



Sunday, February 16, 2020

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader: Debbie Srigley

Speaker: Ken Driedger

Growing relationships, in Christ.

NLUMC Vision Statement

Order of Worship

Welcome

STJ #27, *God of the Bible*

Announcements

Call to worship — Isaiah 55:6-13

Hymn #545, *Be thou my vision*

Children's time

Offering with hymn #383, *God, whose giving*

Confession of Faith — Article 4, Scripture

Scripture reading — Psalm 119:105

Message — A light on my path

Song — *Thy Word* (on screen)

Congregational sharing and prayer

STJ #43, *My faith has found a resting place*

Benediction

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

Today —

▶ **8:45 am — Faith Exploration Class** is cancelled for the week.

▶ 10 am — The children are invited to join the morning worship service. No children's Sunday School.

▶ **11:30 am — Adult Education** is cancelled for the Family Day weekend.

Next Sunday, February 23

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

▶ **10 am —** Is science in conflict with religion? Does God still create now?

What does it matter in our day-to-day life that we claim God created the world? Does it affect how we might live? Does it even impact our peace-making stance? Consider questions like this with us on Sunday, February 23 as

we reflect on our Confession of Faith, Article #5, Creation and Divine Providence.

▶ **11:30 am — Adult Education:** *Boundaries*, session 4. If you ordered a participant's guide, you can pick it up from Pastor Ken.

▶ **Family Lunch.** Lunch is on us! Our next family lunch is hosted by Chani & Alex Wiens. Come for a relaxed time for families to connect with each other and our kids can build their friendships in an informal way. Parents, we will try to discuss some of the topics in our new "Dear Parent" guide for family faith formation. There will be a couple copies at church, or bring your own copy.

Church Life . . .

◆ **Greetings!** Thank you to those who have signed up for greeting on a Sunday morning. In the foyer is the next sign up form from March to June. Consider being a welcoming presence to all who come to NLUMC.

◆ **Ministry Team meeting, Tuesday, February 18, 7 pm.**

◆ **Community Meal.** Our next meal is **Wednesday, February 26** 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.

◆ **Listening to Families of Youth/Jr Youth.** The pastors are embarking on an intentional listening process to the families of youth and junior youth. We want to hear your experience with the church, your desires for the spiritual formation of your children/youth, and are open to general feedback. Please expect the pastors to contact you; if you have not received a contact, please let us know.

◆ **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 & Jason Ecker or Pastor Charleen for more details.

◆ **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting,** held on Sunday, February 9, are available in the foyer. The minutes were also emailed out on Friday, February 14.

**The church office will be closed
Tuesday, February 18
for the Family Day Holiday.
We will reopen on Wednesday, February 19 at 9 am.**

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **Heritage Choir Practice, Monday, February 17, 2 pm** at the Heritage Center. New singers are welcome to join the choir at any time.

◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

▶ **Student Pasta Dinner & Silent Auction – Friday, February 21, 5 - 7 pm.** Come out and enjoy our new student fundraiser, a pasta dinner, in the auditorium prepared by the students. Admission by donation. Students will also provide items/services to be auctioned off. Funds raised go toward school trips.

▶ **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!

▶ **Tickets on Sale Now - UMEI's 75th Anniversary Alumni Coffee House – Saturday, March 7.** We would like to invite all alumni and supporters to tap into your musical roots and join us at our 2nd anniversary event; the Alumni Coffee House! Featuring flash-back songs from all ages, skits, and solo performances. As alumni, we remember the music and theatre that flowed through UMEI, so call up your old singing group and get ready to make a comeback! The coffee house will take place at The Bank Theatre in Leamington. Doors open at 6:30 pm, the show begins at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$17/adult, \$15/student, \$20 at door. Tickets can be purchased at UMEI, at The Bank Theatre, or online!

◆ **Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News**

Travelogues —

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.

◆ **THRIFT ON MILL News. Wednesday February 26, 1 - 4 pm** we invite everyone to come and celebrate the retirement of our store manager, Randy Lepp. Come have a coffee and snack, share a story and visit.

◆ **Southwestern Ontario Gleaners News.** New Shift!!!Tuesdays 12:30-3 pm. Are you looking to volunteer? Are afternoons better for your schedule? Perfect for retirees, parents with children in school, or anyone who has some free time on Tuesday afternoons. Come join us by inspecting and cutting vegetables. We are looking for 15 + people to make this shift work. Perfect for new volunteers and/or those who prefer helping in the afternoon. (Time of arrival and dismissal can be flexible) Hoping to start on **March 3, 2020**. Please call or email to let us know your interest, 519-326-7687, swogleaners@gmail.com .

◆ **MEDA News.** The MEDA Leamington Hub has invited **Catherine Sobrevega**, *Deputy Country Project Manager - Myanmar*, to speak to our community on **Friday, March 6**, at Faith Mennonite Church at 7 pm. All are invited to FMC for a time of conversation about the work of MEDA in Myanmar, followed by coffee and dessert. Bring your families and friends.

◆ **Share your Table.** In this 100th anniversary year of MCC, you are invited to “Share your Table” and help over 70 million people worldwide who have been displaced from their homes by drought, conflict, flooding and other disasters. For as little as \$7 per month, you can feed a family of five for a day. Sign up at mccshareyourtable.ca.

Junior Youth...

Junior Youth Event - grades 5-8-Sports Night - this **Saturday, February 22**. Drop off at UMEI at 5 pm and pick up at 7 pm at church. Dinner will be served! RSVP on the remind app

See brochure rack for the following . . .

- **Canner Times**, MCC 2020
- **Behind the Hammer**, MDS, Winter 2020
- **Breaking Bread**, Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Winter 2020

See bulletin board for the following . . .

- **Mennonite Disaster Service**, February 13 update
- **Chilifest**, SECC, February 26
- **Mental Health Seminar Series**, Anxiety in Children and Youth, February 26 & March 31

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Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today area churches are praying for the **Leamington Church (Seventh Day Adventist)** and their pastor Laurentiu Prelipcian.

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

Please pray for the family of *Amanda Walsh*, wife of *Breton Walsh* and daughter of *Linda Driedger and the late Rudy Driedger*, who passed away Saturday, February 8, 2020 in Salt Lake City, Utah. A celebration of life took place on Friday, February 14 at the Federal Court House in Salt Lake City.

Please pray for *Bill (& Evelyn) Neufeld*, in Hospice.

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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