



Sunday, September 6, 2026
10 am

Worship Leader – Judy 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

Welcome and Announcements
Lighting of the Justice and Peace candle
VT #5 All People That on Earth Do Dwell
VT #387 They'll know We Are Christians
Call to Worship
Offering and Prayer
Children's Time
Scripture Reading: Matthew 17:24-27 (NLT)
Message - Glimpses of Matthew: Freed to Love, Not to Harm.
VT #297 You Are Salt for the Earth
Sharing and Prayer
VT #797 We Are People of God's Peace
Benediction

Please bring your own coffee to enjoy on Sunday for the Summer

Church Life . . .

◆ **Next Sunday, September 13**, join us for worship at 10 am when Paul Cornies leads worship and Chris Hutton brings the message.

Immediately after our service on Education Sunday, join us across the street at the UMEI Pavilion for a Potluck Picnic to kick off the new year at church! Bring yourself a camp chair, a dish of food or dessert to share with everyone, and your own dishes to enjoy the meal (this helps to cut down on waste!). There will be lawn games to enjoy, and we'll even have a bouncy castle for our children! Join us for this great chance to have fun as a church and celebrate being together into 2026-2027!

◆ Mission Team

The MDS August edition of *On the Level* is now available.

In this edition, you'll read about MDS volunteers responding in the Niagara region of Ontario, which was hit by three large storms that dumped over 300 millimetres (one foot) of rain on places like St. Catharines, Jordan, Vineland, Camden, Beamsville, and surrounding areas. Read *On the Level*: <https://conta.cc/4x8Iz3x>

◆ Budget Update

December 1, 2025 – August 31, 2026 (75% of year) \$164,586.35 (53%) of our \$309,490 unified church budget has been donated. Give prayerfully, joyfully and generously as God has given to you.

◆ Giving to NLUMC. Donations are accepted by:

- 1) Automatic transfers – contact Gwyneth;
 - 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 Gwyneth Howell, office@nlumc.com; or Joel Epp, treasurer@nlumc.com with any questions.

**The Church office will be closed Tuesday September 8th for labour day
We will reopen on Wednesday at 9am**

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ Southwestern Ontario Gleaners

The Annual Food for All Community Luncheon in support of the SWO Gleaners is happening on Wednesday, Sept. 16th from 11:30-1:30 at the Roma Club. Tickets for the pasta lunch are \$15 in advance (available through the Gleaners' office, or through www.swogleaners.ca) and \$20 at the door. We invite everyone to this event to show support for the work of the SWO Gleaners. Sponsorships/Donations are greatly appreciated for the operating costs of producing dried vegetable soup mix and apple snacks to fight the hunger crisis locally and abroad. Thank you for your support!

◆ Leamington Mennonite Home News

We invite the Leamington Mennonite Home's Supporting Church Congregations to this year's annual event **Nov. 7th**. If you are interested in attending this community event please connect with the home info@mennonitehome.ca <https://www.mennonitehome.ca/lmh-annual-event/>

◆ UMEI Christian High School News

It's that time again, the UMEI Lightning Bolt is back! Join us as we celebrate the 10th Anniversary of this fun, active event for the whole family on **Saturday, September 26th** at Point Pelee National Park. Choose from a 5K or 10K Walk/Run, a 1K Kids' Run, or a 400 m Kids' Dash. Registration includes park admission, a race shirt, awards, and door prizes. The early bird registration deadline is **September 10th**. Register today at: <https://raceroster.com/events/2026/114582/10th-annual-umei-lightning-bolt>

◆ CMU Events

CommonWord Book Event: Join Jodi Spargur and Adrian Jacobs for a discussion around reparations for the church and what it means to live as treaty people in Manitoba and across Canada. **Friday, September 17 at 7:00 PM** (CDT), in person at Marpeck Commons and via livestream. More at <http://commonword.ca/go/4315>.

◆ Salvation Army Leamington

The Salvation Army is looking for volunteers to help with their Christmas Kettle Drive starting November 12 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, Community Services Worker, at 519-326-4901 or 519-999-2108 or by email at Veronica.Costa@salvationarmy.ca

Thought for the Day

“For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don’t use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love.”

Galatians 5:13

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, we are remembering **First Baptist Church** and their pastors Mike Sealy and Jason Peasley.

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 Terri Hamm, Caregiving Team chairperson, terri.lynn.hamm@gmail.com.

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