



Sunday, April 23, 2023

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — David Hrynyk

Speaker — Ken Driedger

*With voice and heart we worship God together at NLUMC.
We strive to be a welcoming community who live our faith
in active and practical ways of discipleship and service.*

Order of Worship

Words of welcome

Announcements

Call to worship (Psalm 16)

VT #31, *Come, We That Love*

Scripture reading — Acts 2:14a, 22-32, John 20:19-31, 1 Peter 1:3-9

VT #156, *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

Offering prayer

Special children's story — Daniel and the Lion's Den

Message — What Does it Mean to Believe?

VT #570, *When We Walk with the Lord*

Sharing time and prayer

Sending hymn VT #809, *Sing a New World into Being*

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the worship service.

Church Life . . .

◆ **Faith Exploration/Baptism Class** continues today, Sunday, April 23, at 8:30 am.

◆ **Sunday School News**

Today and Sunday, April 30 during Sunday School time, the children will practice a song with Kim and Janice DiLaudo to sing on Baptism Sunday, May 7.

◆ **Prayer Time, Tuesday, April 25, 9 am.** All are welcome to join with the church staff for prayer time.

◆ **Our Next Community Meal** is on **Wednesday, April 26** at St. John's Anglican Church. We will start at 12 noon. We are planning to serve cookies or squares (nut free) for dessert for the meal. If you are able to donate dessert or volunteer on that day, please contact Debbie Janzen, janzende@gmail.com, Vicki Dick, vicki.dick@gmail.com, or Tammy Warkentin, tamwark@gmail.com .

◆ **Care-giving Team Meeting, Thursday, April 27**, 7 pm at the church.

◆ **Next Sunday, April 30**, join us for worship as UMEI and Chani Wiens bring the worship service to us.

◆ **Sunday, May 7, Baptism and Communion** at NLUMC.

◆ **Community Building Team News**

Let's plan for Pizza Night the **second Friday of each month** at the Roma Club, Leamington. (mark your calendars!) Bring your family - everyone orders and pays for their own pizza and drink. **Friday, May 12** will be the next gathering. Doors open 6 – 10 pm. Come as you are available.

◆ **Learning Community Workshop.** All are invited to a one-day workshop **Saturday, May 13** at the MCEC office, 50 Kent Avenue in Kitchener. There is a registration fee of \$100 however, since our congregation is a past participant of Re-Learning community, we will receive a further discount. Please let Brenda Fischer know if you are planning to attend so we can inform INNOVATE of how many we have attending to determine our discount. We will plan to car-pool from NLUMC. At the workshop we will discover how to imitate Jesus in building a disciple-making culture; listen to stories and teachings; be encouraged to ask questions like "What is God saying to me? and What am I going to do about it?" and be motivated with inspiring practices as to how to be a current day follower of Jesus!

◆ **Selah's Song – Theatre of the Beat**

We are thrilled to announce that the Theatre of the Beat's *Selah's Song* is coming to our town on **Sunday, May 28 at 2 pm** at NLUMC! This heartwarming musical, written by Johnny Wideman with original music by Brian Moyer Suderman and directed by Erin Brandenburg, tells the story of a courageous young girl whose song became an anthem for peace. In a world inundated with catchy pro-war propaganda songs, Selah inspires her village by sharing her own music, creating competition for the King. Selah's Song is a must-see performance for all ages, filled with catchy tunes and meaningful messages. Don't miss this opportunity to experience the transformative power of theatre! Learn more about the show at www.theatreofthebeat.ca

◆ Education Team News

We are looking for a few people to serve in Sunday School once a month this spring! Whether your gift is in teaching, games, crafts, or even just in assisting the main teacher, we all have different strengths that we can use to serve God. If this interests you, please contact David Hrynyk at youthleader@nlumc.com. You can sign up to help with Sunday School here on this google document.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1etLEIQTk81-8Ob9GEZ29R3Sam3JpcePX1AcYOSarrvs/edit>

◆ Donations to NLUMC

▶ Have you considered increasing your automatic transfer donation amount?
▶ Your donations to NLUMC can also be offered through Abundance Canada if your family is setting up a Gifting Fund through charitable stocks and bonds in-kind. Visit <https://abundance.ca>

▶ Donations are accepted by:

- 1) Automatic transfers – contact Susan
- 2) E-transfer – email treasurer@nlumc.com - include member # in message
- 3) Mail donation to church address
- 4) Offering on Sunday morning

Contact Susan Klassen, office@nlumc.com; or Brenda Klassen, treasurer@nlumc.com

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **Soli Deo Gloria Singers** concert “We Are Not Alone” **today** at 3 pm at Leamington United Mennonite Church, 78 Oak Street E, Leamington. Suggested donation of \$15 at the door.

