



Sunday, January 19, 2025

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — Joanne Brown

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

Announcements

Words of welcome

Hymn VT #28, *Come, Christians Join to Sing*

Call to worship and opening prayer

Special music — He Will Hold Me Fast

Offering with hymn VT #754, *In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified*

Offertory prayer

Children's time

Special music — Jesus Loves Me/Oh, How He Loves You and Me

Scripture reading — Matthew 5:3-10

Message — Kingdom #2: "Which Kingdom will you serve?"

Hymn VT #412, *My Soul Cries Out*

Sharing and congregational prayer

Hymn VT #809, *Sing a New World into Being*

Benediction

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

Church Life . . .

◆ **Next Sunday, January 26, NLUMC Annual General Meeting,** 10 am. The AGM/Worship Service will be in person only; not livestreamed on YouTube. Report books were emailed out on Friday, January 10. A limited number of hard copies are available in the foyer.

There will be lunch available after the AGM in the church basement. Everyone is invited to stay and enjoy a lunch of Colasanti's chicken, pasta and salad. We would like people to bring cookies or squares for dessert, including leftover Christmas cookies.

◆ 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

◆ 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 . . .

◆ Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News

Travelogue at the Heritage Centre at 7 pm.

Friday, January 31 — “Power of the Past” book launch by Louise Cornies

Everyone welcome. Admission by donation.

◆ UMEI Christian High School News

▶ **The UMEI Community Players is Back!** This February, we’re thrilled to present *The Sound of Music* on the UMEI stage. To make this production shine, you can invest in the future of the arts by donating to help to upgrade our lighting system. Sponsorship levels range from \$250 to \$10,000, with recognition and complimentary tickets for your generosity. Donations of any amount are also welcome! **Act by February 1**, to be included in promotional materials. For more information or to sponsor, contact us at communityplayers@umei.ca. Tickets and show information can be found at umei.ca/communityplayers.

▶ **UMEI Open House, Tuesday, January 28**, 6:30 - 8:30 pm. All are invited to see what the UMEI Difference is all about! Tour the campus, meet teachers, students, and parents, and learn all about how you can thrive in your high school years at UMEI!

▶ **Community Fundraising Lunch, Sunday, February 2**, 11:30 am — 1 pm. Join us for a sit-down lunch. The meal includes delicious Mennonite sausage,

chicken, mashed potatoes, salad, and dessert. Admission is by donation through cash, cheque, or e-transfer to office@umei.ca.

◆ Silver Lake Mennonite Camp

▶ Winter and Spring Retreats registration now open. Go to slmc.ca/retreats for more info.

▶ **Women's Retreat** (Jan 31-Feb 2) – Come, experience the beauty of camp in winter. Be nourished by the relaxed pace, good food and meaningful conversation. Play in the snow, breathe deeply in yoga, cross country ski, go on a snowshoe hike through the woods. Reflection time led by Wendy Janzen.

▶ **Summer Camp:** Registration for overnight camp and day camp opens **February 1** at 8 am. Outtrip registration is already open – sign up before Jan 30 to get \$100 off! Visit slmc.ca/summer-camp for the 2025 schedule.

Junior Youth

Converge, Friday, January 31, 6:30 - 8 pm at UMEI.

Senior Youth

Bible Study & Games, Monday, January 27, 6:30-8:30 at church.

Thought for the Day

“Do everything they say to you,” the Lord replied,
“for they are rejecting me, not you.
They don't want me to be their king any longer.
1 Samuel 8:7

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, we are remembering **Faith Mennonite Church** and their pastor Ruth Boehm. Each week MCEC, **Mennonite Church Eastern Canada**, prays for one of our congregations. This week, MCEC churches are praying for **Pioneer Park Christian Fellowship** in Kitchener, Ontario.

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

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

International Prayer Week is observed January 18 - 25, 2025. Please spend time in prayer for others throughout the world.

Lord, we lift up all who are suffering, especially those who are impacted by war around the world. May the light of Christ truly shine in the darkest corners, and may we all be instruments of God's peace. Surround the displaced with safety, provide strength to caregivers, and inspire leaders to pursue justice and peace. Let your peace take root in every nation, renewing hearts and guiding us toward reconciliation and an end to all violence. Lord, hear our prayers, Amen.

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 crisis 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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Facebook: North Leamington United Mennonite Church

Website: www.northleamington.com Instagram: [wethenorthchurch](https://www.instagram.com/wethenorthchurch)

Office hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9 am – 3 pm.