



**Sunday, September 1, 2019**

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader: Marla Dault

Speakers: Herb Enns and Ken Enns

*Growing relationships, in Christ.*

NLUMC Vision Statement

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## **Order of Worship**

### **Christian Witness Through Helping Others**

Welcome

Hymn #407, *We are people of God's peace*

Announcements

Hymn #397, *God loves all his many people*

Call to worship

Worship music — “Amazing Grace” sung by Alina Pisteskaya

Ken Enns

Melodies of Molotschna

Dean Shoemaker

Herb Enns

Offering with hymn #391, *God, whose farm is all creation*

Sharing our joys and concerns

Prayer

Hymn #544, *When we walk with the Lord*

Benediction

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

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### ***Education Sunday, September 8***

► **10 am**, Welcome back! Sunday School resumes with a full roster of teachers! In worship, we will kick off our “new year” with a look at our vision statement: Growing Relationships in Christ, specifically thinking about growing faithful relationships in our homes and families (especially with the children in our lives). In this day and age, this is no easy task, and we all could use all the help we can get sorting out how and when and what to say when we want to share our faith with the children in our lives. Pastor Charleen will talk about “Everyday Family Faith.” Mark 4:26-34 - the Parable of the Growing Seed and the Parable of the Mustard Seed.

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## **Church Life . . .**

◆ **Greetings!** Every Sunday morning, our greeters are the first face and voice people meet as they enter worship at NLUMC. Consider being a friendly greeter. In the foyer there will be a sign-up sheet for the fall season. Fill in your name, your partner's name and even your entire family for a Sunday of greeting.

◆ **Sunday School Teachers' meeting, Tuesday, September 3, 7 pm.**

◆ **Sunset Service.** The sunset service is back, in a new location. Mark your calendars for **Saturday evening, September 14**, at the Northwest Beach pavilion within Point Pelee National Park. If you don't have a Pelee pass already, tell the front desk that you are with NLUMC, and we will cover your admission. Please RSVP by September 10 to Fred Dredger if you are planning to attend. People can carpool to get through the gates easier. Come early and enjoy the beauty of God's creation at Point Pelee. The sunset over Lake Erie from there has the potential to be gorgeous. Invite your friends! Bring your lawn chair! Bring bug spray!

◆ **Sunday, October 6.** Jesus says, "Love your neighbour as yourself." We want to meet some of the church's closest neighbours in a **Neighbour-to-Neighbour potluck event** sharing a meal with our international worker neighbours. We are experimenting with a new format, so that we can get to know one another better. A table will have 2+ NLUMC members, plus a translator (if needed), and the table will fill out 4+ international worker neighbours. Our capacity is approximately 15 tables; space will be limited. Please contact Debbie Janzen or Pastor Charleen for more information or to commit to a table.

◆ **New Email Address for —  
Fred & Linda Driedger —**

◆ **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 or the treasurer, Louise Neufeld, [treasurer@nlumc.com](mailto:treasurer@nlumc.com), if you have any questions.

◆ **Budget Update, December 1, 2018 – August 31, 2019** (75% of year) \$186,012.20 (58.6%) of our \$317,198.97 unified church budget has been donated. Give prayerfully, joyfully and generously as God has given to you.

TARGET	2019	ACTUAL
Nov 30—\$317,198		
Nov 1—\$290,763		
Oct 1—\$264,330	\$270,198	
Sept 1—\$237,897		
Aug 1—\$211,464		
July 1—\$185,031		Sept 1—\$186,012
June 1—\$158,598		Aug 1—\$170,088
May 1—\$132,165		July 1—\$152,100
Apr 1—\$105,732		June 1—\$134,203
Mar 1—\$79,299		May 1—\$111,721
Feb 1—\$52,866		Apr 1—\$85,529
Jan 1—\$26,433		Mar 1—\$60,322
Dec 1—0		Feb 1—\$44,322
		Jan 1—\$25,813
		Dec 1—0

**Shortfall  
\$51,885**

**The church office will be closed  
Tuesday, September 3 for the Labour Day Holiday.  
We will reopen on Wednesday, September 4  
with regular office hours;  
Tuesday – Friday, 9 am – 3 pm.**

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

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

**► Register now for the UMEI Lightning Bolt.** On **Saturday, September 28** at 9 am, UMEI will host the third annual 5/10 K Run, 5 K Walk, Kids 1K, and 400m Kids Dash at Point Pelee National Park. Registration online at **raceroster.com**. Register now for an early bird discount and an awesome lightweight long-sleeve hoodie!

