



Sunday, August 31, 2025

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — Sandra Warkentin

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

Welcome and announcements

Lighting of Peace & Justice candle

VT #10, *Here in This Place*

Call to worship

Children's time

Offering with VT #549, *Be Thou My Vision*

Offertory prayer

Scripture reading — Matthew 4:1-11

Message — The Villain Within

VT #808, *Between Darkness and Light*

Sharing and prayer

VT #832, *The Lord Lift You Up*

Benediction

Church Life . . .

◆ **Next Sunday, September 7, 10 am**, Join us for worship on Education Sunday! Brenda Fischer will lead worship and Chris Hutton brings the message. **NLUMC Potluck Lunch**, at the UMEI Pavilion immediately following the worship service! 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 - 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.

The church office will be closed

Tuesday, September 2

for the Labour Day Holiday.

We will reopen on Wednesday, September 3 at 9 am.

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **Annual Food for All Community Luncheon** in support of the Southwestern Ontario Gleaners will be held on **Wednesday, September 17** from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm at the Roma Club. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door for a delicious pasta lunch. Tickets can be purchased through the SWO Gleaner's office, by e-transfer (swogleaners@gmail.com), or through the website (www.swogleaners.ca). Money raised will go toward ongoing maintenance, new equipment and other upgrades to the facility. We appreciate your support and hope to see you there!

◆ **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 for more details and fill out the audition form or email us at communityplayers@umei.ca.

◆ 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

Thought for the Day

But God showed his great love for us
by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.
Romans 5:8

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, we are remembering **House of Praise Tabernacle Ministries** and their pastor Wayne Pinnock.

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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