



**Sunday, August 24, 2025**

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — Brenda Fischer

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.*

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## **Order of Worship**

### **Man of Steel, People of Spirit**

Welcome and announcements

Hymn VT #1, *Summoned by the God Who Made Us*

Lighting of the Justice and Peace Candle

Call to worship and prayer

Children's feature

Offering with hymn VT #715, *Longing for Light*

Scripture reading — 1 John 4:1-19

Message — Man of Steel, People of Spirit

Hymn VT #365, *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High* (sing 3x)

Sharing and prayer

Hymn VT #839, *Go, My Friends, in Peace* (B)

Sending prayer

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## **Church Life . . .**

♦ **Next Sunday, August 31, 10 am**, Join us for worship as Sandra Warkentin leads worship and Chris Hutton brings the message.

♦ **Our Next Community Meal** is on **Wednesday, August 27** at St. John's Anglican Church. We will start at 12 noon. We are looking for volunteers and baked goods (cookies, squares – no nuts) for the dessert 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) .

♦ **NLUMC Potluck Lunch, Sunday, September 7**, at the UMEI Pavilion immediately following the worship service! It's Education Sunday! Let's celebrate this season welcoming the children back to a new year of Sunday School classes! Bring your own picnic basket with tablecloth, plates, cutlery, drinks and One Dish of your creative culinary choosing (enough for

20 people) to share with NLUMC friends! Bring lawn chairs too!

## ◆ CPR - First Aid Certification

**Last Call** — We have received adequate interest so this is last call to show your interest by September 7. We will now make arrangements.

► 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.

## ◆ Missions Team News

► **Change is Good.** The 'Change Is Good' fundraising initiative will be back in September with a 'change' in focus to food security. Funds collected will be sent to SWO Gleaners, a local charitable organization that provides free dehydrated vegetable and fruit mixes for distribution locally, in Canada and around the world. Together, we can make a CHANGE!

► **Intergenerational Community Event: Ride for Refuge and UMEI Lightning Bolt.** Missions Team and Youth Team are inviting everyone, young and old, to a day of fun at Point Pelee National Park on **Saturday, October 4!** Last year we had an intergenerational group of youth and adults ride our bikes in the first annual Ride for Refuge for SECC, a meaningful and fun event to support South Essex Community Council programs for newcomers to our community. Scheduled on **Saturday, October 4**, the same day as the UMEI Lightning Bolt walk/run, why not plan to load up your bikes and join North Church youth and participate in both events! We can gather at the beach after the ride to have our lunch together.

Here are the links to join the North Church Ride for Refuge Team:

<https://secure.e2rm.com/registant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=1034795&langPref=en-CA>

Here is the link to join the UMEI Lightning Bolt Walk/Run:

<https://raceroster.com/events/2025/104350/9th-annual-umei-lightning-bolt>

► Also coming up for the **month of October, S'october and Undie Sunday** with our collection of socks and undies going to the Leamington Community Hope Centre and The Bridge.

► We will also continue our Thanksgiving tradition of the harvest bounty table on **Thanksgiving Sunday, October 12.**

► A hardworking crew of volunteers continues to plan and prepare **Community Meals each month** at St. John's Anglican Church. 250 tasty meals and desserts are delivered to folks in need in the Leamington/Kingsville area each month.

► Do you have an idea or suggestion for Missions Team? If so, let any one of us know. Our team includes Debbie Janzen, Judy Cornies, Barbara Martens, Fred Driedger, Sandra Warkentin and Joanne Brown. . . *Missions Team*

### ◆ 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 . . .

◆ **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 LUMC on November 23 at 3 pm.

### ◆ Silver Lake Mennonite Camp ([slmc.ca](http://slmc.ca))

- **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 with a mouthwatering menu already planned! Pastor Thomas Reimer and Mike Schmidt will lead some thought-provoking reflections. Take part in your choice of camp activities... sauna, basketball, fishing, sailing, canoeing and campfires! Special discount for those under 30 or underemployed. Click here for more details... [slmc.ca/retreats](http://slmc.ca/retreats)
- **Camp Rentals:** The weekends of **November 21-23** and **November 28-30** are currently available for rental. Perfect setting and facilities for a church/youth retreat or family reunion! For more info visit [slmc.ca/retreats/group-rentals](http://slmc.ca/retreats/group-rentals)

◆ **UMEI Community Players** is holding auditions for *The Wizard of Oz* on **Saturday, September 20**, with callbacks on Sunday, September 21. We are looking for performers of all ages and experience levels to join us on stage for this beloved musical! Visit

[umei.ca/communityplayers](http://umei.ca/communityplayers) for more details and fill out the audition form or email us at [communityplayers@umei.ca](mailto:communityplayers@umei.ca).

◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

**The 9<sup>th</sup> 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!

◆ **Leamington Mennonite Home News**

**A Diamond Evening...**The Leamington Mennonite Home is celebrating 60 years this year; we hope that you will join us **Saturday, November 8** at Mastronardi Estate Winery to celebrate with the community! Visit <https://www.mennonitehome.ca/> for event details or call LMH directly, 519-326-6109 ext. 235

◆ **The Salvation Army** is looking for volunteers to help with their Christmas Kettle Drive starting November 14 to December 24. Kettles will be provided at different locations throughout Leamington and Kingsville. Each shift is two hours long and they run from 10 am to 8 pm each day Monday to Saturday. This is a wonderful way for individuals and families to give back to their community and help those in need. If you wish to volunteer or require more information, please contact Veronica Costa, Volunteer Coordinator, at 519-326-4901 or 519-999-2108 or by email at [Veronica.Costa@salvationarmy.ca](mailto:Veronica.Costa@salvationarmy.ca)

◆ **Employment Opportunity**

**Leamington Mennonite Home, Part-Time Activity Helper.** This part-time social-recreational position includes portering to activities, meal assistance, snack deliveries and companionship. Candidates should enjoy working with seniors. Shifts include weekend (days and evenings) and early evening activities (3 hour shift) as well as some 7.5 hour day shifts during the week. Part-time hours: 12-20 per week

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**Thought for the Day**

Furthermore, we have seen with our own eyes  
and now testify that the Father sent his Son  
to be the Savior of the world.

1 John 4:14

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# Prayer List . . .

**Neighbouring Congregation** — Today, in our cycle of prayer, we are remembering **Hillman United Church** and their lay leadership.

Each week MCEC, **Mennonite Church Eastern Canada**, prays for one of our congregations. This week, MCEC churches are praying for **Victory Christ's Ambassadors Church** in Scarborough, Ontario. They are one of the newest MCEC congregations, welcomed this spring.

Our prayers go out to the family of *John Willms*, husband of *Linda* and father of *Judy & Dave Tiessen*, *Gerry & Joan Willms*, and *Cindy & Jim Tenbroeke*, who passed away Thursday, August 21, 2025. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.

**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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