN ACRES CAMP

Mennonite Men Retreat - Healthy Masculinity: On Being A Man - June 15-16, 2018 at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp, New Hamburg, ON. In this gathering of men and boys, we will explore how healthy masculinity is better for everyone. Based on who we are as beloved sons of God, we will reconsider the marks of real men and engage our part in building God's peace. See the bulletin board for more details.

MCC

The MCC Meat Canner will be in Elmira during last week of April. If you would like to purchase meat products, order forms are available in the church foyer

MCC Thrift Shops have a new venture in Elmira. On Thursday March 1, the **Re-Purpose Center** opened for business. MCC Thrift Shops all over Ontario will bring their unsold items to be sold in bulk. Check out the MCC website for more information. The new store is in need of volunteers, and shoppers. Come on over to the store (the old Freiburgers building) on Church Street in Elmira, to check out this new venture to raise money for the work of MCC.

MCEC

MCEC Annual Church Gathering - Connected: Striving side by side with one mind - April 27 - 28, 2018 at Redeemer University College, Ancaster, ON

SILVERLAKE MENNONITE CAMP

Registration opens February 1 for Summer 2018 with programming available for campers ages 6-16 years including Mini Camp, Teen Camp, Leadership Programs, Outtrips and much more. Space is limited so be sure to register early. Campership Funds (subsidies) are available. For more information, please visit www.slmc.ca or contact the camp office fun@slmc.ca or 519-422-1401.

Family Camp at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp, **May 18-20, 2018.** Join us for a great weekend of all-inclusive camping with special guests Brian and Julie Moyer Suderman. We provide the food and programming while you enjoy camp as a family! Cost ranges from \$325-\$375 per family. For more information, please visit www.slmc.ca or contact the camp office fun@slmc.ca or 519-422-1401.

Paddle the Grand Annual Fundraiser for Silver Lake Mennonite Camp. Join us Saturday **May 12 at 3 pm** for an easy and fun 1.5 hour excursion down the Grand River from Inverhaugh to the Covered Bridge at West Montrose. BBQ to follow in West Montrose. Participants are encouraged to raise \$500 per canoe and Silver Lake provides all necessary equipment (canoe, paddles and lifejackets). For more information visit www.slmc.ca or call **519-422-1401**.

Volunteering at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp, Sauble Beach. Each week of the summer, Silver Lake uses volunteers to help staff with preparing meals and/or keeping the property and facilities in top notch condition. Lots of great things are happening at Silver Lake so please consider experiencing the magic of camp first-hand this summer as a volunteer. Call **519-422-1401** for more information or visit <http://slmc.ca/camp/volunteers/> to register.

THE MENNONITE STORY

Student Summer Employment Opportunity - The Mennonite Story in St. Jacobs is partnering with Woolwich Township to offer a summer employment opportunity for post-secondary students. The position is called "Culture Coordinator" for Woolwich Township, and will involve work with visitor services, tourism and social media. Time will be split between the Township Offices in Elmira and The Mennonite Story in St. Jacobs. For more information or to apply, contact Raj Sian (Township of Woolwich) at rsian@woolwich.ca. Applications deadline is April 12 2018.

Consider a visit to The Mennonite Story in St. Jacobs. Come as a family, church group, or with visitors this summer. Let The Mennonite Story's multi-media exhibits inspire and inform you. For more information read the information sheet in your mailbox today.