

Floradale Mennonite Church

Announcement Sheet

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FMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational updates

- **Prayers for Clare and Bonnie Brubacher** on the passing of Clare's mother, Selina Brubacher in her 102nd year Wednesday at Grand River Hospital.
- **Communion Service:** If you're watching the service Sunday morning, we will have communion as part of the service. If you have bread and juice, please join us!
- **Join us for a Zoom sharing and prayer time after the service on Sunday. It will begin at 11:30am. It's a chance to visit with others, and pray together.**

Jim Loepp Thiessen is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting:

- Topic: Sharing and prayer
- Time: Jan 17, 2021 11:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83799525621?pwd=dHcvOU5GRlJleHloSWIPR2wzSXptZz09>

Meeting ID: 837 9952 5621

Passcode: 442853

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- **Anita will be hosting a Zoom guided prayer group** that will meet weekly during Lent at a time suitable for all participants. If you're interested in joining please call or email Anita by Jan. 22 in time for resources to be ordered. 519-590-3572 anita@floramc.org.
- **Calling for Teams for the Elmira Coldest Night of the Year!** *On February 20, 2021, Elmira has something to celebrate – and so could you!* It's the night Elmira will join thousands of others in 100+ cities across Canada in "The Coldest Night of the Year," a 2 km and 5 km walk-a-thon in support of the hungry, homeless and hurting. This year will certainly look different with the Covid-19 pandemic. However, we are committed to offering this event in the most responsible manner, following all Covid protocols. For more information go to: [Coldest Night of the Year](#)

Opportunities

- **This Sunday's worship is live streamed beginning at 10:30am.** If you have any questions about streaming the service, email office@floramc.org.
- **The church will continue to be closed to the public, however we are keeping office hours Tuesday and Thursday mornings.** Pastors will continue to work from home, so please contact them by email or phone:
Jim: (519) 589-8357 or jim@floramc.org Anita: (519) 590-3572 or anita@floramc.org
- **During this time, offerings** can be sent through the mail to the church or by e-transfer:
 - **By mail:** Floradale Mennonite Church, 22 Florapine Road, Floradale, Ontario N0B 1V0 or if you prefer, mail cheques to Norma Bauman.
 - **By e-transfer** by FMC participants with online banking access and whose address we have on record. Donations by this method are only available to be made toward the general budget at this point and will be deposited directly into Floradale Mennonite Church Inc. Please include your offering number in the memo line to simplify record keeping. Send transfers to offeringfmc@gmail.com. Questions? Contact Norma Bauman at normabauman86@gmail.com (519-616-0809).

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

CANADIAN MENNONITE UNIVERSITY

- **Hybrid Learning:** CMU is returning to hybrid classes at its Shaftesbury campus on Monday, January 25, when students will again have the option to be part of a significant number of courses in-person or virtually. This decision reflects the demonstrated trustworthy commitment of students, staff and faculty to honour one another's safety and well-being, as well as downward COVID-19 trend lines in Winnipeg. CMU will continue to be diligent in attending to all safety protocols appropriate to the pandemic, as well as monitor ongoing any changes in our broader context. We treasure the opportunity to learn together in this way. Full details at media.cmu.ca/nr-january-25-return-to-in-person-hybrid-classes
- **Be part of CMU's next *Virtual Open House*** - take a virtual tour of the CMU campus and connect with Admissions Counsellors, faculty and current students. This Open House, open to all students, parents, teachers and school counsellors, is an excellent way to orient yourself to a CMU university experience. If you are unable to make it at the scheduled time, please sign up as an attendee to receive a recording of the Tour. Wednesday, January 27, 4:00 PM (CST). Register at www.cmu.ca/virtualopenhouse
- ***Through this Place*** is a once-monthly E-Newsletter offering a window inside, outside and all about CMU. Featuring stories of CMU's faculty, students, and alumni as well as the latest CMU news and event information, *Through this Place* is a great way to maintain connection. Sign up at www.cmu.ca/newsletter.

MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE

- The January edition of On the Level is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue we invite all to participate in the MDS Annual Celebration, there's a deeper look at the challenges of scheduling volunteers during a pandemic, and we'll share how the Lancaster, PA unit is collaborating with the community to repair fire damage at a house for homeless families. Click on this link to read more: <https://conta.cc/3sHxeGR>

HIDDEN ACRES SENIORS RETREAT

- **Hidden Acres' Spring Seniors Retreat is going VIRTUAL!** We are excited to have Marian Wiens share with us about the "*Transforming Power of Grief*" on Wednesday, March 10. Please see the poster or visit www.hiddenacres.ca for more details and for information on how to register.
- **Upcoming Events:**
Virtual Seniors Retreat: March 10
Summer Camp: July 5 - September 1