



**Sunday, June 22, 2025**

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — Sandra Warkentin

Speaker — David Hrynyk

*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**

Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

Lighting of the Peace and Justice candle

Hymn #57, *Holy Spirit, Come with Power*

Call to worship

Children's time

Offering with hymn #590, *I Know Not Why God's Wondrous*

Offertory prayer

Scripture reading — John 14:15-26

Message — Experiencing the Holy Spirit

Special worship music — VT #369, *There's Nothing Worth More*

Sharing and prayer

Hymn #830, *Go, My Children*

Benediction

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

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## **Church Life . . .**

### **◆ Next Sunday, June 29**

► **10 am**, Join us for the beginning of this year's summer series called **Breaking Religion**. Lindsey Ecker will lead worship and Chris will bring the message. The book of Galatians is the earliest document we have in the New Testament, and in this letter, the apostle Paul addresses the challenge of how we live with our rituals, rules, and regulations. Did Jesus come to bring a whole new set of religious rules, or did he come to bring something vastly different and world-changing?

► **Membership Meeting**, immediately following the morning worship service on **Sunday, June 29**. As you may be aware, Ontario’s Not-for-Profit Corporations Act (ONCA) replaced Ontario’s Corporations Act on October 19, 2021, providing existing not-for-profits in Ontario with a transition period to make necessary changes to their governing documents.

As NLUMC’s By-laws were last reviewed and revised on February 7, 2021, these By-laws require updating to comply with ONCA, to reflect current NLUMC practices and to provide future flexibility.

NLUMC’s Articles (previously known as “Letters Patent”), dated 1981, have never been amended and the Articles, not the By-laws, are the appropriate document in which to specify how many Directors/Church Council members NLUMC wishes to have. Accordingly, our Articles require updating to reflect our desired maximum number of Church Council members (fifteen, being our current maximum) and our desired minimum (three, reflective of the minimum specified under ONCA).

Accordingly, the By-law Sub-committee of NLUMC Church Council, in consultation with its legal counsel, Michael Wiens of Sawatzky’s LLP, has prepared the attached By-law No. 1 and Articles of Amendment for Members’ review prior to the upcoming Members meeting, when the following motions will be put to Members for a vote: “That the Members of North Leamington United Mennonite Church approve By-law No. 1 *as drafted*” [or *as amended*, if applicable] and “That the Members of North Leamington United Mennonite Church approve the Articles of Amendment *as drafted*” [or *as amended*, if applicable].

Should you have any questions or comments relating to either document, we encourage you to direct them to Dennis Dick by email to [ddick1706@gmail.com](mailto:ddick1706@gmail.com) in advance of the meeting, so that we may have the opportunity to address them in the meantime and run a more efficient meeting.

*Thank you, Dennis Dick, Vice-chair Church Council*

◆ **Our Next Community Meal** is on **Wednesday, June 25** at St. John's Anglican Church. Preparation will start at 12 noon. We are looking for volunteers on that day. 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) .

## ◆ **VBS is July 7-11**

► Consider helping with VBS this summer! If you might be interested in volunteering, please reach out to David, [youthleader@nlumc.com](mailto:youthleader@nlumc.com)

► To register your child for VBS go to <https://forms.office.com/r/WtWrrP4JQy>

## ◆ CPR - First Aid Certification

- ▶ The church would like to have a current list of names of our participants who are trained in first aid response. If you are certified, please email Susan to inform her of your current status dates.
- ▶ Maybe you have been considering becoming CPR - first aid certified but just haven't made the arrangements. If so, we invite you to forward your name to Susan and we will look into group training sessions if possible.

## ◆ Giving to NLUMC

- ▶ 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 plate on Sunday morning
  - ▶ Your donations help to support the work of our church - both, in our building and in our community!
  - ▶ 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>
  - ▶ Contact Susan Klassen, [office@nlumc.com](mailto:office@nlumc.com); or Joel Epp, [treasurer@nlumc.com](mailto:treasurer@nlumc.com) with any questions.
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## Community/Conference Events . . .

### ◆ Sun Parlour Growing Project

**Watermelon and Rollkuchen lunch fundraiser, today, Sunday, June 22,** 11:30 am – 1 pm at Tiessen Acres, 1316 Mersea Road 1, Leamington. All donations go to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

### ◆ UMEI Christian High School News

- ▶ **Annual Pancake Brunch on Sunday, June 29!** Join us at 11:30 in the UMEI pavilion for a delicious pancake breakfast. Admission is by donation. We hope to see you there!
- ▶ **Summer Camp Registrations are still open!** Register at [umei.ca/camps/](http://umei.ca/camps/) today for one of our exciting summer camps (limited spots are available).
  - **Senior Robotics Camp** (Grades 7 & 8) July 7 – July 11 (*Wait List Only*)
  - **Junior Robotics Camp** (Grades 4 – 6) July 14 – 18 (*Wait List Only*)
  - **Camp ExploreU** (Grades 3 – 6) July 28 – August 1
- ▶ **The 9th Annual Lightning Bolt** You are invited to an active event for the whole family, **Saturday, October 4** at Point Pelee National Park! The UMEI Lightning Bolt consists of a 5k / 10k Walk or Run, a kids' 1k run and a 400m kids' dash. Registration includes free entry into the park, race shirt, awards, and door prizes. Early bird registration deadline ends September 20, visit <https://raceroster.com/events/2025/104350/9th-annual-umei-lightning-bolt> to register today!

## ◆ Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News

**Mennonite Heritage Tour - Pelee Island, Wednesday, July 2.** Join us for a day trip on an air-conditioned coach bus as we tour the island and learn about the impact of Mennonites on Pelee Island and here stories from author and historian Ron Tiessen and others.

## ◆ Singing for Peace

A local group of Mennonite Action & friends will take time for peaceful public action against the occupation of Palestine. We hope for a world where all God's children are free and can receive basic human rights in the way of shelter, water, food, and medical aid. **Saturday, June 21** and **Saturday, July 5** from 2 - 3:30 pm at the corner of Oak and Erie Streets in Leamington (parking lot on Oak Street - east of Erie) For further information contact Joanne Brown, [jclifbrown@gmail.com](mailto:jclifbrown@gmail.com)

◆ **The Soli Deo Singers** under the direction of Anna Zaidman will begin rehearsals on **Monday, September 8** at Leamington United Mennonite Church, 78 Oak St. E. at 7 pm. They invite anyone interested in singing to call 519-324-6779 or 519-326-0257 or email: [ednhelen67@gmail.com](mailto:ednhelen67@gmail.com) or [suzieandrewr@gmail.com](mailto:suzieandrewr@gmail.com). Their fall concert will be held at Leamington United Mennonite Church on November 23 at 3 pm.

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**Junior Youth, Friday, June 27,** End of year pool party at the home of Fred & Linda Driedger, 930 Road 4 East, Kingsville, 6:30 - 8:30 pm.

**Senior Youth, Monday, June 30,** End of year party.

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## Thought for the Day

You are not alone.

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## Prayer List . . .

**Neighbouring Congregation** — Today, in our cycle of prayer, we are remembering **Templo Christiano La Buena Semilla** and their pastor Saul Hernandez.

Each week MCEC, **Mennonite Church Eastern Canada**, prays for one of our congregations. This week, MCEC churches are praying for **Toronto Chinese Mennonite Church** in Toronto, Ontario.

Congratulations to *Daniel & Brittany Amlin* on the birth of their daughter, *Briar Lily Amlin*, born May 24, 2025. Thankful grandparents are *Jeff & Susie Amlin* and *Scott & Lisa Dundas*.

**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](http://www.mcc.org)

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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 crisis 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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