



Sunday, January 28, 2018

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader: Ingrid Loepf Thiessen

Speaker: Jim Loepf Thiessen

Growing relationships, in Christ.

NLUMC Vision Statement, 2011

Order of Worship

Prelude song, HWB #76, *Praise, I will praise you, Lord*

Opening songs — HWB #580, *My life flows on*, vs. 1,2,4

STS #34, *You are holy*

Call to worship

Children's time

Prayer of confession/lament

Song of lament — STS #70, *For God alone*

Song of blessing and promise — *The Mountain of God*

Message – Prayer Postures

Song of guidance — HWB #581, *Take thou my hand, O Father*, vs. 1&2

HWB #575, *Precious Lord, take my hand*, vs. 1&2

STJ #57, *Your will be done*

Offering with worship music HWB #136, *From the depths of sin*

Sharing time and prayer

Benediction

Closing song — *As you go out from here*

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

Today . . .

— 8:45 am, coffee time.

— 9 to 9:45 am, Join us in Adult Education for “Five ways to Pray” with Pastor Jim. This five week class will be a chance to hear and experiment with creative ways of praying. We will talk about what prayer is, and explore various types of prayer, along with some creative experimentation in prayer.

Next Sunday, February 4

— 8:45 am, coffee time.

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creative ways of praying. We will talk about what prayer is, and explore various types of prayer, along with some creative experimentation in prayer.
— 10 am, Join us for worship as Pastor Jim brings the message “Shifting your Focus.”

Church Life . . .

◆ From Pastor Jim Loepp Thiessen

I'll be in the area Sunday to Wednesday this coming week. You are welcome to email me at: jim@nlumc.com.

◆ Candidating Vote — January 21, 2018

Results of the congregational vote are in! As a result of a 94% affirmative vote, an offer of employment will be extended to Kendall and Charleen Jongejan Harder for a shared one full-time pastoral position.

◆ Quilting, Wednesday, January 31, 1-5 pm. All are welcome to join us for quilting in the church basement.

◆ Faith Exploration Classes will begin **Sunday, February 11, 8:45 am** in the youth room. Contact Pastor Alicia if you would like more information.

◆ Interested in Church Membership?

If you are an adult who would like to find out how to become a member of NLUMC please contact Pastor Alicia.

◆ Northern Learning Tour

NLUMC will be sending a group to Timmins, Ontario to participate in a program hosted by MCC Ontario's Indigenous Neighbours Program. We will be meeting local Elders, learning about traditional medicines and building a raised bed garden in the community. This trip is open to people ages 14 and older. Please contact Pastor Alicia to register. The estimated cost is \$425 all inclusive, per person. Travel dates are July 16-20, 2018. **Please register by February 28.**

◆ NLUMC Charter and By-Laws

Following countless hours by many volunteers and staff, the new NLUMC Charter and By-Laws are nearly ready to present to the membership. These two documents will replace the previous Constitution (2001). If all goes as planned, they will be made available to everyone by mid-February and ready for presentation at the upcoming Annual General Meeting on March 4, 2018.

◆ **Lost & Found**

A car key was found in the church parking lot. Please contact the church office to claim your key.

◆ **NLUMC depends on your help to thrive.**

We are looking for the following volunteer positions:

Longer term commitment positions:

- Church Treasurer
- 1 sound and AV operator (we will train you!)

Please contact Pastors Alicia or Jim if you would like more information about any of these positions.



— **Upcoming Event** —

NLUMC Youth lunch and Annual General meeting – Sunday, March 4

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

► **Community Fundraising Lunch – today, 11:30 am – 1 pm.** Come join us at our January fundraising meal for Mennonite sausage, meatballs, mashed potatoes, corn, salad, dessert. Admission by donation. Take out is also available.

► **UMEI Autumn Campaign.** We are so thankful for the support we have received to date for our Autumn Campaign! However, we are at a standstill of 76% of our \$76,000 goal. We would love to reach 100% of our goal by February 28. Please consider donating to help with this final push. Donations can be made online, by mail, or dropped off at the school office.

◆ **Heritage Choir practice, Monday, January 29, 2:30 pm** at the Leamington Mennonite Home.

◆ **Leamington MEDA Chapter Events**

► **Saturday, February 3, 2 pm,** at Klassen Greenhouse Farms, 63 County Road 29, Cottam. Join a panel discussion of MEDA supporters and discover their secrets to success. This is a great way to network with the community and gain access to developed professionals. RSVP to Praise Nugteren at 519-725-1633 or at pnugteren@meda.org by **January 28!** Free Admission. Anyone interested in a panel presentation about Faith & Works should find this event helpful and interesting. Refreshments sponsored by Kindred Credit Union!

