FLORADALE MENNONITE CHURCH
ANNOUNCEMENT SHEET

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LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY cont'd

October 26 - 5 p.m. Join us at House of Friendship's annual *Friendship Dinner* on at a new location - Lot 42 (Kitchener). We will mark 80 years of service in partnership with this community, and share our vision of integrating healthcare into shelter services to improve health outcomes and benefit the entire community. Tickets at www.houseoffriendship.org/friendshipdinner.

October 27 - 2:30 p.m. at Detweiler Meetinghouse, 3445 Roseville Road, Roseville. *Rescue Junction*. This popular Wellesley-area bluegrass group will have you tapping your feet. A freewill offering in support of Meetinghouse operations will be held. Everyone welcome. More information: Laurence Martin, 519-504-4591.

October 27- 4:00 p.m.- **Bach Vespers for Peace:** Spiritus Ensemble presents 'Bach Vespers for Peace' at The Church of St John the Evangelist, 23 Water Street N., Kitchener. Performances of Bach's Cantata 116, 'Prince of Peace, Lord Jesus Christ' and Arvo Part's choral masterpiece, *The Beatitudes*, will be framed by readings and hymns. Soloists are Rebecca McKay, soprano; Daniel Cabena, alto; Bud Roach, tenor; and Richard Hrytzak, baritone. Admission free; donation requested.

October 30 - 7:30 - **A Will is on Everyone's To-Do List:** Some people have not yet put together a proper will. Others have done so, but with the passage of time, an update is needed. We are here to help! Community Christian School in Drayton is hosting an Estate Planning Seminar. Ever wonder who you should choose as a guardian for your young children? Should you be the executor for your spouse's will? These and many other questions will be addressed. Cost? This is sponsored by the Christian School Foundation and Christian Stewardship Services so attendance is complimentary. And, it will feature simply delicious desserts! E-mail office@ccsdrayton.org to confirm your attendance.

November 1-3 - Marriage Encounter weekend at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre in Niagara Falls, ON. The application deadline is October 18, 2019. To register, please visit **http://www.marriageencounterec.com.**

November 8 - The Knights of Columbus invites everyone to a **ST. TERESA OF AVILA SPAGHETTI DINNER** 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. The meal will be served from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased through the Parish Office, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by calling 519-669-3387. Ticket are: Adults $12.00; Children 6-12 years $6.00, Children 5 & under free and a Family of 4 is $25.00. Those who have purchased take-out tickets can pick their meals up at 4:30 p.m. There will be a quilt auction as well. Last chance to purchase tickets is Wednesday, November 6th. All are welcome! Funds raised from the quilt auction will go towards the Building Maintenance Project.

November 9 - 7:30 p.m, - **Trillium Lutheran Church (Waterloo) – Join Menno Singers and artistic director Brandon Leis for their first concert of the year entitled 'Mothering God'**. Choral works by spiritual minimalists celebrating Theoophanic light, featuring works by Arvo Pärt, John Tavener, Knut Nystedt, Henryk Górecki and more. Tickets ($25, $5 student) available at www.mennosingers.com or at the door.

November 16 - The annual **MCC Peace Conference** is an incredible opportunity to learn together. This day-long event will inspire and inform through general sessions, workshops and conversations with messengers of peace. You will hear how a bowl of soup can change the world; how an entrepreneur can be a peacebuilder; how to walk alongside our brothers and sisters experiencing poverty and so much more. Children (aged 4-10) are also invited to become Junior Peacebuilders and create, learn and play together as they explore what a life of peace means for them! Go to mcco.ca/peace-conference for more information and to register.

December 1 - 2:30 p.m. at Detweiler Meetinghouse, 3445 Roseville Road, Roseville. *Lifted Voices* from First Mennonite Church in Kitchener will provide a variety of Christmas music. A freewill offering in support of Meetinghouse operations will be held. Everyone welcome. More information: Laurence Martin, 519-504-4591.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMBS

Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible: Oct. 23–Dec. 10. Join Safwat Marzouk, Ph.D., and Drew Strait, Ph.D., to study pertinent biblical passages and reflect on how these texts form practices of peace and justice today. This online AMBS short course lasts six weeks. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Register by Oct.18 ambs.edu/shortcourses .

CMU

Prospective students, check out the **CMU Open House** on **Oct. 25 from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**. Discover all that CMU has to offer as you explore the campus, meet with faculty, sit in on a class, and more. See cmu.ca/open house for details.

MDS

MDS Needs Volunteers in Scenic Renfrew County to help with the recovery from the 2019 Ottawa River flooding. The work will include rebuilding and repairing to get people back into their homes. Work is expected to go through the fall and possibly winter. Accommodations will be available in La Passe. Please consider this opportunity. To volunteer or for more info contact: Nick Hamm – 905-401-3990 or hammnicholas.mds@outlook.com; Martin Durksen – 904-736-1060 or alana@cogeco.ca; Earl Martin – 519-741-6320 or emartinsandpiper@gmail.com; *Evelyn Peters-Rojas – 1-866-261-1274 or epetersrojas@mds.mennonite.net*.

PiE Fall 2019 Activities:

PiE (Pastors in Exile) is a community based ministry accompanying young adults in Waterloo Region. We also host larger intergenerational community events. Consider joining us for one of our fall groups/events:

Bible Quizzing for Grown Ups: Fundraising Event Sunday, October 20, 6:30-9:30 pm, The Jazz Room
Join us for our second Bible Quiz fundraiser. Get a team together, raise pledges, and then compete! We'll be quizzing on Genesis 1-30 (NRSV). Go to: bit.ly/piequizzing2019.

Grounding Retreat: Discovering our Sacred Gifts in Climate Emergency November 15-17, 2019 at Loyola House, Guelph Facing deep grief and dying ecosystems, we come together to ask God: 'what is emerging' through this ecumenical contemplative prayer retreat hosted by Student Christian Movement and Pastors in Exile. For more information and to register by October 29: www.pastorsinexile.org/grounding

ROCKWAY MENNONITE COLLEGIATE

DISCOVER ROCKWAY NIGHT - Join us on Thursday, November 7th from 7-9pm. This is an opportunity for future parents and students to meet Rockway Mennonite Collegiate's faculty and explore the school's academic program and extra curricular opportunities. We look forward to welcoming you! Register at www.rockway.ca.

SOSA

Single or Single Again will be doing something different this month in the way of a modified scavenger hunt. This will be held on Saturday October 19, meeting at 3:30 pm. You will not need your vehicle, except to arrive at Sobeys parking lot (lower level) Peel St. New Hamburg. From there we will be walking to find hidden bible references. Following this we will be ordering Chinese food & going to 180 Catherine St. to look up the verses & eat. If you would like to attend please let me know (Sandy -519-662-2971) including a contact number for yourself in case we have to move the venue indoors.

WOOLWICH COMMUNITY SERVICE

26th Annual Bowl-a-thon for the prevention of family violence, Saturday October 19, 2019 at the Elmira Bowl, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. See events bulletin board for more information.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

We at First Mennonite Church (FMC) are seeking an **Administrative Assistant** who will support and enhance the vision and mission of the church by providing administrative, clerical and bookkeeping assistance to the pastors and committees of the church. We expect the Administrative Assistant to respect and be supportive of the Mennonite faith and practice. The full job description can be found at firstmennonitekitchener.ca/2019/10/03/job-opportunity/. If interested, please submit your resume to Cath Woolner by email at cathwoolner (at) gmail.com or delivery to Administrative Assistant Recruitment, 800 King St. E., Kitchener, ON N2G 2M6 before October 31st.