



Sunday, August 4, 2024

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — David Hrynyk

Speaker — Chris Hutton

*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

Welcome and announcements

Call to worship — Revelation 1:4-6

VT #88, *Praise to the Lord the Almighty* (English, 4 verses)

Children's time

Offering with VT #638, *Love Divine All Loves Excelling*

Scripture reading — Revelation 1:1-8

Message — The Problem of Prophecy

VT #162, *The Love of God*

Sharing and prayer

VT #138, *Christ We Do All Adore Thee*

Benediction

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

Church Life . . .

◆ Next Sunday, August 11

Join us for worship as we continue our Summer Blockbuster Series on the book of Revelation with Chris Hutton bringing the message.

◆ 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, August 9** will be the next gathering. Doors open 6 – 10 pm. Come as you are available.

◆ Church Photo Directory

1. **For those who ordered digital images from IPC.** The email will be from “WeSendit” and you should double check your junk folders. Sometimes the email goes straight to junk. If that is not the case, whoever did not receive their digital images, can contact IPC. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact by email customerservice1@ipcphoto.ca or by phone 1-800-391-5161 ext. 114.
2. **There is one last opportunity to schedule your family to be photographed** in our church on **Saturday, September 7** from 10 am – 3 pm. Some people who indicated they would submit a photo may also wish to take advantage of the opportunity to come onsite here at NLUMC. Please alert other NLUMC family members and friends of this extended opportunity. Contact Jayne Latam - jtlatam@gmail.com now to book your time slot for September 7.

◆ Budget Update

December 1, 2023 – July 31, 2024 (66.6% of year) \$140,282.50 (49.6%) of our \$283,113.97 unified church budget has been donated. Give prayerfully, joyfully and generously as God has given to you.

◆ 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 . . .

◆ 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 will meet at Faith Mennonite Church Tuesday, August 6, and thereafter Thursdays starting August 15.** 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.

As Christians, we are called to be Christ's peace and love in the world, especially for the oppressed. Our well-being is connected to others, even if they are across the world. In our Anabaptist heritage, we have over 500 years of practice at living and working for peace. As we hope and pray for an end to the violence in Gaza, may we look to and draw close to the Prince of Peace that is Jesus who teaches us to love our enemies, and who modelled a life of sacrifice and love that transforms hearts so that peace is not something that is forced from the outside, but grows from within the hearts of changed people. As we gather here in our community, may we be a witness to the transformative love of Christ that heals wounds and restores relationships across the divides of nation, culture, and race.

Come as you are able with your voices, your questions, your prayers!

◆ **Carolinian Wild Church** will meet on **Sunday, August 18** at 4 pm at the John R. Homestead Conservation Area, 915 County Road 50. For more information call Karen at 519-738-2148. Come and worship with creation!

◆ **All are invited to a Saengerfest (Song Festival)** at St. Matthews Lutheran Church, 54 Benton Street, Kitchener on **Sunday, August 25** at 3 pm to commemorate the centenary of the 1920s Mennonite immigration to Ontario from settlements in present-day Russia and Ukraine. Song leader is Mark Diller Harder. For more details, see <https://uwaterloo.ca/grebel/events/saengerfest> Sponsored by The Mennonite Historical Society of Ontario along with the Institute of Anabaptist and Mennonite Studies at Conrad Grebel University College.

◆ **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 about it with Wendy Janzen, one of the pioneers in the Wild Church movement. She is the Eco-Minister for Mennonite Church Eastern Canada 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). Join us in person or online for all or part of the day. The event is possible through a Vital Worship, Vital Preaching Grant from the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, Grand Rapids, Michigan with funds provided by Lilly Endowment Inc.

Thought for the Day

“I am the Alpha and the Omega — the beginning and the end,”
says the Lord God. “I am the one who is, who always was,
and who is still to come — the Almighty One.”

Revelation 1:8

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, area churches are remembering **United Pentecostal Church** and their pastor Andrew Sich.

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

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

Please pray for *George & Agnes Langeman* as they withdraw their membership from NLUMC effective August 26, 2024.

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.

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