



Sunday, April 21, 2019

Easter Sunday

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader: Kendall Jongejan Harder

Speaker: Alicia Good

Growing relationships, in Christ.

NLUMC Vision Statement

Order of Worship



HWB #257, *Were you there*, v 1,4,5

Welcome

Call to worship

Opening Prayer

HWB #273, *Low in the grave he lay*

HWB #280, *Christ the Lord is risen today*

Children's time

Offering with worship music —

Now the Green Blade Rises,

by John Macleod Campbell Crum & James E. Clemens

Easter litany

Worship music — Risen by Phillip Keveren & Steve Siler

Scripture reading — Luke 24:1-12

STS #89, *Christ is alive*

Message — God Makes the Impossible Real

Bringing your flowers to the cross/risen Saviour

HWB #614, *In the bulb there is a flower*

HWB #275, *Lift your glad voices*

HWB #274, *O sons and daughters, let us sing*

Easter prayer

HWB #118, *Praise God from whom*

Benediction

Next Sunday, April 28

► **8:45 am**, the final Faith Exploration class.

► **10 am, Jesus has the last laugh.** There is an old tradition being renewed across the wider church of celebrating a Bright Sunday or “Holy Humour” Sunday the week after Easter. Expect a fun-filled service to extend our joy in the resurrection; remembering that through the resurrection Jesus has the Last Laugh on the powers of sin, darkness and death. Come in bright colours, come

prepared to laugh in church because Easter's good news is really full of joy.
Text: John 21.

Church Life . . .

◆ **Community Meal.** Our next meal is **Wednesday, April 24** at St. John's Anglican Church, Leamington. Preparation begins at 1 pm, serving begins at 4 pm and we finish at approximately 6 pm. We are looking for volunteers to help out with the meal prep, serving and cleanup. Please contact Tammy Warkentin if you can help.

◆ **Rejoice Devotional** order forms are in your mailslots. Please return completed form and payment to Brenda Klassen by May 12.

◆ **Vacation Bible School, July 8-12 at LUMC**, 78 Oak St. E, Leamington, 9 am – noon. Hosted by NLUMC, Faith and LUMC Churches. Online registration at vbspro.events/p/dvbs for children moving into Grades JK – 6. Admission is free. 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 crafts, activities, and an amazing Hungry Herd snack center. CDs are available from the church office for \$10.

For more information, contact: Frieda Lepp at frieda.lepp@yahoo.ca, Jane Klassen at office@lumc.ca or phone LUMC at 519-326-2727. We are looking for help to make this wonderful week happen. Would you consider helping make snacks in the kitchen, be a group leader (lead groups of children from activity to activity), help with indoor and outdoor games, decorating, or bake cookies. Let's make this a truly, welcoming experience for the children of our church and community. Please join in. To volunteer, contact Frieda Lepp or Jane Klassen as above.

◆ **Upcoming Events** ◆

Sunday, May 5 – Testimonies & Baptism

Sunday, May 12 – Worship & Communion

Sunday, June 2 – Church Picnic at UMEI

Sunday, June 9 – Peace Party at Seacliff Park

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Matthew 28:6. Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed and joyful Easter.

◆ **Heritage Choir** practice, **Monday, April 22** at 2 pm at the Heritage Center.

◆ **Caring – Care in Grief** four-week support program sponsored by Reid Funeral Home. Orientation and dinner on **Tuesday, April 23**, 6:30 pm at LUMC, 78 Oak Street East. Classes continue April 30, May 7 & 14 at 7 pm. Please register by April 19 by calling 519-326-2631.

◆ **Meat Canner Leamington, April 29 – May 2**, One week until canning! Still require:

7 volunteers for the Tuesday, April 30 morning shift – 7 am - 12 noon.

8 volunteers for the Tuesday, April 30 afternoon shift – 12 noon - 5 pm.

