



**Sunday, March 17, 2019**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

**Worship Service — 10 am**

Worship Leader: Debbie Srigley

Speaker: Alicia Good

*Growing relationships, in Christ.*

NLUMC Vision Statement

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## **Order of Worship**

### **Blessed Hunger, Holy Feast**

Welcome

STS #1, *Praise the one who breaks the darkness*

Call to worship

Children's time

Offering and STS #49, *I will come to you in the silence*

Confession and reconciliation

Scripture readings — Luke 13:31-35, Psalm 27

Message — Costly Discipleship

Hymn #599, *He leadeth me*

Sharing time

Hymn #433, *Go, my children*

Sending

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

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## ***Next Sunday, Third Sunday of Lent, March 24***

▶ **8:45 am, Faith Exploration Class.**

▶ **8:45 am, Coffee time.**

▶ **9 am, Adult Sunday School.** We begin a series considering questions and issues around the end of life. Do you have questions or thoughts around what happens after we die? Do you struggle with medical or legal questions around the end of life? What goes into funeral planning and what decisions could be helpful to make in advance? During this series we will consider all of these things. We begin by considering medical questions and issues around the end of life with Caroline Hamm.

We will continue in this series **Sunday, March 31, April 7 and 14.**

► **10 am, worship** with Pastor Charleen bringing the message: Come to the Waters. A joyous Sunday awaits us - we welcome three new members, Joel Epp, Alex & Chani Wiens, with overtones of Isaiah 55. "Ho, all who thirst, come to the waters..." God invites God's people not to settle for an empty life, but to respond to God's invitation to a life and wholeness.

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## Church Life . . .

◆ **No Faith Exploration Classes on March 17.** We will resume on Sunday, March 24 at 8:45 am.

◆ **Wednesday, March 20, 7 pm, Ministry Team meeting.**

◆ **Families:** You may have noticed an insert in your mailboxes. I hope you have explored it a bit - it contains an invitation to make time and space for prayer in these weeks leading up to Easter. Colour; chat, connect with your kids. That's the invitation. Use a little, use the whole package - your call. Let me know what you think! . . . *Pastor Charleen.*

◆ **KIDS! A request for drawings/art.** When you are really hungry, what food makes you full? Isaiah 55 says that God will feed the hungry with good food - what do you think that good food might look like? Draw a picture or make a collage of good, healthy food (no junk food please!) and we may use your image(s) in worship on Sunday, March 24. Please submit digital images to charleen@nlumc.com or paper copies to the office **by Thursday, March 21.**

◆ **Adult Sunday School.** We begin a series considering questions and issues around the end of life. Do you have questions or thoughts around what happens after we die? Do you struggle with medical or legal questions around the end of life? What goes into funeral planning and what decisions could be helpful to make in advance? During this series we will consider all of these things. We begin by considering medical questions and issues around the end of life with Caroline Hamm. We will meet **Sunday, March 24, 31, April 7 and 14.**

◆ **Canadian Mennonite Subscriptions.** All who attend NLUMC may receive a subscription to *Canadian Mennonite*. The biweekly magazine is delivered in print, by email, or both. Subscriptions are paid for collectively through MCEC. To start a new subscription, add digital delivery to an existing print subscription, or switch to digital-only, please contact Brenda Klassen. We will submit our congregation's subscription list by **March 24, 2019.**

◆ **Membership Meeting, Sunday, March 31**, immediately following the morning worship service. The Membership meeting will deal with the following bylaw changes.

- 3.02 Qualification of Directors. Church Council members shall be individuals eighteen (18) or more years of age and shall at the time of their election or within ten (10) days thereafter and throughout the term of their office, be members of the Church. The requirement for membership may be waived by Church Council with the recommendation of the Ministry Team. If the candidate is an adherent but not a member, he/she may participate fully on Council including voting privileges.

(the change is the addition of, *with the recommendation of the Ministry Team. If the candidate is an adherent but not a member, he/she may participate fully on Council including voting privileges*)

- 17.05 point 5) nominate Corporate Members to Leamington Mennonite Home Board of Management.

(the change is the addition of the word, *Corporate*)

- 17.05 addition, point 6) Nominate three (3) members to the Leamington Mennonite Home Board of which one (1) position is a Church Council member.

- Addendum for 17.08 – The Addendum “Pastoral Reviews and Personnel Policies (Shared Team Ministry)” is available in your mailslot and in the church foyer. If you have an email address, a copy was emailed out to you on March 15.

17.08 (b) Responsibilities be amended to read:

- 1) no change
- 2) no change
- 3) no change
- 4) no change
- 5) Complete reviews of newly hired pastor(s) in accordance with the Addendum entitled “Pastoral Reviews and Personnel Policies (Shared Team Ministry)”
- 6) Complete regular reviews of all pastor(s) in accordance with the Addendum entitled “Pastoral Reviews and Personnel Policies (Shared Team Ministry)”
- 7) no change
- 8) no change

◆ **Sunday, April 14.** Interested people of all ages are encouraged to attend a lunch and discussion time after church to imagine **the future of NLUMC's youth ministry**. Please bring a pot of soup, veggies, bread, or dessert to share.

