



**Sunday, August 25, 2024**

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — Judy Cornies

Speaker — Paul Cornies

*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.*

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## **Order of Worship**

Welcome and announcements

VT #120, *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Call to worship

Blessing of the Senses

Offering with VT #177, *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

Prayer

Storytime

Scripture reading — Job 12:7-10, Exodus 3:1-6

Message — Worshipping God With Nature

VT #145, *Touch the Earth Lightly*

Sharing and prayer

VT #847, *You Shall Go Out with Joy!* (3 times)

Benediction

*Please bring your own coffee  
and join us for fellowship in the foyer after the worship service.*

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## **Church Life . . .**

### **◆ Next Sunday, September 1**

Join us for worship with Joanne Brown leading worship and Chris Hutton bringing the message.

### **◆ We Are Looking for Your Input!**

Check out the link to our survey and let us know what sorts of things you'd like to hear teaching/preaching on at the North Church in 2024!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/26TTSZC>

**◆ Our Next Community Meal** is on **Wednesday, August 28** at St. John's Anglican Church. We will be making meat filled biscuits served with a greenhouse veggie medley. The preparation will be fairly labour intensive and

therefore we hope to have two shifts of volunteers — 9:30 am to 12 noon, and 12 noon to approximately 5 pm. Please let us know if you are able to help out. We are also looking for donations of cookies and Rice Krispie squares for dessert. (No nuts). Please contact Debbie Janzen, [janzendeb@gmail.com](mailto:janzendeb@gmail.com), Vicki Dick, [vicki.dick@gmail.com](mailto:vicki.dick@gmail.com), or Tammy Warkentin, [tamwark@gmail.com](mailto:tamwark@gmail.com).

### ◆ Education Sunday Potluck

Bring yourself, a dish of food to share, some camping chairs, and your own cutlery and plates as we continue celebrating Education Sunday with a potluck meal under the pavilion at UMEI immediately after the service on **Sunday, September 8!** If you can help setting up tables/cleaning the picnic shelter on Sunday morning at 9 am, please contact Barbara Fischer, 519-329-4256.

### ◆ Children's Sunday School

We are looking forward to another great year in Sunday School! If you would like to be a part of it, while teaching God's love to the children, please contact David Hrynyk at [youthleader@nlumc.com](mailto:youthleader@nlumc.com) to volunteer.

### ◆ 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](mailto:treasurer@nlumc.com) - include member # in message
- 3) Offering on Sunday morning

Contact Susan Klassen, [office@nlumc.com](mailto:office@nlumc.com); or Brenda Klassen, [treasurer@nlumc.com](mailto:treasurer@nlumc.com)

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## Community/Conference Events . . .

### ◆ Sing-Along for Peace in Gaza

At this extraordinarily painful time in history, the Anabaptist church has an important message to share. Violence will not create the peace that everyone yearns for in the Middle East.

We invite you as part of the Essex Mennonite cluster churches to get involved at a weekly Sing-Along where we will sing, pray, and learn more about asking for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza and an end to the occupation of Palestine. **We meet at Faith Mennonite Church on Thursdays from 7 – 8 pm.** For those who are comfortable singing hymns and praying in public, there will be an opportunity for you to participate in a public action in Leamington in the near future.

◆ **Wild Church** is a way to worship outdoors with creation. You are invited to a Wild Church Workshop on **Sunday, September 8** at Faith Mennonite Church 269 Sherk Street, Leamington. Learn more with Wendy Janzen, one of the pioneers in the Wild Church movement. She is the Eco-Minister for MCEC and pastor of Burning Bush Wild Church in Kitchener. Outdoor worship at 10:30 am. Tasty lunch. Workshop 1-3 pm – Explore questions such as –What is Wild Church? How is the church inter-connected with the physical place in which we meet? Register by calling Faith Mennonite Church at 519-326-6391 or clicking to register at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com).

### ◆ **Southwestern Ontario Gleaners News**

The annual **Food for All Luncheon** will be held on **Wednesday, September 11** at the Roma Club from 11:30-1:30 pm. Tickets are available through the SWO Gleaners office (519-326-7687) and through their website [www.swogleaners.ca](http://www.swogleaners.ca). This is a community fundraiser with all proceeds going to the work of the SWO Gleaners. The Gleaners dehydrate non-marketable, local produce and make a dried soup mix. This is then distributed through local food banks and international aid agencies. Tickets are \$12 ahead of time or \$15 at the door. Come and enjoy a pasta lunch and support the SWO Gleaners. Donations are welcome, as they hope to raise over \$25,000.

### ◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

▶ **The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Lightning Bolt.** You are invited to an active event for the whole family, **Saturday, September 21** at Point Pelee National Park! Visit <https://raceroster.com/events/2024/88570/8th-annual-umei-lightning-bolt> to register today!

▶ **UMEI Community Players Presents: The Sound of Music - Spring 2025!** We are thrilled to announce that UMEI Community Players is returning with a spectacular production of "The Sound of Music," set to grace the stage in Spring 2025! For additional details on how to participate, please visit our dedicated page on the UMEI website or email Jill Suta at [communityplayers@umei.ca](mailto:communityplayers@umei.ca).

### ◆ **Leamington Mennonite Home News**

Please join us on **Saturday, October 26** for our **Fall Fundraiser** as we enjoy a delicious meal and entertainment by the Great Canadian Dueling Pianos at the Leamington Best Western Plus. All proceeds from the event will go towards our Pickwick Apartment renovation project. Tickets are \$200 each and tables of six, eight, or ten can be purchased at our front office.

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## **Thought for the Day**

In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind.  
Job 12:10

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## Prayer List . . .

**Neighbouring Congregation** — Today, in our cycle of prayer, area churches are remembering **Salvation Army Leamington Community Church** and their pastor Judi Wickens.

Each week MCEC, **Mennonite Church Eastern Canada**, prays for one of our congregations. This week, we are praying for Listowel Mennonite Church in Listowel, 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](http://www.mcc.org)

Our prayers go out to the family of *Dorothy Broom*, mother of *Jim & Erna Broom*, who passed away August 14. A private burial service was held in Rodney on Saturday, August 24.

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## Connect . . .

- Check out our church website at [nlumc.com](http://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.

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## Contacts . . .

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