



Sunday, September 29, 2024

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — Chani Wiens

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 & announcements

Land Acknowledgement

Opening hymn VT #62, *God Is Here among Us*

Call to worship

Prayer

Children's time

Offering with hymn VT #745, *God, Whose Giving*

Scripture reading — 2 Corinthians 9:1-15

Message — Healthy Habits #3: Keeping the Lights On

Hymn VT #759, *Take My Life, and Let It Be*

Sharing & prayer

Closing hymn VT #437, *The Lord Is My Light*

Land Acknowledgement — We acknowledge that we are gathering on the traditional territory of indigenous peoples. In Leamington, we gather on the traditional, unceded territory of the Caldwell First Nation, and the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations comprised of the Ojibwe, Odawa, Potawatomi and Huron/Wendat peoples. We give thanks to Creator God and to those peoples who have stewarded this land for generations.

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

Church Life . . .

◆ **Next Sunday, October 6.** Join us for worship as we conclude our series on “Healthy Habits” with Joel Epp leading worship and Chris Hutton bringing the message. We will celebrate **Communion** during the morning worship service. The early church combined the celebration of Communion with a program of offering food to the less fortunate. The Missions Team recommends that we follow a similar practice through the donation of grocery cards. Come celebrate Communion and drop off a grocery card for SECC. Donations can also be made at <https://www.secc.on.ca/donate/>

◆ **Ride for Refuge.** SECC is hosting the local Ride for Refuge. Funds raised locally will support SECC's work with refugees settling in our community. This is a walk or bike ride, so come out and join in the fun at Point Pelee, North West Beach on **Saturday, October 5, 10 am.** Sign up to join our team "We the North Church" at this link:

<https://secure.e2rm.com/regV2/regV2.aspx?eventid=388014&langpref=en-CA&IsFacebookConnected=False&locationid=388902>

Please consider participating offsite or by making a donation to the We the North Church team at this link:

<https://secure.e2rm.com/registant/donate.aspx?eventid=388014&teamID=1017976> Hope to see you there! . . . *Missions and Youth Teams*

◆ **Open House.** On **Sunday, October 6** there is an Open House at Fred and Linda Driedger's house at 930 Road 4 East, Kingsville. Seven years ago NLUMC sponsored Hanan, Ibrahim and Rihab to come to Canada from Lebanon. On August 5, 2024 Myrna Al Chweik was born. She was an answer to prayer. The family would like to share their joy with our church community. Everyone is welcome to drop by between 2-5 pm for a greeting and light snack.

. . . *Linda & Fred Driedger*

◆ **Thanksgiving Sunday, October 13.** Join us for worship at 10 am. We are again continuing the tradition of accepting gifts of baked goods, jam, crafts, flowers, fruits and vegetables. Please bring your items to the church foyer on Thanksgiving Sunday and the children will bring them to the front before the service. Following worship, participants are encouraged to choose one of the items on our table of Thanksgiving bounty! Cash donations at the table will be accepted. In addition to this tradition, we welcome donations of non-perishable food items that can be dropped off at the church during business hours or on Sunday morning. All cash and food donations will go to the Salvation Army Food Bank. Children will remain in the worship service.

◆ **Membership Meeting, Sunday, October 13, 2024** at 11:15 (in the church sanctuary after the Thanksgiving Service) to review updated NLUMC bylaws for compliance with ONCA (Ontario Not-for-profit Corporation Act.) This will not be a lengthy meeting however, we require membership approval.

◆ **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 . . .

◆ UMEI Christian High School News

▶ **Fish Fry Fundraising Lunch, Sunday, October 6, 11:30 am – 1 pm.** Enjoy a family-friendly meal of perch, chicken tenders, french fries, baked potatoes, salad, fresh buns, and dessert. Admission is by donation through cash, cheque, or e-transfer to office@umei.ca.

▶ **Grades 4-6 are Invited to Spend Your PA Day at UMEI.** Join us on **Friday, November 15** for an action-packed day of sports, robotics, drama, music, games and more! Programming runs 9:00 - 3:00 but early drop off available at 8:00. Lunch and snack included! Cost is FREE but donations are welcome. Register at umei.ca under the Events tab. Spots are limited!

◆ **What Does a Sermon Do? Simple paths to Preach and Hear the Gospel.** On **Sunday October 6**, learn simple preaching tools to enable listeners to hear the good news. Join us for worship at 10:30 am when Allan Rudy-Froese will preach on the dramatic story of the Golden Calf. If you are preaching in your own congregation in the morning, then join us at noon for lunch and the two-hour afternoon workshop will begin at 1 pm. Bring a photo of your favourite tiny dog! See bulletin board for more info.

◆ Leamington Mennonite Home News

Our **Fall Fundraiser** is coming up on **Saturday, October 26**. We invite you to join us for a great evening of entertainment with the Great Canadian Dueling Pianos as we continue to raise the funds needed to continue the renovations in the Pickwick Apartments. Contact the front office at the Home to reserve your table now, 519-326-6109.

Junior Youth

1. **Saturday, October 5, Ride for Refuge.**
2. **MCEC Junior Youth Event, Sunday, October 20, 1-5 pm at UMEI.**

Senior Youth

1. **Saturday, October 5, Ride for Refuge.**
2. **Bonfire Night, Monday, October 7, 6:30-8:30 pm at the home of Joan & Gerry Willms, 218 Mersea Road 6, Leamington.**

Thought for the Day

You must each decide in your heart how much to give.

And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure.

"For God loves a person who gives cheerfully."

And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others.

2 Corinthians 9:7 & 8

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 **Markham Christian Worship Centre** in Markham, Ontario.

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

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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