



Sunday, November 17, 2024

Heart Songs Sunday

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — Maida Tiessen

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

Announcements

Justice and Peace Candle lighting

VT #29, *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*

Call to worship — VT #20

VT #11, *Mountain of God*

VT #597, *My Lighthouse*

Children's time (The Color Song)

VT #660, *The Lord's My Shepherd*

Offering with VT #163, *Amazing Grace*

Offertory prayer

HWB #593, *O Power of Love*

GB #345, *Was kann es Schönres geben*

My God and I

VT #641, *And I Will Raise You Up*

Sharing time

VT #332, *In Christ Alone*

Benediction

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

Church Life . . .

◆ Next Sunday, November 24

Join us for worship at 10 am on Memorial Sunday with Joanne Brown leading worship and Chris Hutton bringing the message.

◆ Church Council meeting, Tuesday, November 19, 7 pm.

◆ **Senior's Christmas Social, Tuesday, November 26, 2 pm** at NLUMC hosted by the Care Giving Team.

◆ Missions Team News

▶ You will notice a **Community Meal** table is set up in the foyer. A plate will be set on the table whenever \$600 has been donated, with the hope that 12 settings can be set...one for each month. The table is already half set! Any amount of donation is welcome. We realize that there has been a huge increase ...as there have been increases in numbers of guests served, around 250 people per meal. The cost of groceries has increased as well. We continue to provide healthy meals to those in need.

▶ **Keeping Heads Warm! Toques for Kids!** According to Major Judi Wickens at The Salvation Army, the need for winter wear in our community is great. The Missions Team is launching a collection of winter hats, mitts and gloves over the next three weeks. Please leave your donations in the bin.

◆ **Christmas Is Coming** and we need your help. We require two men to take the tree out of the storage area and assemble it, Sunday, November 24 following the worship service or Monday morning, November 25. If you are able to help us, please call Judy Koop, 519-322-8456, or Carol Koop, 519-791-2792, as soon as possible.

◆ Home Church Information

▶ **Road 6 Home Church**, Sundays 11:30 am

625 Mersea Rd. 6, Leamington. Contact: Lindsay Ecker 519-322-8340

▶ **Marshwoods Home Church**, Wednesdays 6:30 pm

22 Marshwoods Blvd., Kingsville, Contact: Mary Krueger 519-322-9620

▶ **Cherokee Home Church**, Thursdays 6:30 pm

30 Cherokee Lane, Leamington, Contact: Chris Hutton 519-613-1971

◆ Budget Update

December 1, 2023 – November 15, 2024 (95.9% of year) \$236,065 (83.4%) 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

— Upcoming Event —

Sunday, December 1, First Sunday of Advent

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ Join the Sacred Conversation!

Reclaiming the art of the sermon as a dialogue in Jesus' way. A dialogical preaching workshop led by Rielly McLaren. He is a chaplain, pastor and spiritual director in Windsor, Ontario. Join us on **Sunday, November 17** from 1-3 pm at Faith Mennonite Church, 269 Sherk St. Leamington. Online or via Zoom. Rielly will be modelling this method in worship at 10:30. Lunch available. Join us as you are able. Register by calling 519-990-2869 or click <https://forms.gle/wvFERZtkpo5yTRF29>. "Dialogical preaching encourages Christ-like discipleship through mutual listening and learning".

◆ Do You Feel Close to God Outside?

Try Wild Church. Worship outdoors with creation and people who are seeking restorative solitude and community. **Sunday November 17**, at 4 pm at Lakeside Park—315 Queen St, Kingsville. Meet at the pavilion by the lake. Bring a chair or a blanket. Dress for the weather. For more information call Ruth at 519-990-2869.

