



Sunday, October 28, 2018

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader: Debbie Janzen

Speaker: Alicia Good

Growing relationships, in Christ.

NLUMC Vision Statement, 2011

Order of Worship

Thelma & Bertha discuss the church budget

We Gather

Welcome and announcements

HWB #41, *Come thou Almighty King*

HWB #444, *Lord, I want to be a Christian*

We Reflect

Call to worship and opening prayer

Offering with HWB #384, *We give thee but thine own*

Offertory prayer

We Hear God's Word

Scripture reading — Mark 8:27-9:1

Message — Fake Faith: What if your beliefs cost you everything?

We Respond

HWB #545, *Be thou my vision*

Sharing time and prayer

HWB #447, *O Jesus, I have promised*

Benediction

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

Today —

► **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.

Next Sunday, November 4 —

► **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 Charleen continues in the Gospel of Mark series based on Mark 10:17-31 with her message — Let it go! This story of “the rich young ruler” speaks into our times, we who have too much stuff, yet yearn for simplicity. Our stuff can get in the way of our relationship with each other, and with God. But Jesus speaks hope even into our cluttered lives: nothing is impossible with God. So, with God's help, can we let it go?

Church Life . . .

◆ **Missions and Service Team News — Socktober & Undie Sunday.** This is the last Sunday that we are collecting new men's and ladies' dark warm socks (no short sport socks) and underwear in the church foyer. Items collected will be distributed to The Bridge and the Windsor Mission.

◆ **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.

◆ **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.

► **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. Everyone is invited to bring their favourite side dish or dessert to share with all at a potluck lunch in the church basement. Colasanti's chicken and buns/butter will be supplied. A freewill offering basket will be set up to cover the cost of the chicken. 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. **Please RSVP** to Maida Tiessen for the visioning and pastoral review.

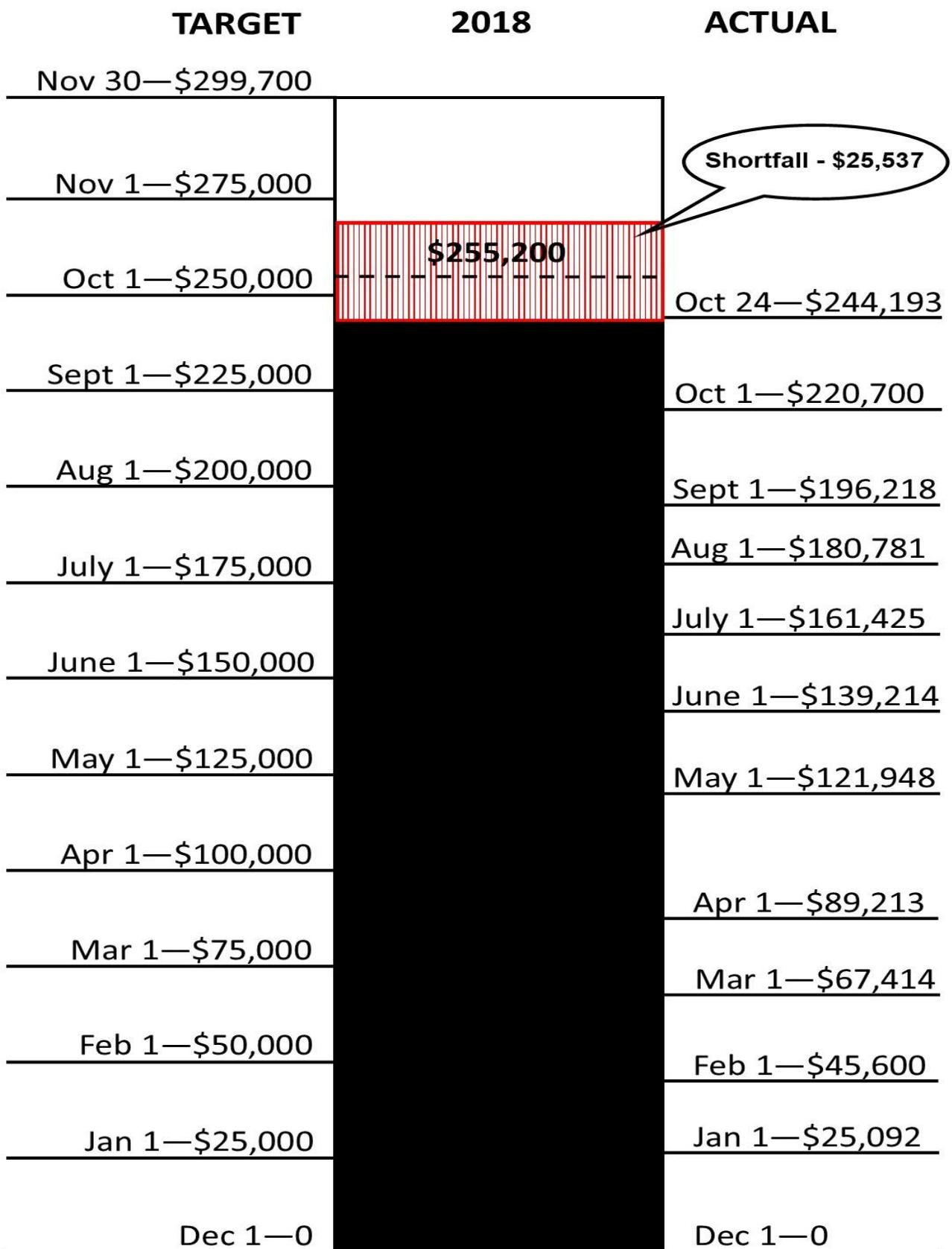
◆ **Potluck Lunch, Sunday, November 11** following the morning worship service. Everyone is invited to bring their favourite side dish or dessert to share with all at a potluck lunch in the church basement. Colasanti's chicken and buns/butter will be supplied. A freewill offering basket will be set up to cover the cost of the chicken. 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.