► **Ground beef orders** are due in the office by noon **Wednesday, September 11** and will be ready to pick up Thursday, September 19.

► **Do you have a story?** UMEI students would love to hear it! The UMEI chapel program is seeking individuals or small groups of all ages – at any stage in your faith journey – to share your story with our students. So much can be learned from real life examples of faith, failures, and hope! Guests are typically welcomed for 15 min chapels on Wednesdays at 10:30 am but there is room for flexibility. Please contact Chani Wiens (wiensc@umei.ca) or call the UMEI office, 519-326-7448, if you are interested.

◆ **Heritage Choir.** Practice begins **Monday, September 9, 2 pm**, Heritage Centre, Leamington. **Returning singers and new singers** are very welcome. Let's sing again. Further information call Martha Janzen.

◆ **The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Leamington and Area Poor Boy Luncheon** is being held at the Roma Club on **Wednesday, September 11** from 11 am-1:30 pm. Proceeds from this event goes to our local Toys for Tots campaign, and to the Southwestern Ontario Gleaners. Tickets are \$8 in advance (available at the SWO Gleaners – 519-326-7687) or \$10 at the door. Lunch of beans & wieners, 3 kinds of vegetable soup and dessert will be served. Sponsorships/Donations are greatly appreciated for this fundraiser. Please contact Joel Epp, General Manager SWO Gleaners, for any further information.

◆ **It's time to Ride for Refuge** and you are invited! On **Saturday, October 5**, Kendall, Charleen, Tobias and Mattea Jongejan Harder are riding their bikes in the Annual **Ride for Refuge**. They will be riding to raise money for the programming of Mennonite Central Committee Ontario (MCCO) and they invite you to join them! If you enjoy riding a bike or want to help raise funds for the work of MCCO, this is your opportunity. MCCO invests the proceeds from the Ride into their Ontario programming which has significant impact with the vulnerable communities that they serve right here in Ontario. To register, go to: <https://rideforrefuge.org/register> and join the MCC Leamington team.

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

► The 2019 Gala is *A Passage to India*, with a venue of many colours, cultural beauty and special features such as a live auction, raffles and a signature meal. Tickets are available from the Home office, 519-326-6109, or Committee Members. Proceeds support the Retirement Residence: dining room and servery redevelopment.

◆ **Mennonite Disaster Service Seeking More Volunteers.** This Fall MDS has an urgent need for volunteers this fall, due to a rise in natural

disasters and inclement weather delays this spring. We are thankful for the many leadership volunteers who have stepped up this season and are ready to rebuild and restore homes. Even so, we need the help of our weekly volunteers who are the physical hands and feet of Jesus in Texas, South Dakota, California and more. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve a greater number of disaster survivors this season and we hope you will join us in our ambitious endeavor to bring more people home. “As I think of the thousands of pairs of hands that respond, rebuild and restore homes after a disaster, I am grateful.” Kevin King, Executive Director for MDS. For more information or to serve please visit [mds.mennonite.net](http://mds.mennonite.net) or call 1-800-241-8111.

### ◆ **Employment Opportunity**

The **Leamington Mennonite Home** invites applications for an **Emergency Response Worker in the Supportive Housing Department**. This position provides community support and medical emergency response to our residents that live within our various apartments and townhouses. A PSW Certificate is required. Send resume to Jacquie Turnbull at [jacquie@mennonitehome.ca](mailto:jacquie@mennonitehome.ca) or call 519-326-6109.

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*See brochure rack for the following . . .*

- **Behind the Hammer**, MDS, Summer 2019
- **Canadian Foodgrains Bank**, Impact Report 2019

*See bulletin board for the following . . .*

- **Mennonite Disaster Service**, August 28 update

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## **Prayer List . . .**

**Neighbouring Congregation** — Today area churches are praying for all new churches in Leamington.

**Each week MCEC, Mennonite Church Eastern Canada,** prays for one of our congregations. During the summer months, we are encouraged to pray for the churches in our area cluster. The Essex Cluster includes Leamington United Mennonite Church, Faith Mennonite Church, Harrow Mennonite Church, Windsor Mennonite Fellowship and North Leamington.

Our prayers go out to the family of *John Friesen*, brother of *Hilde & Peter Sawatzky*, who passed away on Sunday, August 25. A private service will take place at a later time. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Southwestern Ontario Gleaners.

*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 12 noon.*

*In case of emergency, please contact the church office or Ministry Team (Keith Klassen, Chani Wiens, Maida Tiessen) as Victor Winter is on call this weekend.*

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