



Sunday, October 21, 2018

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader: Paul Cornies
Speaker: Charleen Jongejan Harder

Growing relationships, in Christ.

NLUMC Vision Statement, 2011

Order of Worship

We Gather

HWB #1, *What is this place*

Words of welcome & announcements

We Reflect

Litany

Hymn, *Jesus, stand among us*

Children's time, change offering, and song

Offering with HWB #493, *I heard the voice of Jesus say*

Offertory prayer

HWB #70, *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

We Hear God's Word

Scripture reading — Mark 7:24-30

Message — Challenge and Change: a lesson from the crumbs

We Respond

HWB #594, *Lord, you sometimes speak*

Sharing time and prayer

HWB #504, *Have thine own way*

Benediction

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

Today —

► **Mindful Movement for Mental Health - Intergenerational class begins today with coffee at 8:45, class at 9 am.** Learn to be fully present in God's presence by experiencing mindfulness (mindful awareness) through the five senses of taste, touch, smell, sound and sight. Each week we will look at one of the senses and how we connect to God and our emotions in a balanced way. We will enter into the mindfulness time each week beginning with breathing, gentle movements, balancing and prayer. We will end each week with a prayer and an activity to complete individually or as a family. This is suited to everyone ages 8-108 (or maturity level that can participate in these types of activities.) We will have classes on October 21, 28, November 4, 18 & 25. Let Lindsey Ecker

know if you have questions or would like to participate so she knows how many materials to bring each week.

Next Sunday, October 28 —

▶ **Mindful Movement for Mental Health - Intergenerational class. Coffee at 8:45, class at 9 am.** Learn to be fully present in God's presence by experiencing mindfulness (mindful awareness) through the five senses of taste, touch, smell, sound and sight. Each week we will look at one of the senses and how we connect to God and our emotions in a balanced way. This is suited to everyone ages 8-108 (or maturity level that can participate in these types of activities.) Let Lindsey Ecker know if you have questions or would like to participate so she knows how many materials to bring each week.

▶ 10 am — Join us for worship as Pastor Alicia continues with the sermon series on the Gospel of Mark with the message — Fake Faith: If following God is uncool, or even dangerous... would you do it anyways?

Church Life . . .

◆ Missions and Service Team News — Socktober & Undie Sunday.

We are collecting new men's and ladies' dark warm socks (no short sport socks) and underwear in the church foyer during the month of October. Items collected will be distributed to The Bridge and the Windsor Mission.

◆ Church Council Meeting, Wednesday, October 24, 7:30 pm.

◆ Calling All Young and Youngish Adults!

After our last meeting at the Barnewall's in summer, we discussed trying to get together on a regular basis. **Please RSVP** to Maida Tiessen for the pizza or the visioning and pastoral review.

1. **Pizza Open House: 4:30 – 7 pm, Friday, October 26.** Pizza at the home of Alex and Chani Wiens. Come hang out and connect with others in our church community. Adults and children are welcome! Please bring your own refreshments and some money to cover the cost of pizza.

2. **Continuing the Conversation: Sunday, November 11.** Visioning and Pastoral Review at NLUMC. Stay for a potluck lunch after church and more conversations on the future of our church. We value and appreciate your input! This will be a great time to share again. In preparation for the day, please review the material shared in mailboxes earlier in September.

◆ School for Laypeople: Doing Spiritual Care

How can people in our church provide quality spiritual care and support for each other, when we aren't all trained to be pastors? This workshop, on **Saturday, November 3** at NLUMC, 9 am - 4 pm, will include interactive

teaching, tools for spiritual formation, and resources to help us provide meaningful spiritual care for one another... no theology degree required! Register online at uwaterloo.ca/anabaptist-learning-workshop/school-laypeople-doing-spiritual-care-november-3-2018 or contact Pastor Alicia. Cost is \$40, bursaries are available.

◆ **Potluck Lunch, Sunday, November 11** following the morning worship service. All are invited to bring their favourite dish to share with all at a potluck lunch in the church basement. Following the meal you are invited to stay and join the visioning and pastoral review focus groups. (see next item)

◆ **Visioning and Pastoral Review Focus Groups**

All are invited to join us on **Sunday, November 11** to add your voice to this important conversation. After worship we'll share a potluck lunch and then have an opportunity for you to provide feedback on the direction of our church. After a break, you will be invited to share your experiences of Pastor Alicia's ministry to contribute to her review. In preparation for the day, please review the material shared in mailboxes earlier in September. Please let Maida Tiessen or Joanne Brown know of your interest in participating in the afternoon sessions so that they know how many focus groups to prepare.

◆ **Theatre of the Beat** is a Canadian touring theatre company commissioned by Mennonite Church Eastern Canada to create this play and take on tour to Mennonite churches! The play, *#ChurchToo*, will take place **Tuesday, November 13** at 7 pm at NLUMC. Admission: freewill offering. Artfully depicted through a variety of scenes and relationships, *#ChurchToo* explores the struggle of wading into the realities of sexual assault and examines the difficulties of speaking out in a community where the topic of sex is often considered taboo. The play will be followed by a half hour of question and answer led by Theatre of the Beat. These social justice issues and how they intersect with our lives and our beliefs are very important conversations to have in safe surroundings. We invite everyone to mark their calendar now to attend on **November 13** and to invite others from our community.