◆ **Vacation Bible School – July 8-12 at LUMC**

Hosted by NLUMC, Faith and LUMC. For children moving into grades JK – 6. This year's theme is “Roar.” Children will discover that God is good through all of life's challenges. They will participate in memorable Bible-learning

activities, awe-inspiring worship music, teamwork-building games, imaginative craft activities, and an amazing Hungry Herd snack center. CD's are available for purchase for \$10. Contact the church office if you are interested.

◆ **Campers** — If you are interested in camping this summer with fellow NLUMC members, there are plans underfoot to camp together at Wheatley Provincial Park the weekend after DVBS, **from July 12-14**. If you want to support these plans or give feedback. If you want to support these plans or give feedback, contact Lindsey and Jason Ecker or Pastor Charleen.

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## Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **Heritage Choir** practice, **Monday, March 18** at 2 pm at the Heritage Center. New singers are welcome.

### ◆ **Leamington Mennonite Home News**

▶ **Seniors Education.** Our Home invites seniors to attend a morning coffee break with a guest speaker focusing on relevant information and activities. The second presentation is on **Wednesday, March 20** at 9:30 am in the J.C. Neufeld Place of Fellowship with Mariel Konrad from the Home sharing information about fall prevention.

▶ **Annual Meeting.** We invite everyone to a time of information sharing, discussion and planning followed by a coffee hour on **Tuesday, March 26** in the J.C. Neufeld of Fellowship at 7 pm. Annual reports are in church mailboxes today.

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

▶ **New to ShopUMEI – Incentive Program.** For every \$50 spent on ShopUMEI or Vista retail cards, your name will be placed in a monthly draw for a \$25 Esso gift card. Draws will take place the first school day of the following month.

▶ **Ground beef** orders are due in the office by noon **Wednesday, March 20** and will be ready to pick up Thursday, March 28.

▶ **Pie Fundraiser.** Students are selling home-made pies to raise money for their school trips. Pies come frozen with baking instructions. Please contact any UMEI student or the school office to place an order. All orders are due by **Wednesday, March 20**. Pie orders will arrive in time for Easter.

▶ **ShopUMEI Vista Order.** Retail card orders are due in the office by noon **Monday, March 25**. Cards will be ready for pick up Friday, March 29.

▶ We are so appreciative of those who have contributed to our Autumn Campaign. So far, we have raised \$68,000 of our total goal of \$77,000. We would ask that you prayerfully consider donating to UMEI so we can continue to help our students to reach their full potential through a life rooted in faith.

► **Register for the 2019/2020 School Year**

There are still spaces at UMEI for the 2019/2020 school year, and we'd love to have you join us. Book a tour today by emailing [abbynd@umei.ca](mailto:abbynd@umei.ca) or calling 519-326-7448.

◆ **Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News**

► **Travelogue** at 7 pm at the Heritage Centre. Admission by donation, all are welcome. **Friday, March 22: *Ukraine Heritage Cruise*** by David & Nancy Dyck

► **Save the date — Saturday, May 11: Annual Spring Dinner**, guest speaker, Ken Neufeld, former ambassador to Afghanistan.

◆ **Southwestern Ontario Gleaners News**

Annual General Meeting of the SWO Gleaners is **Saturday, March 23** at 2 pm at the Gleaners, 40 Industrial Rd, Leamington. Lifetime memberships \$10. If you have been a member in the past, you are a lifetime member and no payment is required. Join us for 2018 reports and take part in decision making for the future.

◆ **Women of MCEC Spring Enrichment Day — 2019**

**Saturday, April 13 at Floradale Mennonite Church.** Our resource person, Marilyn Rudy-Froese, will help us reflect on the theme, Travelling Companions: staying centered and attuned to God's voice through the uncertainties of life. This theme will also guide our discussion of the future of WMCEC. Contact Pastor Alicia if you are interested in registering.

◆ **Meat Canner Leamington, April 29 – May 2**, Calling all canners - first timers and veterans! We are canning at Southwestern Ontario Gleaners located at 40 Industrial Road in Leamington. Please pray for the canning project as preparations continue. Available shifts will be as follows:

**Monday, April 29**, evening - 5-10 pm.

**Tuesday, April 30**, morning - 7 am-12 pm; afternoon - 12-5 pm;  
evening - 5-10 pm.

**Wednesday, May 1**, morning - 7 am-12 pm; afternoon - 12-5 pm;  
evening - 5-10 pm.

**Thursday, May 2**, morning - 7 am-12 pm.

**Volunteer Coordinator - Peter Fiss**

**First Aid Coordinator - Agnes Langeman**

**Security Coordinator - Art Warkentin**

Our 2019 fundraising goal is \$80,000. Our current account balance is \$36,582.64. Stay tuned for further updates. Thank you for your continued support. All donations are gratefully appreciated. Together We Can. Donations can be made through designated giving at participating churches, and the Meat Canner Leamington Fund at Kindred Credit Union.