◆ Leamington Mennonite Home News

On **Tuesday, April 25** we will have our Annual Meeting in the Heritage Centre Auditorium located at 31 Pickwick Drive at 7 pm. Anyone interested in the affairs of the Home is invited to attend. Annual reports will be presented, and LMH Voting Members will be voting on several items on the agenda. If you plan to attend the meeting, please contact the LMH front office by phone or email (519-326-6109 or samantha@mennonitehome.ca) by Friday, April 21 to RSVP. The meeting package will be sent out on April 11 and paper copies will be available at the front office. We are looking forward to seeing everyone in person at this meeting!

◆ **County Classic Chorale** presents “Why We Sing” 40th Anniversary concert 1983 – 2023, on **Sunday, April 30**, 3 pm at Faith Mennonite Church, Leamington. Donations accepted in lieu of tickets.

◆ UMEI Christian High School News

▶ **Camp ExploreU** (Grades 3 – 6) July 31 – August 4, 9 am – 3 pm (with early drop off and late pick-up available) This camp has a bit of everything – sports, games, arts & crafts, robotics, drama... the list goes on! Explore your interests and have a ton of fun at Camp ExploreU! <https://umei.ca/camps/>

▶ **Senior Robotics Camp** (Grades 7 & 8) July 31 – August 4, 9 am – 3 pm (with early drop off and late pick-up available) Our Senior Robotics Camp is for students who are passionate about progressing their skills in building and programming robots! Program a robot in LABVIEW (and potentially JavaScript) language, become confident in designing and creating unique robots that serve a function, acquire problem solving skills while diagnosing robotic failures, and have a lot of fun! <https://umei.ca/camps/>

▶ **Junior Robotics Camp** (Grades 4 – 6) July 10 – 14, 9 am – 3 pm (with early drop off and late pick-up available) Our Junior Robotics Camp is for students who are passionate about learning new skills in building and programming robots! Program a robot in LABVIEW language, become confident in designing and creating unique robots that serve a function, acquire problem solving skills while diagnosing robotic failures, and have a lot of fun! <https://umei.ca/camps/>

◆ Silver Lake Mennonite Camp News

▶ **Grand Paddle & Hike Fundraiser 2023:** Join us for SLMC's annual fundraiser! Participants/families can do an activity in their own community or come out to one of the [group hikes/bikes/paddles](#) planned in Kitchener, Waterloo, Elmira and Toronto on the **May 12-14** weekend. To sign up or donate, visit our [Fundraising Site!](#)

▶ **SLMC AGM: May 13** at 11:30 am on Zoom. Visit www.slmc.ca for info.

▶ **Zoom Campfire: April 23** at 7 pm! Join Assistant Director Jonah Thiessen to get a taste of Silver Lake! Come if you are thinking about registering for camp or if you are already signed up. Hear some camp songs, listen to staff and have a chance to ask questions! [Campfire Link](#)

▶ **Spring Work Weekend: April 28-30.** [Click here](#) to sign-up!

▶ **Youth Camp (May 12-14):** A fun-filled weekend for teens to relax and participate in waterfront activities, campfires, games, and more! Youth can come with or without a sponsor. [Click here for Youth Camp Details](#)

▶ **Summer Camp Registration:** Visit the SLMC website for more details about overnight camps, outtrips and day camps. [Camp Info and Registration](#)

◆ Employment Opportunity

UMEI Christian High School invites applications for the full-time position of Administrative Assistant whose responsibilities include general office administration, data entry and working with a variety of people, including staff, parents, students and supporters. If you have strong computer skills, excellent

oral and written communication skills, and good people skills we would love to hear from you! Please submit resumes to Sonya Bedal at principal@umei.ca

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, area churches are remembering **Mount Zion Full Gospel Church**.

Each week MCEC, **Mennonite Church Eastern Canada**, prays for one of our congregations. This week we are praying for **Wilmot Mennonite Church** in New Hamburg, Ontario.

Congratulations to *Abe Driedger* who had his 95th birthday on Friday, April 21.

Connect . . .

- Check out our church website at nlumc.com, including YouTube videos of our past services.
 - Watch our Sunday morning service via YouTube livestream at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCdn1sLuXDZYqHsEyd92k0g/featured>
 - Get updates on our ministries by joining our Facebook group.
 - See photos of what we are doing on our Instagram page.
 - Contact the church office, pastor or Council members for more information.
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Care . . .

If you are aware of any crises needs or visitation needs within our community of faith, please contact the church office or Linda Driedger, Caregiving Team chairperson, 519-733-6130.

Contacts . . .

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