◆ **Kindred Members Support NLUMC.** Thanks to your investments in Kindred Credit Union's Church Builder GICs last year, we received a donation of \$682.19. Since Church Builder GICs were introduced in 1998, Kindred has donated over \$675,000 in bonus interest to churches and organizations in Ontario.

◆ **Leamington Christmas Parade, Saturday, November 24.**

NLUMC is preparing a float for the annual parade. More information to follow.

◆ **Budget Update, December 1, 2017 – October 15, 2018** (88.5% of year) \$241,694.30 (80.7%) of our \$299,700 unified church budget has been donated to date. Give prayerfully, joyfully and generously as God has given to you.

◆ **Save the Dates** ◆

School for Laypeople: Doing Spiritual Care – November 3

Potluck Lunch and Visioning & Pastoral Review Focus Groups – November 11

Theatre of the Beat, #ChurchToo – November 13

Christmas Parade – November 24

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **Heritage Choir Practice, Monday, October 22** at 2 pm at the Heritage Centre.

◆ **Stronger Together Kingsville-Leamington.** Join us at the second of a three-part series of community engagement sessions aimed at creating a stronger sense of inclusion and acceptance between resident and non-resident communities in the Kingsville-Leamington region. The second community engagement session will be held **Monday, October 29** from 4 to 8 pm at the Kingsville Arena Complex, 1741 Jasperson Drive, Kingsville. The link to register has been posted on our Facebook group page, OR contact Pastor Charleen and she will send you the link.

◆ **Leamington Mennonite Home News**

▶ The Moonlight River Cruise 2018 Gala was attended by 400 guests who enjoyed a memorable evening while raising funds for our Home. We thank all corporate sponsors, silent and live auction supporters, with a heartfelt thank you to the Gala committee. Funds will be used for resident care equipment.

▶ We are sponsoring an Artisan Market Sale on **Saturday, November 3**, from 9 am to 4 pm at 31 Pickwick Drive (Heritage Centre.) An invitation is extended to artisans and makers of crafts to sell their creative products. The cost of an individual booth is \$50 and the admission for those who attend is free. For more information, contact Barb Founk. The proceeds of this sale support the work of the Home's Auxiliary.

◆ **Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News**

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

1. **Friday, November 9:** *The Road Less Traveled – Poland & Germany* by Glen Sellick
2. **Friday, November 30:** *Ukraine Cruise* by David Dyck

◆ **Soli Deo Gloria Singers, Fall Concert**, *To Everything there is a Season* on **Saturday, November 24** at UMEI at 7:30 pm and **Sunday, November 25** at LUMC at 3 pm. Admission: adults \$15 at the door, \$12 in advance, students \$7 at the door, \$6 in advance, available from Kindred Credit Union or choir members. Call UMEI, 519-326-7448 for more information.

◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

▶ **Thank You** to everyone who attended the Rocket Launch & BBQ lunch last Sunday. We hope you enjoyed the food, robotics demonstrations, and all the rockets! It was a huge success and you helped us raise \$2,575 for student trips.

▶ **Save the Date - Grade 11 Drama Class presents: *A Christmas Carol*** on **Friday, November 30** at 7 pm and **Sunday, December 2** at 2 pm. Tickets for the play are available at the door – adults \$10; students \$6; children 5 years and under – free. Before the play on Sunday, come out and enjoy a chili lunch in the auditorium at the students *Annual Chili Cookoff* from 12-1:30 pm – admission by donation.

See bulletin board for the following . . .

- **Mennonite Disaster Service**, October 10 update
- **Fall Open House, Conrad Grebel University College**, November 3
- **Peace Conference, MCC**, November 10

See brochure rack for the following . . .

- **Christian Peacemaker teams**, Team reports, July – September 2018
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Youth . . .

▶ **Wednesday, October 24, Thiessen Orchards** Junior and Senior Youth, 4-6 pm. This is a joint event with LUMC and Faith Mennonite Churches. Please bring money for snacks.

▶ **Sunday, November 4**, Junior Youth (grades 6-8) **Make a Difference Day** in Kitchener. Register by October 24.

▶ **Theatre of the Beat** presents **#ChurchToo** on **November 13**, 7 pm at NLUMC. Senior Youth (grades 9-12) are encouraged to attend.

▶ **Leamington Christmas Parade, Saturday, November 24**, Junior & Senior Youth are needed to help with our church float!

▶ ▶ **Please contact Pastor Alicia to RSVP on the North Leamington Youth Facebook page or by email, alicia@nlumc.com**

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Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today area churches are praying for Mount Zion Full Gospel Church and their pastor C.L. Morton, Jr.

Please pray for *Irma (& Henry) Janzen* who continues her recovery in Leamington.

Please pray for *Marge Friesen* who is undergoing medical procedures in November.

Pray for *Philip Friesen* who is scheduled for surgery on his nose in December.

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 through Friday, 9 am to 3 pm. In case of emergency, contact Pastor Alicia, 519-819-3772 or Pastor Charleen at 519-329-3829 or Pastor Kendall at 519-329-1514.

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