## ◆ **MDS/MCEC Skilled Volunteers Needed For Hochma**

**Mennonite Church Montreal.** Mennonite Disaster Service ON is partnering with MCEC to assist our sister congregation in Montreal with their basement renovations. The goal is to provide a safe space in their community, and to also be used as a nightly warming center for the homeless. Lots has been accomplished but more skilled volunteers are still needed for drywall taping and finishing, painting, ceramic floors, kitchen installation and doors and trim. Contact Nick Hamm, MDS ON Unit Chair, at [hammnicholas.mds@outlook.com](mailto:hammnicholas.mds@outlook.com) or 905-401-3990 or Michel Monette, pastor at Hochma, at [michel.monette@hochma.org](mailto:michel.monette@hochma.org) or 514-653-0877.

## ◆ **Employment Opportunity**

**Leamington Mennonite Home Full-Time Maternity Leave Position.** We are seeking a full-time (33 hours per week) Kinesiologist or Physiotherapist Assistant to fill a one-year maternity leave. The position commences Monday, August 19 and continues to September 2020 with an initial orientation and training period. For more information, or to apply, please contact Jacquie Turnbull at [jacquie@mennonitehome.ca](mailto:jacquie@mennonitehome.ca) or at 519-326-6109.

*See bulletin board for the following . . .*

- **Mennonite Disaster Service**, March 13 update
- **Low German Forum**, May 10, Leamington

*See brochure rack for the following . . .*

- **Breaking Bread**, Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Winter 2019
- **Behind the Hammer**, Mennonite Disaster Service, Winter 2019

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# Youth . . .

► Jr. and Sr. Youth are invited to **Skyzone Trampoline Park** in Windsor, **Friday March 22**. We leave from the church at 5:15 pm to be at the park by 6:15. We'll jump from 6:30 to 8, then have pizza, home about 9:30 pm. Cost is \$25 per person, contact Pastor Alicia to register or if you need a ride to Windsor. Register by March 18. Friends are always welcome, and bursaries are available if needed.

► Interested people of all ages are encouraged to attend a lunch and discussion time after church on **Sunday, April 14** to imagine the future of NLUMC's youth ministry. Please bring a pot of soup, veggies, bread, or dessert to share. Youth are especially encouraged to attend, your voices are important!

► **Sunday, April 28**. Youth, parents and siblings are invited to visit the Windsor Mosque. We will leave the church at 3 pm to meet at the mosque at 4 pm. We will receive a tour of the Mosque with Imam Mohamed Mahmoud, participate in a question and answer session, hear a presentation on the Muslim religion, and eat together with our hosts. Out of respect for our hosts, women and girls are encouraged to wear longer dresses or skirts and long sleeves, and you may wish to bring a scarf to cover your head inside the mosque. Men and boys are encouraged to wear long pants and long sleeves. Contact Pastor Alicia to register by April 21 so we know how many people to expect.

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# Prayer List . . .

**Neighbouring Congregation** — Today area churches are praying for The Salvation Leamington Community Church (formerly Salvation Army) and their pastors; Brad & Wavie Webster.

**Each week MCEC, Mennonite Church Eastern Canada**, prays for one of our congregations. This week we are praying for Hamilton Mennonite Church, Hamilton, Ontario.

Please pray for all those impacted by the New Zealand mosque shooting. Pray also that the Christian community will stand in support of peaceful relationships with our Muslim neighbours.

Please pray for *Alex & Chani Wiens* and *Joel Epp* who intend to join NLUMC upon transfer of membership on Sunday, March 24.

Pray for the people participating in Faith Exploration classes this year: *Kyra Brown, Jacob Derksen, Curtis Driedger, Zoe Driedger, Adrian Gualtieri, Cameron Koop, Eric Pearson, and Megan Neufeld.*

Our prayers go out to the family of *Peter Lehn*, husband of *Lydia*, who passed away Wednesday, March 13. Visitation will be held at Reid Funeral Home today, from 7-9 pm. The funeral will be held at NLUMC on Monday, March 18 at 11:30 am with a meal to follow at the Heritage Center, Pickwick Drive, Leamington.

I would like to thank all the wonderful friends for the visits and prayers on my behalf. I am slowly recovering and hope my hibernation will soon come to an end. . . *With love, Marion Wiebe*

Pray for *Pastor Alicia (Billy & Natalia)* who are expecting a baby in mid-August. Pastor Alicia is expecting to begin maternity leave August 1, 2019 and return to full-time work near the end of August 2020.

*If you are aware of any needs within our congregation, please contact the church office so the Pastors and Caregiving Committee can offer our support. We are glad to be able to help!*

*We also 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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