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Volunteer Coordinator - Peter Fiss at (519) 999-8855, peter.fiss@gmail.com

Our 2019 fundraising goal is \$80,000. Our current account balance

is \$47,023.93 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.

◆ **Leamington Mennonite Home News**

▶ The Auxiliary is hosting a **Yard and Bake Sale** on **Saturday, May 4** from 8 am – noon. The Home will pick up larger, local items on Thursday, May 2. Please call Judy Ferrari at 519-326-6109 to make these arrangements. Donated baked goods will be thankfully accepted on Friday, May 3. All proceeds support the work of our ministry of eldercare.

▶ **Resident Visits.** We invite resident families, friends and members of our faith community to visit our residents in the Long Term Care Home and the Retirement Residence. We have been fortunate to remain outbreak free this past winter and spring but request those with colds, coughs, or runny noses to refrain from visiting so that we can maintain good health.

◆ **Soli Deo Gloria Singers Choral Concert, Saturday, May 4** at UMEI at 7:30 pm and **Sunday, May 5** at LUMC at 3:00 pm. Tickets: \$12 for adults, \$6 for children in advance, \$15 for adults, \$7 for children at the door. Available from choir members, Kindred Credit Union or UMEI, 519-326-7448.

◆ **Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News**

Annual Spring Banquet on **Saturday, May 11** at UMEI at 6 pm. Guest Speaker: Ken Neufeld, former Ambassador to Afghanistan. Tickets: \$30, available from Board members. Call 519-322-0456 for more information.

◆ **Mennonite Disaster Service Canada (MDS)** has two exciting opportunities to repair or build new homes after disasters in Canada.

- 1. Westport, Newfoundland:** MDS is building a house for a family of five who lost their home in a house fire in Westport, Nfld. The project begins on June 2 and will run till July 27, 2019. Weekly volunteers are invited to serve in up to two-week blocks. If serving for two weeks MDS will reimburse the cost of travel. For scheduling call Lucille Toews at 866-261-1274 or email ltoews@mds.mennonite.net.
- 2. Grand Forks, BC:** On May 10, 2018 a major flood hit Grand Forks, BC with much of the town engulfed in water. Beginning May 5, 2019 MDS will repair houses and possibly build new houses for those that flooded. MDS is scheduling weekly volunteers to serve for 1-3 weeks. Schedule your week(s) online or call 800-241-8111.

◆ **Employment Opportunity**

▶ **Leamington Mennonite Home.** This **part-time social-recreational position** includes portering to evening devotions and activities, meal assistance, snack deliveries and companionship. The position can be combined with school attendance providing the student enjoys working with seniors and frail elderly. Shifts include weekend and early evening activities. Contact Jacquie Turnbull, jacquie@mennonitehome.ca by April 23, 2019.

Youth . . .

- ▶ **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.
- ▶ **Junior Youth Retreat, May 10 - 12.**

See bulletin board for the following . . .

- **Mennonite Disaster Service, April 10 update**
- **Sleeping out at The Bridge, April 26**

- **Low German Forum**, May 10, Leamington

See brochure rack for the following . . .

- **Courier**, Mennonite World Conference
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Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today area churches are praying for St. Anthony's Parish, Maronite Rite, and their pastor Namatallah Eid.

Each week MCEC, Mennonite Church Eastern Canada, prays for one of our congregations. This week we are praying for Hochma, Montreal, Quebec.

The flowers in the sanctuary are in memory of *Peter Epp* who passed away April 11. Please continue to pray for the Epp family in their time of grief.

The *Southwestern Ontario Gleaners* would like to thank all those who attended our 7th Annual Fundraising Dinner & Auction on Saturday, April 13. Over 450 people attended, and it was a great success. Over \$80,000 was raised through ticket sales, silent & live auctions and from generous sponsorships. Thanks for your support!

The *Missions & Service Team* thanks all who participated in our Palm Sunday Paska Fundraiser. \$485 were raised for the Leamington MCC Meat Canner.

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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