◆ **NLUMC Float for Leamington Christmas Parade, Saturday, November 24** at 6 pm. This year we will be featuring our Sunday School and are inviting interested Sunday School students to ride on our float. More information will follow next week.



◆ **Budget Update, December 1, 2017 – October 24, 2018** (90% of year) \$244,193.95 (81.5%) of our \$299,700 unified church budget has been donated to date. Give prayerfully, joyfully and generously as God has given to you.

◆ **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 15th of each month. Please contact Susan Klassen at the church office or the treasurer, Louise Neufeld, treasurer@nlumnc.com, if you have any questions.

◆ **The Canadian Mennonite** is looking for a correspondent from the Leamington area who can write two articles a month to be included in their magazine. Please contact Pastor Alicia Good for more information, alicia@nlumc.com

◆ 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 29** at 2:30 pm at the Leamington Mennonite Home.

◆ **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

▶ 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

◆ MCC Peace Conference

Saturday, November 10, 9 am - 4 pm at Forward Church, 55 Franklin Ave, Cambridge. MCC's Peace Conference will inspire and inform through general

sessions, workshops and conversations with hundreds of like-minded messengers of peace. Bring the kids along (ages 4-10) to become Junior Peacebuilders! Spaces are limited, and preregistration is required (\$10/child and \$25/adult). Call 519-745-8458 or go to mcco.ca/peace-conference to learn more and to register.

◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

▶ **Annual Members Meeting, Wednesday, November 14.** This meeting is open to anyone interested. The meeting will be in the Chapel at 7 pm. Copies of the report are available from the church or by contacting the UMEI office.

▶ **Discovery Day.** Don't spend your PA Day at home! Grades 4 to 6 are invited to see what UMEI Christian High School is all about at Discovery Day. Enjoy a day of fun, games, music and lunch. Join us **Friday, November 16** from 10 am - 1 pm. To register, contact Abby Neufeld Dick by email at abbynd@umei.ca or call the UMEI office at 519-326-7448. Doors for Discovery Day open at 9:30 am.

▶ **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.

◆ **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.

◆ **Employment Opportunity**

The Canadian Mennonite is seeking a full-time social media coordinator with the possibility of working remotely. For more information please contact Tobi Thiessen, Publisher, publisher@canadianmennonite.org, 1-800-378-2524, ext. 228, or Virginia A. Hostetler, Executive editor, 1-800-378-2524, ext. 225, editor@canadianmennonite.org

See bulletin board for the following . . .

- **Mennonite Disaster Service, October 25 update**
- **Fall Open House, Conrad Grebel University College, November 3**

See brochure rack for the following . . .

- **Christian Peacemaker teams, Team reports, July – September 2018**
- **Courier, Mennonite World Conference, October 2018**

Youth . . .

- ▶ **Sunday, November 4**, Junior Youth (grades 6-8) will be attending **Make a Difference Day** in Kitchener.
- ▶ **Theatre of the Beat** presents **#ChurchToo** on **Tuesday, November 13**, 7 pm at NLUMC. Senior Youth (grades 9-12) are encouraged to attend.
- ▶ **Thursday, November 15**, 7-8:30 pm at NLUMC, Senior Youth round table conversation on **#ChurchToo**.
- ▶ **Leamington Christmas Parade, Saturday, November 24**, Junior & Senior Youth are needed to help with our church float!
- ▶ **Friday, November 30**, 7 pm. Junior & Senior Youth are attending the UMEI Grade 11 play.
- ▶ **Hosts are needed** for the all Youth Christmas Party on **Sunday, December 16**.
- ▶ ▶ **Please contact Pastor Alicia to RSVP on the North Leamington Youth Facebook page or by email, alicia@nlumc.com**

- ▶ **Attention Students** — It's never too early to plan for your further education in September of 2019. Do you know that both Columbia Bible College in Abbotsford and Canadian Mennonite University in Winnipeg offer full tuition assistance? Check out the **Sheep & Goats MDS Service Scholarship/Bursary** at each of the schools' Financial Aid page.
- ▶ **Conrad Grebel Fall Open House — Saturday, November 3**. Come and see what Grebel and University of Waterloo have to offer for Fall 2019 or beyond. Between 10 am and 5 pm, you'll have the opportunity to tour the University of Waterloo campus, attend information sessions about your faculty/s or program/s of interest, learn about co-operative education, and about the financial side of attending university. You can meet professors, staff, and students who will answer your questions about areas of study and student life. While you're here, be sure to tour Grebel. We have a fantastic residence and you can talk to faculty and students about Grebel academic programs and classes. PLUS, our cookies are beyond compare! Come try one for yourself.

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Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today area churches are praying for Templo Cristiano la Buena Semilla and their pastor Saul Hernandez.

Pray for *Dan Epp* who has been diagnosed with cancer. He has finished his first treatment but it had poor results. Pray that a new medication will be more effective.

Thank you for the prayers, cards and messages of encouragement following my accident and hip surgery. We are grateful for the excellent, compassionate care I received at both Windsor and Leamington hospitals. I am happy to be at home, regaining strength and mobility. . . *Irma and Henry Janzen*

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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