

FLORADALE MENNONITE CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT SHEET

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LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY

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.

December 1 - 3:00 p.m. - **Handel's Messiah:** Spiritus Ensemble presents an intimate performance of Handel's seasonal masterpiece with a choir of 18 singers, small orchestra, and maximum seating of 300. Soloists Sheila Dietrich, Jennifer Enns Modolo, Bud Roach and Richard Hrytzak; Kenneth Hull, conductor. At The Church of St John the Evangelist, 23 Water Street North, Kitchener, Tickets available online and at the door (as sales permit).

December 4 – 7:00 p.m. - **Festival Sounds Chorus** at Listowel Mennonite, bringing you *The Joyful Harmonies of Christmas*. \$20 per ticket at the door. A portion of the proceeds will go to Listowel Youth for Christ.

December 5 – 7 p.m. - **Women Empowering Women event** with MEDA's President and CEO, Dr. Dorothy Nyambi. Hear from Dr. Nyambi as she shares about her experience working in international development and why she's passionate about empowering women around the world. Being held at the Community Room at 50 Kent Ave., Kitchener. To RSVP, email Katie West at kwest@meda.org or sign up online, www.meda.org/wew-waterloo

December 6 – 6:00 p.m. - The **ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHRISTMAS DINNER** at 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. Tickets can be purchased through the Parish Office, Mon-Fri. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by calling 519-669-3387 before Dec. 3rd. Adults \$21.00; Children 6-12 years \$10.00 and Children 5 & under are free. There will be a Gift Basket Raffle and 50/50 draw. Our very own local band - No Request - will be providing musical entertainment during and after the Christmas Dinner. Funds raised from this event will go towards the Building Maintenance Project.

December 7 and 8 at 6:00, 6:45 and 7:30 p.m. - **Outdoor Christmas Pageant** at Elmira Pentecostal Assembly, 290 Arthur St. S. Elmira. There are three shows each day. Admission is free.

December 8 - 3:00 p.m., - Trillium Lutheran Church (22 Willow St., Waterloo) – **Join Menno Singers** and artistic director Brandon Leis for our **Christmas Concert entitled 'Haste Ye!'** – Christmas Carols and Anthems celebrating the birth of Christ. The concert features Menno Youth Singers, readings and audience carols. Tickets (\$25, \$5 student) available at www.mennosingers.com or at the door.

December 15 - 3:00 p.m., - Menno Singers is sponsoring its annual **Messiah Sing-a-Long** with orchestra and university student soloists at St Jacobs Mennonite Church (1310 King St. N, St Jacobs) with conductors Brandon Leis and Mark Diller Harder. Bring your score and join your voice part, or come and listen to your favourite choruses. Attendance is by donation with tax receipts available for donations over \$20. www.mennosingers.com.

December 20-22 - An Advent Journey: Marketplace 2019. Take a journey back to the time when Christ was born. Experience the sights, smells and drama as your journey unfolds! **Tours on Friday Dec. 20 7-9pm, Sat. Dec. 21 7-9pm, Sun. Dec. 22 2-4:30pm & 7-8:30pm** at Listowel Mennonite Church (465 Maitland Ave. S, Listowel). Donations accepted. More information at www.lmchurch.ca or by calling 519-291-2350.

December 21 (2:30 p.m.) and December 22 (2:30 p.m.) - St. Jacobs Mennonite Church presents, "The Worst Best Christmas Pageant Ever". A hilarious one-hour Christmas comedy for the whole family, including grandparents! Free refreshments follow. Tickets go on sale Oct 20th at SJMC Office: Phone: 519-664-2268 or Email: administrator@sjmc.on.ca. Child/Youth \$5.00; Adult \$10.00. General Admission Seating. Website: www.sjmc.on.ca. Proceeds to Woolwich Community Services.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMBS

New Vision issue on "Originating Sins" available. The Fall 2019 issue of *Vision: A Journal for Church and Theology* can now be read for free online. Contributors explore the social and systemic evils of the Doctrine of Discovery's strategies of enslavement, exploitation, extraction, extermination and extinction. press.palni.org/ojs/index.php/vision

CMU

Starting Dec. 1, CMU's **Sunday@CMU Radio Program** will feature a series of reflections by Dr. Paul Doerksen, Associate Professor of Theology and Anabaptist Studies, exploring key dimensions of the Advent Season. Sunday@CMU airs Sunday mornings at 8:30-8:45 AM on CFAM 950 and AM 1250. Programs can be accessed through the CMU website at cmu.ca/sundayatcmu.

Seekers of peace, farmers, engineers, artists, teachers, young and old... consider taking a one-week intensive class through the **Canadian School of Peacebuilding**, Jun. 8-12 and 15-19, 2020. See csop.cmu.ca for more information.

CONRAD GREBEL COLLEGE

MPACS Information Session – The Master of Peace and Conflict Studies program is a dynamic degree that focuses on careers in the field of peacebuilding. The department will be hosting an information session for interested

students on Monday, December 2nd at 5:30PM at Conrad Grebel University College. Dinner provided! Register at uwaterloo.ca/master-peace-conflict-studies/events”

Advent Jazz Vespers – This will be a moment of calm in the busy-ness of December to recall the love of God present in the mystery of Bethlehem's manger. Music, readings and prayer will be offered by a group of local jazz musicians. All are welcome. December 10, at 7:00PM in the Conrad Grebel University College Chapel. Grebel.ca/events

Make-A-Difference-Market is a Conrad Grebel Student Council Peace Society Christmas shopping fundraiser with fair trade and local vendors, a food and bake sale, a silent auction, and live music. Proceeds will be donated to SheCycle; a student initiative developing reusable menstrual, antimicrobial pads for women in developing countries. Join us December 7th, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Conrad Grebel University College. Grebel.ca/events

Nonsense: The Musical! – Conrad Grebel, in partnership with Aha! Productions presents the off-broadway hit musical *Nonsense* as part of the [Fill the Table](#) campaign. All proceeds will be used for expanding the college kitchen and dining room space. February 20-23. \$40 adult, \$20 student. Order tickets at uwaterloo.ca/grebel/nonsense

SILVER LAKE MENNONITE CAMP

2020 Winter Retreats: Visit www.slmc.ca for more detailed information and to register for the following retreats:

- Fathers & Kids Retreat (January 17-19) A weekend for dads and kids to enjoy traditional winter activities while at camp!
- Women's Retreat (February 7-9) Theme: *Let Your Love Sing! Lessons of the Singing Bowl*. Led by pastor and spiritual director Tanya Dyck Steinmann. Enjoy good food, conversations, and fun winter activities!
- Couples Retreat (February 21-23) A weekend away to reconnect, relax and enjoy time outdoors. Led by Hendrike & Matthew Isert Bender.

WOOLWICH COMMUNITY SERVICES GOODWILL PROGRAM

See Sponsor Guidelines on the Missions bulletin board next to the mailboxes, for more information on this program. All donations should be delivered to Woolwich Community Services, 5 Memorial Ave. Elmira by Dec. 6.