► **Saturday, February 3, 7 pm** at LUMC, 78 Oak St. E., Leamington. Join us for an exciting presentation by Pastor David Dyck and son Andrew Dyck, as they reflect on their 10-day experience in Myanmar, participating in

MEDA Myanmar On the Move biking tour. Their participation helped raise an additional \$25,000 that became part of the Leamington MEDA Chapter total goal of \$125,000! Free Admission. Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

◆ **Annual Leamington Meat Canner Fundraising Luncheon**

hosted by Leamington Meat Canner Committee on **Sunday, February 4** at UMEI, 11:30 am – 2 pm. Admission by donation. Menu includes chili, fleisch perishky, borscht, buns, dessert, coffee and tea. Take out available. For takeout call Robert & Barb Dick by Saturday, February 3. Plan to attend, and bring a friend!

◆ **Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News**

Travelogues — 7 pm at the Heritage Centre. Everyone welcome! Admission by donation.

1. **Friday, February 9** — “The Long Road to Reformation and Beyond: Martin Luther to Menno Simons.” Speaker: Glen Sellick
2. **Friday, February 16** — The Azores (Portugal) by Peter Andrew

Leamington Mennonite Home News

► **The Corporate Members Meeting** is on **Tuesday, March 6** at 7 pm in the J.C. Neufeld Place of Fellowship: Retirement Residence. The Home reports will be placed in the church mailboxes of Corporate Members on Sunday, February 25. Corporate Members should notify the Home 519-326-6109 if they are unable to attend.

► **Hairdressing Volunteers.** Our Home is inviting volunteers to assist in the Hair Salon on Wednesday and Thursday mornings for 2.5 hours as volunteer availability permits. Please contact Judy Ferrari at 519-326-6109 if interested in this volunteer opportunity.

◆ **Employment Opportunity**

► **UMEI Christian High School. Summer Camps Coordinator.** UMEI is looking for a university student to coordinate the school’s summer day camps; specifically Camp Explore U for grades 3-6 students as well as Rockets and Robotics for grades 4-8 students. The successful candidate will be proactive in planning and developing the three week-long camp programs. The position runs from May 28 – August 3 and offers 30 hours/week. For more details contact Sonya Bedal at principal@umei.ca.

► **The Leamington Mennonite Home** invites applications for a **full-time summer student** interested in assisting with social-recreational. This position will be of interest to a grade twelve student with a desire to return to the position for 3-4 years. A passion for seniors and frail elderly is a requirement. Submit applications to lindatiessen@mennonitehome.ca by February 6.

See bulletin board for the following . . .

- **Mennonite Disaster Service**, January 18 update
- **Teens Teaching Tech**, South Essex Community Council
- **Women's Circle**, 3rd Wednesday of each month, Caldwell Community Hall

See brochure rack for the following . . .

- **A Common Place**, MCC, Winter 2018
 - **The Marketplace**, MEDA, Jan-Feb 2018
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If church members/or participants consent to the use of their photo/or their child's photo to be included in any church broadcasts, they are asked to contact the church office and sign the appropriate Photography and Media Consent Form. The NLUMC Photography and Media Policy has been implemented to inform church participants that NLUMC is committed to a safe environment for all.

Youth . . .

No Youth Sunday School this morning.

Note for future Youth Sunday School — if we have three participants or less, we will go to Tim Hortons. Let your student know if you want them to bring something back for you.

Friday, February 9 - Kingsville Breakout Room. Contact Pastor Alicia for more information.

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today area churches are praying for South Point Community Church and their pastor David Bretzlaff.

Our prayers go out to the family of *Anna Braun*, mother of *Rita (Don) Loewen* who passed away Saturday, January 20. The funeral was held on Tuesday, January 23 at LUMC.

Thank you to the youth that participated in the 3rd Annual Hoop'n Around the Clock, a 24 hour Basketball event. Also a big thanks to Pastor Alicia for organizing and to the parents and grandparents that came out to support the youth. This year's event took place at Migration Hall in Kingsville and also at the Sportsplex at St. Clair College. We were able to raise over \$30,000 to be split between five different charities including The Bridge, The Neighbourhood Charitable Alliance, The St. Clair College Athletic Bursary, The Windsor Cancer Foundation and the Windsor PINO Athletic Group. Thank you again and hope to see you back next year. . . *Mark Scherer*

We invite you to let the church office know of any requests for visitation you might have by calling or emailing the church office, 519-326-7928 or office@nlumc.com, Tuesday, 9 am through Friday, 3 pm. In case of emergency, contact Pastor Jim at 519-589-8357.

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