



Sunday, August 27, 2023

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — Lindsey Ecker

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

Call to worship and welcome

VT #162, *The Love of God*

Prayer

Special music — Jesus Loves Me/Oh How He Loves You and Me

Offering with STS #113, *I will stand in the congregation*

Children's story

Message — Peter's Parting Words

Special music — He will Hold me Fast

Communion

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

VT #480, *I Am the Bread of Life*

Sharing and prayer

VT #397, *The Church's One Foundation*

Benediction

Today . . . Potluck Lunch - Farewell for Pastor Ken & Dawne at the UMEI pavilion at 11:30 am. Bring your favourite main dish or salad. (Average family of 4: bring approximately 15 servings; A couple: bring approximately 8 – 10 servings.)

We will provide rollkuchen and watermelon for dessert. (If you require gluten free, please bring your own dessert.) Coffee & water bottles will be available. We encourage you to bring your own travel mug with your beverage. Plates, cutlery and napkins will be provided. Bring tablecloths and lawn chairs if you like. Dependent on whether, we may move the potluck to the church basement.

Church Life . . .

◆ **Next Sunday, September 3.** We will not have worship on this day.

◆ **Prayer Time, Tuesday, August 29, 9 am.** All are welcome to join with the church staff for prayer time.

◆ **Missions Team News**

Last chance for the MCC School Kit Challenge. MCC has challenged local churches to see how many school kits we can make by the **end of August!** You can check out the challenge on the MCC website: [school kit information page](#) and see printed instructions in the church foyer. Here is a list of contents for each kit.

- 4 spiral or perforated-page notebooks (about 21.5 cm x 27 cm) totalling 500–600 pages
- 8 new unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings optional)
- 12 coloured pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large eraser
- 4 new black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 small **all metal** pencil sharpener (one or two holes)

◆ **Community Building Team News.** Pizza Night is the **second Friday of each month** at the Roma Club, Leamington. Bring your family - everyone orders and pays for their own pizza and drink. **Friday, September 8** will be the next gathering. Doors open 6 – 10 pm. Come as you are available.

◆ **Education Sunday, September 10**

Join us for worship at 10 am with Brenda Fischer leading worship and Paul Cornies bringing the message.

◆ **Question ?????** Does anyone know where the NLUMC time capsule is? Please let Susan, in the church office, know of its whereabouts.

◆ **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) Offering on Sunday morning

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

**The church office will be closed Tuesday, September 5
for the Labour Day holiday.**

**We will reopen on Wednesday, September 6
at 9 am with regular office hours, 9 am – 3 pm, Tuesday – Friday.**

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ Leamington Community Hope Centre

On **Friday, September 9** from 1-4 pm, we will be having an **Open House** at our facility (58 Erie Street South, Leamington) for anyone who belongs to a local church in the area. This drop-in event is designed to help people learn about what we are doing at the Centre and share ways that we can partner together to see hope restored in our community! We would love for you and your congregation to attend!

◆ MEDA Event

Join us for an event that brings together the power of community, philanthropy, and innovation. We are thrilled to invite you to a **Networking Social Event** in support of MEDA, taking place at Cured Craft Brewing Co., located at 43 Mill Street W, Leamington, on **Tuesday, September 19**. Time: 6:30-8 pm, FREE event, appetizers will be served. Come learn about MEDA's initiative – the Resilience and Inclusion through Investment for Sustainable Agriculture (RIISA) project in the Philippines. **Register by September 10** at:

<https://www.meda.org/events/>

◆ UMEI Christian High School News

► You are invited to an active event for the whole family, **Saturday, September 23** at Point Pelee National Park! The **7th Annual UMEI Lightning Bolt** consists of a 5k / 10k Walk or Run, a kids' 1k run and a 400m kids' dash. Registration includes free entry into the park, race shirt, awards, and door prizes. Sign up today and invite your friends or consider becoming an event sponsor. <https://umei.ca/lightning-bolt-run-walk/>

► **Save the Date for Homecoming Weekend 2023. September 22-24** will be full of events for the whole family, including team trivia Friday night, the Lightning Bolt Saturday morning, a banquet Saturday evening and an all ages baseball game plus kids activities Sunday afternoon! More details to come.

Junior Youth

► **Friday, September 8: Junior Youth Kickoff!** Join us for a fun time of games and service and snacks! We will be assembling school kits that will be going to MCC, sending school supplies to places where they are needed. 7-8:30 pm at the church.

► **Date Change — Friday, September 22: Mini Golf Night.** We will be heading to On the Water in Tecumseh for some mini golf! More details to come.

► **Friday, September 29:** Converge at UMEI is back! The Junior Youth of LUMC, NLUMC, and FMC will come together for a time of worship and fun! 7-8:30 pm at UMEI.

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, area churches are remembering **South Point Community Church** and their pastor David Bretzlaff.

This summer **MCEC, Mennonite Church Eastern Canada**, encourages us to pray for the churches in our Essex Cluster: Leamington United Mennonite Church, Harrow Mennonite Church, Faith Mennonite Church, Windsor Mennonite Fellowship, and NLUMC.

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 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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Summer office hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9 am – 12 noon.