



Sunday, July 6, 2025

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — Paul Cornies

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

Lighting of the Peace and Justice candle

Hymn #7, *Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing*

Call to worship

Children's time

Offering with hymn #605, *My Life Flows On*

Offertory prayer

Scripture reading — Matthew 23:23

Message — Breaking Religion Pt. 2: When Religion Gets in the Way

Hymn #440, *Ask the Complicated Questions*

Sharing and prayer

Hymn #556, *I Bind My Heart This Tide*

Benediction

Church Life . . .

◆ **Next Sunday, July 13, 10 am**, Join us for worship as Chani Wiens leads worship and Chris Hutton continues in this year's summer series *Breaking Religion*.

◆ **Vacation Bible School is July 7-11** at LUMC, 78 Oak Street East, Leamington.

◆ 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, July 11** will be the next gathering. Doors open 6 – 10 pm. Come as you are available.

◆ Canadian Mennonite Subscriptions

All who attend NLUMC may receive a subscription to *Canadian Mennonite*. Subscriptions are paid for collectively through MCEC. To start a new subscription or to change your delivery preferences (to receive print, digital or both), please contact Brenda Klassen, klassenbookkeeping@gmail.com, by July 13.

◆ 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 - 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; or Joel Epp, treasurer@nlumc.com with any questions.

◆ Budget Update

December 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 (58.3% of year) \$136,404.20 (47.9%) of our \$284,846 unified church budget has been donated. Give prayerfully, joyfully and generously as God has given to you.

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ Hope Is An Action

🐦 Mennonite Action KW 🐦 invites us to take part. Aziz Abu Sarah and Maoz Inon are world-renowned **Palestinian and Israeli peace-builders**. After Aziz lost his brother to the IDF and Maoz lost his parents on October 7, both channelled their pain into bringing a just and lasting peace for all people in Palestine-Israel. They've given a viral TED Talk, they've met two Popes, and now they're coming to Kitchener-Waterloo! **Hosted by Mennonite Action, join us at Rockway Mennonite Church July 11-13 for the *Hope is an Action* peace-building retreat with Aziz and Maoz.** If you can't join us for

the whole weekend, join us for their **public talk Friday, July 11** (also at Rockway MC). Doors open at 7 pm, event begins at 7:30. Register at HopeIsAnAction.weebly.com

If you're able, please consider helping us cover the costs of flying and hosting them here: HopeIsAnAction.weebly.com/donate Thanks to each person, for your witness to peace in a broken world!

◆ **Silver Lake Mennonite Camp**

► **Summer Camp:** It's not too late to consider overnight or day camp for your child! There are still spots in a variety of great camps! Visit slmc.ca/summer-camp to have a look at the 2025 schedule and program descriptions. Please spread the word and help us fill Sports/Specialty Camps, CILT 1B and the Bronze Cross/Medallion Lifesaving Course!

► **Men's Retreat (September 12-14):** Registration is open for the fall Men's Retreat. Join us for a time of rest, amazing food and connection. David Lobe is returning as chef/sommelier and Mike Schmidt will lead some thought-provoking reflections. Special discount for those under 30 or underemployed. Click here for more details... slmc.ca/retreats

◆ **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 or suzieandrewr@gmail.com. Their Fall concert will be held at LUMC on November 23 at 3 pm.

◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

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!

◆ **Employment Opportunity**

Hiring this Fall: Silver Lake Mennonite Camp is seeking our next two Assistant Directors to support all seasons of camp life (outdoor ed, retreats, summer camp). Find the job description at slmc.ca/staff for these FT Sept-Aug positions. Share widely with gifted, responsible, passionate individuals, who can apply by **July 15**.

Thought for the Day

“What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are careful to tithe even the tiniest income from your herb gardens, but you ignore the more important aspects of the law—justice, mercy, and faith. You should tithe, yes, but do not neglect the more important things.”
Matthew 23:23

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, we are remembering **Unitarian Universalist Church of Olinda** and their lay leaders.

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

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.

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