



Sunday, August 30, 2020

Please look to the Website, the Facebook group and your email inbox for any updates as well as the weekly online bulletin.

If you know of someone from our congregation who does not have access to the internet and is socially isolated, please let the pastors know so that contact can be established.

Growing relationships, in Christ.

NLUMC Vision Statement

We have shifted our worship mode to Zoom so we can all worship together from our own homes on Sunday at 10 am. Please check the email this week for the link. You will click on the relevant link at that time, and zoom will automatically open on your computer or phone. You can also access the gathering by phone by calling the relevant number. Our hope is that this will enable good interaction during worship as we see each other's faces and hear each other's voices. We can record the service and have that available at Pickwick on Tuesday night, as well as the link to the recording sent to you by email.

Order of Worship

Announcements – HWB #596, *And I will raise you up*

Call to worship

Prayer

Children's time

Offertory prayer

Song – HWB #567, *How firm a foundation*

Sharing & congregational prayer

Scripture reading

Message

Benediction

Next Sunday, September 6 . . .

Join us for worship as Pastor Alicia brings the message.

Church Life . . .

◆ From Pastor Alicia —

Hi North Church! This is my first Sunday back and I'm really looking forward to preaching! I'm going to be looking at Jeremiah 29:11 and exploring how we find hope... even when things feel pretty hopeless in our messed-up world. This will be part 1 of 2. Part 2 — I'm going to be looking at Paul in Philippians and how God was present even during some seriously anxious moments. I hope you can join us online by Zoom or check out the service later when we post it online!

As always, if you'd like to connect with a pastor, we are here to support you. Please don't hesitate to call the church office! (519-326-7928) Pastors Charleen, Kendall and I would love to make an appointment to talk with you in a safe, physically distanced way. We may be online, but we are a community and we are here for you when you need it!

◆ **Prayer Time, Wednesday, September 2, 6:30 pm.** Check your email for the Zoom link.

◆ **Financial Update**

This is the last Sunday in August – which marks 75% of our calendar year. We have been asking for donations (sooner than later) to avoid any shortfall situations in our expenditures. So we again encourage donations for this Sunday, August 30 so that we have a good understanding of our forecasted budget.

Donations to NLUMC

- 1) Automatic transfers – contact Susan
- 2) E-transfer – email treasurer@nlumc.com - include donation # in the message
- 3) leave donation in the nightly drop box at Kindred Credit Union – labelled NLUMC - include donation #
- 4) mail donation to church address

Contact Susan Klassen, office@nlumc.com; or Louise Neufeld, treasurer@nlumc.com with any questions.

◆ **Reopening Plan Fall 2020**

In these strange pandemic times that we are living through, we acknowledge that one of the many things that we are missing is meeting physically together as a worshipping community. We are missing seeing each other, singing and praying together physically, and even being in our familiar church building. In Acts, the early church met mostly in homes and we know that the church is not the building and it isn't meeting together physically. We are still the church without these things. But that doesn't diminish our longing to meet together and to be in our church building even if many things will be different.

Please read the **attached document in the Thursday, August 20 email** for all the information in our plan to reopen the church.

◆ **New Contact Information for —**

Ken Driedger – 226-350-6215

Ken & Dawne Driedger – driedgerfam@gmail.com

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ **UMEI Christian High School News**

► **Register for the 2020/2021 School Year.** There are still spaces at UMEI Christian High School for the 2020/2021 school year, and we'd love to have you join us! We have a detailed re-opening plan in place to keep students and families safe as we return to on-campus learning*. If you have any questions, or would like more information, please e-mail office@umei.ca or call 519-326-7448.

*UMEI students will be on campus five days a week, taught four courses a day, and will be following a two-semester schedule.

► **UMEI welcomes Maria Hudders on September 1.** We are pleased to announce that Maria Hudders will be joining our team and teaching Math and Science, in September! Maria is originally from Leamington and is looking forward to teaching students in her hometown.

► **Follow us on Social Media.** You can follow us on Facebook or Instagram for the most up-to-date information surrounding back to school!

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today area churches are praying for **First Baptist Church** and their pastors; Mike Sealy and Jason Peasley.

Each week MCEC, Mennonite Church Eastern Canada, prays for one of our congregations. This summer we are encouraged to pray for the churches in our Essex Cluster; Leamington United Mennonite Church, Harrow Mennonite Church, Faith Mennonite Church, Windsor Mennonite Fellowship and North Leamington.

*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, contact Pastor Alicia at 519-819-3772.*

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