



Sunday, March 22, 2020 Fourth Sunday of Lent

The situation is changing rapidly and leadership at NLUMC wants to be clear about how we will communicate. Please look to the Website, the Facebook group and your email inbox for any updates. We will be worshipping online until further notice.

Growing relationships, in Christ.

NLUMC Vision Statement

Fifth Sunday of Lent, March 29

► **Our Worship Service will again be live-streamed on Sunday morning at 10 am. We will again post the service online on Sunday.**

Please keep in mind that all items
in the bulletin are subject to change.


If in doubt of events, please contact the agency directly
for current details.

Church Life . . .

◆ **Community Meal.** NLUMC will not be leading the meal on Wednesday, March 25.

◆ **Pizza Night** is cancelled this month.

◆ ***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 31.

 **Church Photo Directory Update.** At this time, the March and May dates for photography have been cancelled. We hope to pick this item up again in the future.

◆ **Donations to NLUMC**

Even though we may not be attending church in the sanctuary for the next number of Sundays, it is still good stewardship that we are receiving donations to cover weekly/monthly expenditures. Here are two options to consider.

- 1) Setting up an automatic transfer - a convenient way to make regular donations to the church. Please contact the church office to complete the necessary paperwork and provide a VOID cheque. These donations will be processed on the 15th of each month.
- 2) Also, in this time of self-distancing, we are suggesting that people could send an E-transfer. On your personal on-line banking page you would email the transfer to: Louise Neufeld, treasurer@nlumc.com. Be sure to include your donation # in the message of the E-transfer, in order for us to credit your Donor # for your weekly donation.

Please contact Susan Klassen, church office, 519-326-7928 or office@nlumc.com; or Louise Neufeld, treasurer@nlumc.com with any questions. Give prayerfully! Give joyfully! Give generously as God as given to you!

— **Upcoming Events** —

Sunday, April 5 – Palm Sunday

Friday, April 10 – Good Friday & Communion

Sunday, April 12 – Easter Sunday

The church office may not always be open from 9 am – 3 pm.

Please call in advance if you plan to come to the church

during weekdays, 519-326-7928.

Thank you

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **Leamington Mennonite Home News**

First and foremost, we would ask for your continued thoughts and prayers as our staff and residents navigate this difficult time. Currently, we remain outbreak free and we thank God for looking over us.

We continue to have a non visitation policy in place. We ask that you not attend the Home to visit residents until we have been advised otherwise by the Ministry of Health. At this time, we anticipate that this non-visitation directive will remain in place for several more weeks.

Until further notice we have cancelled all volunteers coming to the Home. We have also cancelled all non-essential personnel coming to the Home. We have made alternate arrangements for the delivery of Meals on Wheels and Diner's Club. The Annual Meeting has been postponed indefinitely and the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be cancelled. The Easter Fellowship Meal will take place but for Retirement and Long-Term Care residents only!

For those of you that have residents at the Home, we would like to offer the option of video visiting. Please contact the Home for more details about how to set up a screen chat with your loved one!

◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

▶ **UMEI Hours of Operation – March 23-April 3.** As many of you may have heard, Ontario publicly funded schools will be closed for two weeks after March Break due to COVID-19. UMEI will follow suit and close for two weeks as well. Classes will resume Monday, April 6. If you need to contact the school for any reason during the two weeks, please call the office 519-326-7448 or email office@umei.ca. Messages will be checked periodically.

▶ **Interested in hosting International Students?** It is with great excitement that UMEI Christian announces that we are in the process of making arrangements to have International Students attend UMEI starting September, 2020. These students will be primarily from China and will need a Homestay family or host family to take them in while they are in Canada and doing their schooling at UMEI. If you are interested in this opportunity, please email Sonya Bedal – principal@umei.ca – for more details.

▶ **The 75th Anniversary Celebration Continues!** Call up your classmates and get your co-ed teams together because registration is now open for the Alumni Volleyball Tournament on **Saturday, May 2!** To register visit: umei75th.ca/volleyball-tournament-signup. 6 players minimum. \$150/team. We hope you'll join us! Remember. Return. Reconnect.

◆ **Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News**

The Spring Event (EKMHA), with guest, John Braun, has been cancelled.

◆ **Southwestern Ontario Gleaners News**

▶ **Annual General Meeting** of the SWO Gleaners on **Saturday, April 4** has been postponed to a future date.

▶ Southwestern Ontario Gleaners' **Annual Fundraising Dinner and Auction** is **Saturday, April 18** at 5:30 pm (dinner at 6:30 pm) at the Portuguese Club in Leamington. Tickets are \$50 each and are available at the SWO Gleaners. Please consider attending this event, support by giving a sponsorship donation, or donate a silent auction item. For more information please call 519-326-SOUP (7687).

◆ **Meat Canner Leamington, April 27 – 30**

Five weeks till canning! We are canning at Southwestern Ontario Gleaners located at 40 Industrial Road in Leamington. Please pray for the canning project as preparations continue. See below for available shifts:

Mon. April 27, evening: 5 – 10 pm

Tues. April 28, morning: 7 – 12 noon afternoon: 12 – 5 pm eve: 5 – 10 pm

Wed. April 29, morning: 7 – 12 noon afternoon: 12 – 5 pm eve: 5 – 10 pm

Thurs. April 30, morning: 7 – 12 noon

Volunteer Coordinator - Peter Fiss, 519-999-8855 or peter.fiss@gmail.com

First Aid Coordinator - Agnes Langeman, 519-776-5615

Security Coordinator - Art Warkentin, 519-326-2181

Our 2020 fundraising goal is \$70,000. Our current account balance is **\$25,983.01**. 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.

◆ **To Follow is a List of Grocery Stores** in the area with details.

Keep in mind that this information is current, as of March 20, 2020. This information could change at any time.

Leamington

- 1. Anna's Flowers.** 519-326-3409, You can call them with a list for curbside pickup.
- 2. Colasanti's.** 519-326-3287, If you order food from the kitchen you pick up the order and can also buy vegetables there otherwise Colasanti's is closed for retail.
- 3. Food Basics.** 519-322-1414, 8 am-8 pm. Go early and late when shoppers are more sparse. No ordering or pickup. No special hours for seniors.
- 4. Freshco.** 519-322-0713, 7 am- 8 am Seniors only. No deliveries.
- 5. Real Canadian Super Store.** 519-322-1371, 7 am-8 am Seniors only, No deliveries.
- 6. Shoppers Drug Mart.** 519-326-2663, Open 8-9 am seniors every day. Deliver prescriptions no charge.
- 7. Thomson's Guardian.** 519-326-5778, No separate hours. Prescription delivery free. Hours 8:30-7pm M-F. 8:30-5 pm Saturday.
- 8. Walmart.** 519-326-3900, All open. No special hours. 7am-10 pm Mon - Saturday, Sunday 8 am-8 pm. Pharmacy as well

Kingsville

- 1. Freshco.** 519-733-8227, 7 am-8 am. Seniors start March 20. No delivery and no ordering
- 2. Zehrs.** 519-733-6556, 8 am- 8 pm. No special orders. No deliveries.

Junior & Senior Youth . . .

All events are cancelled at this time.

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Prayer List . . .

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

Please pray for *Harold (& Susan) Klassen* as Harold deals with cancer.

Please pray for *Henry Janzen* and his family as they continue to walk the journey with pancreatic cancer.

Please pray for *Philip Friesen* who was injured in an altercation.

Please pray for *Fred Neufeld* in hospital.

*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,
Pastor Kendall at 519-329-1514 or Pastor Ken at 519-819-3772.*

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