



Sunday, January 19, 2020

Child Dedication

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader: Debbie Janzen

Speaker: Ken Driedger

Worship Music: Steve Enns, Roger Epp, Billy Good, Ken Tiessen

Growing relationships, in Christ.

NLUMC Vision Statement

Order of Worship

Welcome and announcements

Gathering with HWB #43, *Christ is our cornerstone*

Call to worship and opening prayer

Worship music — My Tribute

Affirmation of Faith HWB #714

Children's feature

Child Dedication: *Wrapped in God's Love*

Josiah Aiden Good, August 16, 2019

— son of William & Alicia Good

Audrey Lisabeth Epp, September 13, 2019

— daughter of Kevin & Emma Epp

HWB #167, *For God so loved us*

Offering with HWB # 311, *The church's one foundation*

Offertory prayer

Scripture reading — 1 Corinthians 3:11; Acts 4:12;

Ephesians 2:12-18; Revelation 7:17

Worship music — We shall rise

Message — Confident Enough to Act

HWB #337, *Ask ye what great thing I know*

Sharing time and prayer

Sending HWB #423, *May the grace of Christ our Saviour*

Benediction

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

Today —

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

▶ **11:30 am — Adult Education** in the sanctuary - *Boundaries*. See page 2 for more details.

Next Sunday, January 26

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

▶ **10 am** — 495 years ago, on January 21, 1525, early anabaptists in Zurich re-baptized each other; an event which marks a beginning for the anabaptist movement. There are now Anabaptists in every continent, and in many languages. Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday (formerly Mennonite World Fellowship Sunday) honours our history, and our global fellowship of churches. The theme is *Jesus Christ: Our Hope*, and our text is from Lamentations 3:19-26, a reflection on hope in times of despair. We will be sharing Communion.

As our Communion offering, you are invited to bring grocery store gift cards in low denominations (\$10/\$20/\$25) for distribution by SECC. As we are fed in Christ, so may Christ's love flow through us to our neighbours.

▶ **11:30 — Adult Education – *Boundaries*.**

Church Life . . .

◆ **On this Child Dedication Sunday**, we all re-commit ourselves to raising the children of this church to grow up in faith. As a part of our commitment to supporting the parents of this congregation in this God-given task of raising children to know God, we are distributing books entitled "Dear Parent" to our families. You should find them in your mailbox at church. The pastors will be happy to discuss the content of this booklet with you and wish you joy on the (sometimes bumpy) journey of parenting in faith.

◆ **Adult Education**

Are you in control of your life? If you are not sure, consider these questions:

- Do you have trouble saying, "No," to people?
- Do people take advantage of you?
- How do you answer someone who wants your time, love, energy, and/or money?
- Can you set limits and still be a loving person?

Starting **today**, Ken and Dawne Driedger will lead a 9-week Adult Education session for adults and teens after worship, 11:30 am, designed to help participants learn how to set and cultivate boundaries that can provide a framework for healthier relationships. Plan to participate and get better at knowing when to say, "Yes," and how to say, "No," to take control of your life.

◆ **Church Council meeting, Tuesday, January 21, 7 pm.**

◆ **Jam Session.** Interested in exploring different kinds of music in worship? Want to sing and play worship music? Looking for an opportunity to just have fun making music together. On **Friday, January 24** from

6:30 – 8:30 pm you are invited to a **NLUMC jam session**. Bring your guitar, your drums, your dulcimer, your flute, or just your voice. If you have music you would like the group to sing, bring that too. This will be an informal time of learning and making music together.

◆ **Youth Program Update and Survey**

This survey is for the entire congregation so please take a few minutes to review the survey, either on-line or print copy.

Print copies of the survey are available in the lobby or by request to the church office. Please place your completed survey (print copies only) in Joanne Brown's mail box at church **by Sunday, January 26**.

The on-line survey can be found at this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MSQ6HZL>

Please complete the online survey by **Sunday, January 26**.

Thank you, The Youth Team

◆ **Pizza Night, Friday, January 31** at 6 pm. Gather with your NLUMC friends at the Roma Club, 19 Seacliff Drive East, Leamington, to share food and fellowship.

◆ **Family Lunch!** Lunch is on us! Our next family lunch is scheduled for **Sunday, February 23**, hosted by Chani and Alex Wiens. Mark your calendars now for a relaxed time for families to connect with each other and our kids can build their friendships in an informal way.

