



**Sunday, February 4, 2018**

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader: Lorna Wiebe

Speaker: Jim Loepp Thiessen

*Growing relationships, in Christ.*

NLUMC Vision Statement, 2011

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## **Order of Worship**

Welcome and opening prayer

HWB #14, *Come, we that love the Lord*

Announcements

Children's story

Offering with HWB #439, *I want Jesus to walk with me*

Offertory prayer

HWB #545, *Be thou my vision*

Message — Shifting Your Focus

HWB #36, *God of our strength*

Sharing time

Congregational prayer

Closing song – *The Mountain of God*

Benediction

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

### ***Today . . .***

— 8:45 am, coffee time.

— 9 to 9:45 am, Adult Education in week two of “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.

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### ***Next Sunday, February 11***

— 8:45 am, Faith Exploration class.

— 8:45 am, coffee time.

— 9 to 9:45 am, Join us in Adult Education for week three of “Five ways to Pray” with Pastor Jim. You will have 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.

— 10 am, Join us as we welcome UMEI to lead us in worship. Chani Wiens will bring the message.

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## Church Life . . .

### ◆ From Pastor Jim Loepf Thiessen

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

◆ **Leadership Team meeting, Tuesday, February 6, 7 pm.**

◆ **Quilting, Wednesday, February 7, 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. If you wish to attend class, please contact Pastor Alicia.

### ◆ 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.

◆ ***Shipwrecked* Vacation Bible School** will be hosted at LUMC from **July 9 - 13, 2018. This is a new location for our annual VBS.** NLUMC, LUMC and Faith Mennonite will be partnering together in this project. At ***Shipwrecked***, kids discover that Jesus rescues them! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats. Kids will discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life. More information to follow.

### ◆ Medicine Bundle Learning Tour

#### **The Northern Learning Tour has a fun new name!**

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 April 1.**

### ◆ 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.

## ◆ **Donations to NLUMC**

Setting up an automatic transfer is a convenient way to make regular donations to the church. If you would like to participate in this program, please stop in at the church office to complete the necessary paperwork and provide a void cheque. These donations will be processed on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Please contact Susan Klassen at the church office if you have any questions.

### **Year-to-Date offering**

**December 1, 2017 – January 31, 2018**

Church Fund ..... \$45,600.45

## ◆ **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 Events** —

**First Sunday of Lent — February 18**

**NLUMC Youth lunch and Annual General meeting — Sunday, March 4**

**Women's Retreat, "Living Creatively" — April 20-21**

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## **Community/Conference Events . . .**

### ◆ **Annual Leamington Meat Canner Fundraising Luncheon**

hosted by Leamington Meat Canner Committee **today** at UMEI, 11:30 am – 2 pm. Admission by donation. Menu includes chili, fleisch perishky, borscht, buns, dessert, coffee and tea. Plan to attend, and bring a friend!

◆ **Heritage Choir practice, Monday, February 5, 2 pm** at the Heritage Center.

### ◆ **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

### ◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

▶ **Early Registration for 2018/2019.** We are now accepting registrations for the 2018/2019 school year. Registration packages can be downloaded from [umei.ca](http://umei.ca) or picked up in the office. Get your Grade 9 Application forms in by February 28 and receive a \$200 tuition credit and a UMEI T-shirt!

▶ **Ground beef** orders are due in the office **Wednesday, February 14** and will be ready to pick up Thursday, February 22.

▶ **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.

### **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 Opportunities**

#### ▶ **UMEI Christian High School**

1. **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](mailto:principal@umei.ca).

#### ▶ **The Leamington Mennonite Home**

1. **With the retirement of the current Administrator,** Linda Tiessen, from our Home in 2018, the Home is inviting applications for the position of **Administrator.** Qualifications include a post secondary degree, preferably a masters degree in health, social sciences or administrative services. Eight to ten years of senior management and leadership experience in a union setting is required, together with excellent verbal and written

communication skills. An understanding of the not for profit and health care sectors is an asset. The ability to multi-task is central to the position. A passion for our ministry of eldercare should be evident in relationships with supporting churches, government and community. A search committee, consisting of Henry Hildebrandt, John Knelsen, and Helga Enns, has been created to lead the search process for a new administrator. Linda Tiessen and Irene Collard will serve in an advisory role. For a complete job description contact Henry Hildebrandt, Chair at LMHBoardofDirectors@gmail.com. Applications should be submitted before April 6.

2. The 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.
3. Our Home invites applications for the position of **summer nursing student**. This student will be working as a Personal Support Worker, caring for the residents in the Long Term Care Home. A passion for seniors and the frail elderly is required. Those with an interest in this summer job opportunity, please send a resume to Jacquie Turnbull at jacquie@mennonitehome.ca by February 19.

*See bulletin board for the following . . .*

- **Mennonite Disaster Service**, February 1 update
- **Teens Teaching Tech**, South Essex Community Council
- **Women's Circle**, 3rd Wednesday of each month, Caldwell Community Hall

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## Youth . . . No Youth Sunday School this morning.

**Friday, February 9 - Kingsville Breakout Room.** Contact Pastor Alicia to RSVP. Meet at 6:45 pm at 106 Wigle Avenue, Kingsville. Pick-up at 9 pm at Tim Hortons on Main Street, Kingsville. Cost is \$20 per person. Friends are welcome.

LUMC invites NLUMC youth and parents to attend **Inflatable Olympics** on **Saturday, February 10** at the UMEI gym from 2-4 pm. Cost is \$15 per person. Teams of youth will compete against each other and their parents using some fun special equipment from the redline inflatable company. Please contact LUMC to RSVP, lumc@mnsi.net.

## Photography and Media Policy

North Leamington United Mennonite Church (NLUMC) takes photographs/videos of participants at various church services and events. NLUMC may use any photos/videos taken from any service and events for promoting, publicizing or explaining NLUMC and its activities in the form of print, broadcast, website and social media, or in any manner deemed appropriate without prior notification to the participants. Photos could be used in these public forums without consideration and/or compensation.

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.

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## Prayer List . . .

**Neighbouring Congregation** — Today area churches are praying for Salvation Army Citadel and their pastors; Brad & Wavie Webster.

The flowers in the sanctuary are in memory of *John Braun* who passed away 10 years ago, February 3, 2008.

Our Mom, *Anna Braun*, was so appreciative for the support and love she received from everyone. It is so uplifting to have such a wonderful community of family and friends, thank you for your condolences and thoughtful messages, all the beautiful flower arrangements, the meals you provided, your donations and your amazing support. We certainly appreciated all the memories that were shared, and if anyone has more memories please pass them on. One friend wrote, "how lovely to fall asleep and wake up in freedom, in God's embrace." We are so grateful to God for taking Mom home in such a wonderful way.

. . . *Thank you, Don and Rita Loewen, John and Mary Braun*

*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 Alicia at 519-819-3772.*

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