◆ UMEI Christian High School News

▶ Hello Church Family! From **November 4 — 22**, we will be collecting E-waste. We are collaborating with a company called EPRA that recycles E-waste so that it can be reused and not harm the earth. We accept things like TVs, speakers, cell phones, and much more. There is a collection bin at NLUMC and one at UMEI, where you can drop off your e-waste. Please bring

your E-waste to UMEI so that we can reach our goal of 500 pounds by November 22.

▶ **Open House – Wednesday, November 20, 6:30 - 8:30 pm.** All ages are welcome to come and tour the school, meet teachers and students, and see for yourself the difference a UMEI Education makes! Grade 8's can get their application packages and learn more about registration for September 2025. See you there!

▶ **Community Fundraising Meal – Sunday, November 24.** Join us for a delicious lunch of cabbage rolls, roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, salad, and dessert. UMEI relies on the generous support of our community to provide high quality Christian education right here in Leamington, so please share with others!

◆ **Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News**

Travelogues at 7 pm at the Heritage Centre. Everyone welcome by donation.

▶ **Friday, November 22:** *Philippines* by Jim & Mariel Konrad

▶ **Friday, November 29:** *Greece and Crete* by Jim & Lorna Wiebe

▶ **Friday, December 6:** *Ukraine Heritage Cruise 2008* by John Dick

◆ **Southwestern Ontario Gleaners** invites everyone to a Holiday Open House on **Saturday, November 23** from 9 am – 12 noon. Help us kick off the holiday season by learning more about the work of the SWO Gleaners. Enjoy fresh baking and fellowship with other supporters.

We also want to celebrate the work of our volunteers and the record production year of over 5.2 million servings distributed. This event also starts our annual Christmas Campaign, which is a vital fundraiser for the mission of the Gleaners. Please consider the SWO Gleaners in your Christmas giving. Thanks to all our volunteers and supporters!

◆ **Soli Deo Gloria Singers' Christmas Concert**

“Hear the Good News” Sunday, December 1 at 3 pm at Leamington United Mennonite Church, 78 Oak St.E, Suggested Donation: \$20. Everyone welcome.

◆ **Leamington Mennonite Home News**

For many years the Leamington Mennonite Home had an active Ladies Auxiliary Committee. This committee helped raise funds and organized special events for our Home, but the COVID-19 pandemic made it difficult for this committee to remain active. At this time we would invite any persons interested in revitalizing the Auxiliary Committee to call Judy Ferrari at 519-326-6109 ext.229 or email judy@mennonitehome.ca.

◆ Mennonite Central Committee

Choosing a gift for someone can be a challenge, especially at Christmas. Sometimes the task is easier because a list has been made and the only choice is what gift from the list you choose to buy and give. My family started making lists like this a few years ago and it does make the Christmas shopping experience much easier. **The MCC Christmas Giving Guide** allows you to buy a gift for a family in a way that can transform their lives through resources such as clean water, nutritious food or quality education. There are several guides in the church foyer. The guide is also at [Christmas Giving | Mennonite Central Committee](#)

Junior Youth

Gargon Night, Friday, November 22, 6:30-8:30 pm at NLUMC.

Senior Youth

Bible Study & Games, Monday, November 18, 6:30-8:30 pm at NLUMC.

Thought for the Day

He has given me a new song to sing,
a hymn of praise to our God.

Many will see what he has done and be amazed.

They will put their trust in the Lord.

Psalm 40:3

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, area churches are remembering **St. Michael's Roman Catholic Parish** and their pastors; Tom Ferrera and Nelson Cabral.

Each week MCEC, **Mennonite Church Eastern Canada**, prays for one of our congregations. This week, we are praying for **Niagara United Mennonite Church** near Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario.

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

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

Our prayers go out to the family of *Victor Huebert*, husband of *Helen* and father of *Jenny Enns (late Paul) (Eric Griggs)*, *Jodi Huebert (Joerg Lindner)* and *Martha Pena*, who passed away November 11, 2024. The funeral took place on Friday, November 15 at 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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Office hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9 am – 3 pm.