◆ **Camping!** If you want to build community with other families, living life together out of doors for a few relaxing and fellowship-filled days at Wheatley Provincial Park, join us! Proposed dates are **June 26—28**, the first weekend of the summer break for elementary schools. The schedule is very relaxed, providing lots of time to live life together in a comfortable community style in a beautiful natural setting. We'll have campfire church at our site on Saturday evening. Contact Lindsey and Jason Ecker or Pastor Charleen for more details.

— **Upcoming Event** —

Annual General Meeting – Sunday, February 9

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **Heritage Choir Practice, Monday, January 20**, 2 pm at the Heritage Center. New singers are welcome to join the choir at any time.

◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

► **Early Registration for 2020/2021.** We are now accepting registrations for the 2020/2021 school year! Registration packages can be downloaded from umei.ca or picked up in the office. Have questions about classes, tuition, clubs, or anything in between? Our Director of Advancement, Sarah, welcomes you to reach out at sarahp@umei.ca or call 519-326-7448 ext 4. Get your Grade 9 application forms in by February 28 and receive a \$200 tuition credit and a UMEI T-shirt!

► **75th Anniversary Community Lunch - Sunday, January 26.** Join us as we kick-off the 75th anniversary celebrations in the first of five events! We will be serving a traditional Mennonite meal and birthday treats to celebrate this milestone! Peruse old year books, share old stories with friends, and walk around your old stomping grounds. Special anniversary service and event announcements to follow at 1 pm in the chapel. We are encouraging all alumni to attend for class and school reunion photos. Remember. Return. Reconnect.

◆ **The Annual Leamington Meat Canner Fundraising Luncheon** hosted by Leamington Meat Canner Committee on **Sunday, February 2,** at UMEI at 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. Admission by donation. The menu includes chili, fleisch perishky, borscht, buns, dessert, coffee and tea. Take out is available. For takeout call Robert & Barb Dick at 519-567-3249 by Saturday, February 1. Plan to attend and bring a friend!

◆ **Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News**

Travelogues —

Friday, February 7: *Gardens for all Seasons* by Helen Brown

Friday, February 21: *Canada's East Coast* by Vic & Helen Huebert

Friday, February 28: *Canada's West Coast by Train* by Cheryl Taggart

All are welcome at the Heritage Centre at 7 pm. Admission by donation.

◆ **Leamington Mennonite Home News.** We continue to welcome the help of volunteers at our Home. At this time we have a need for mealtime assistance. We invite those that are interested to contact Terri Epp at the front office, 519-326-6109 should you have an interest in volunteering. Thank-you for your consideration.

◆ **Silver Lake Mennonite Camp** (Call 519-422-1401 or check out our website <https://slmc.ca/> for any support related to camp!) *No brochures will be printed this year.*

- Registration opens **February 1 at 7 am for all summer camps.** Go to <https://slmc.ca/camp/summer-camp/> for more info. Space is limited so register early! Campership Funds are available.
- Registration is now open for **Women's Retreat (Feb 7-9), Couples Retreat (Feb 21-23), Family Camp (May 15-17) and Bruce Trail Hike (May 22-24).** Visit our Retreats page for more info.

- **Volunteer** at Family Camp (May 15-17), the Newcomer Family Holiday (May 29-31) or for a week this summer at Silver Lake. Go to <https://slmc.ca/camp/volunteers/> to apply.

◆ **Employment Opportunity. Summer Camps Coordinator.** UMEI Christian High School is looking for a university student to coordinate the school's summer day camps; specifically Camp Explore U for grades 3-6 students as well as Rockets and Robotics for grades 4-8 students. The successful candidate will be proactive in planning and developing the three week-long camp programs. The position runs from May 25 – July 31 and offers 30 hours/week. For more details contact Sonya Bedal at principal@umei.ca.

See bulletin board for the following . . .

- **Mennonite Disaster Service**, January 16 update
 - **Community Clothing Cupboard**, January 22
 - **The Giving Spoon & The Bridge fundraiser**, February 8 & 9
 - **Mental Health Seminar Series**, Anxiety in Children and Youth, February 26 & March 31
 - **The Marketplace, MEDA**, January February 2020
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Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today area churches are praying for the **Leamington United Mennonite Church** and their pastors; David Dyck, Mike Williamson and Zach Charbonneau.

With Pastor Charleen & family, we praise God that three months after her stem cell transplant, sister-in-law *Kim Jongejan's* bone scans are clear and she is in remission.

Please pray for *Fred Neufeld*, son of *Agatha Neufeld*, who is admitted in hospital at Toronto General with heart concerns, after an unsuccessful procedure.

Pray for *John & Diane Penner* as they transfer their membership to Leamington United Mennonite Church, February 19, 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 Charleen at 519-329-3829,

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