



Sunday, February 25, 2024

Second Sunday of Lent

Worship Service — 10 am

We welcome UMEI to our service this morning.
Speaker – Chani Wiens

*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 Christ Among Us

Welcome and announcements

VT #332, *In Christ Alone*

Call to worship Ben Recker

Choir.....Go Down Moses!

Greetings from Vice Principal..... Darcy Bults

Choir..... I Exalt Thee

Faith testimony Vivienne Fittler, Grade 10

Children's story Lindsey Ecker

Offering with VT #398, *Thy Word Is a Lamp*

Prayer of confession Jessica Martens

Reflections from Principal.....Sonya Bedal

Choir..... Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me

Faith testimony Abby Krueger, Grad of 2021

Scripture reading — Romans 4:13-25 Delaney Dault

Message — Growing in Faith..... Chani Wiens

VT #456, *Oceans*

Sharing time & prayer

Benediction Ben Recker

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

Church Life . . .

◆ **Third Sunday of Lent, March 3**, join us for worship with Marla Dault leading worship and Chris Hutton bringing the message.

◆ **Check Out Home Church!** Looking for a place to connect with others, have fun, serve others, and experience God outside of Sunday morning? Then feel free to drop in and check out a home church.

All ages are welcome, and you can drop in as you feel able to!

► **Marshwoods Home Church**

22 Marshwoods Blvd, Kingsville, Wednesdays 6:30 — 8 pm

► **Cherokee Home Church**

30 Cherokee Lane, Leamington, Thursdays 6:30 — 8 pm

Contact Chris Hutton if you have questions!

◆ **Our Next Community Meal** is on **Wednesday, February 28** at St. John's Anglican Church. We will start at 12 noon. We are looking for volunteers on that day. Please contact Debbie Janzen, janzendeb@gmail.com, Vicki Dick, vicki.dick@gmail.com, or Tammy Warkentin, tamwark@gmail.com .

◆ **For Your Winter Reading Pleasure.** Come downstairs and browse the shelves of the church library for your winter reading selections. New additions are displayed on the carousel for your convenience. Please sign the bookcard and leave it in the box on the desk. Enjoy your reads!

► *Her Daughter's Dream* by Francine Rivers. Sequel to *Her Mother's Hope*. Explore the relationship between daughters, mothers and grandmothers by following four generations in one family.

► *Tiffany Girl* by Deeanne Gist. In preparation for the 1895 Chicago World's Fair Louis Tiffany designed a stained-glass chapel. A glassworker's strike halts construction and Tiffany turns to the female students of the New York School of applied Design. See how these young ladies rise to the challenge and become the "Tiffany Girls".

► *Who Will be a Witness* by Drew G. I. Hart. Explore the church's role in social change/justice and being a faithful witness to the way of Jesus.

◆ **Change for the Bridge!** Coin by coin we are making a difference! A total of \$750 has been sent to The Bridge! . . . *Thanks from your Missions Team*

◆ **Vacation Bible School. Save the date! July 8-12** is SCUBA VBS together with LUMC. If you are interested in volunteering, let David know.

◆ **Minutes of the January 21 AGM** were emailed on Wednesday, February 21. A limited number of hard copies are available in the foyer.

◆ **Tax Receipts**

2023 NLUMC Tax Receipts **were emailed** on Friday, February 16, 2024. If you do not have an email address on file with the church office, your tax receipt is either in your church mailslot or was mailed out to you by Canada Post on Friday, February 16. If you have any questions, please call Susan in the church office, 519-326-7928.

◆ 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

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **World Day of Prayer, Friday, March 1**, 2 pm at Meadow Brook Church, 219 Talbot Rd. E, Leamington. The theme for the day is “I beg you . . . bear with one another in love.” *Ephesians 4:1-3*

◆ Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News

Friday, March 8: Video presentation: *Those Who Remained during the Stalin Era*. All events at the Heritage Centre at 7 pm. Everyone Welcome. Admission by donation.

◆ UMEI Christian High School News

Volleyball Tournament Fundraiser, Saturday, March 23, beginning at 9 am. This is a co-ed, 6 versus 6, event (with a minimum of two girls per team), and \$450 per team minimum. All athletic abilities are welcome! Pizza lunch will be provided. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place! Email driedge1@gmail.com before March 12 to enter.

◆ Employment Opportunity

The **Leamington Mennonite Home** is seeking qualified candidates for the position of **Chief Financial Officer**. Interested and qualified candidates should submit their application to Human Resources Specialist, Jacquie Turnbull (jacquie@mennonitehome.ca). A full job description for review can be requested by contacting Jacquie Turnbull.

Junior Youth

Jr. Youth Mario Kart Night! Friday, March 1, 6:30-8:30 pm at North Church.

Thought for the Day

In the same way, "Abraham believed God,
and God counted him as righteous because of his faith."

The real children of Abraham, then,
are those who put their faith in God. . . Galatians 3:6-7

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, area churches are remembering **Deer Run Church** and their pastors; Ike Unger, Peter Klassen and Quentin Unger.

Each week **MCEC, Mennonite Church Eastern Canada**, prays for one of our congregations. This week we are praying for **First Among Mennonite Church** in Kitchener, Ontario

To view more information from MCEC go to [News & Events - Mennonite Church Eastern Canada \(mceec.ca\)](http://www.mceec.ca)

Missions — see Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) for giving opportunities, www.mcc.org

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 Pastor Chris, 519-613-1971, at this time.

Contacts . . .

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