



Sunday, September 20, 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
Welcome
Opening
What we love about NLUMC
Song — Come, now is the time to worship
Children's feature
Offering and prayer
Sharing our joys and concerns
Pastoral prayer
Song — I love to tell the story
Scripture reading — Psalm 106:1-15, 42-45
Message
Song — Awesome God
Benediction
Conversation and fellowship

Next Sunday, September 27 . . .

Join us for worship as Ed Dickson joins our morning worship service.

Church Life . . .

◆ **Prayer Time, Wednesday, September 23, 6:30 pm.** Check your email for the Zoom link.

◆ **Financial Update**

Contribution Statements were mailed last week. Be sure to look for your individual summary of church giving and we ask you to prayerfully consider how you can further assist in the unified budget of our church. The end

of August marked 75% of our church fiscal year. Total donations to date are \$181,866.90 toward the \$325,155.53 Unified Budget. We are very thankful for the response that we have received this far for the work of NLUMC. Give Prayerfully! Give Joyfully! Give Generously as God as given to you!

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.

Community/Conference Events . . .

◆ UMEI Christian High School News

▶ **Back to School Update.** The 2020-2021 school year is underway and we are blessed to have all of our staff and students back on campus! There are still spaces available for this year both in-person as well as online and we'd love to have you join us! Questions? E-mail office@umei.ca or call 519-326-7448.

▶ **Upcoming Fundraisers.** We have several fundraisers this month! To place your orders, please email office@umei.ca or call 519-326-7448.

Vista Gift Card Order: Orders are due by September 21, noon.

Pie Fundraiser: Orders are due by September 23, noon.

▶ **SleepingOUT Fundraising Event.** This year, UMEI is participating in the SleepingOUT for The Bridge event on Friday, October 2. This event challenges participants to sleep outside for the night with a sleeping bag and cardboard to raise critical funds for our local youth resource center. To learn more about the event, or to sponsor UMEI, head to www.thebridgeyouth.ca !

◆ Leamington Mennonite Home News

Dear Supporting Church Member,

The **Annual General Meeting** for the Leamington Mennonite Home will be held on **Tuesday, September 29** at 7pm via Zoom. If you would like an electronic copy of the annual report, please contact the church or the Leamington Mennonite Home. Alternatively, hard copies of the report are also available for pick-up in the foyer of the Long Term Care Home at 35 Pickwick. We would kindly ask that you contact the Leamington Mennonite Home front office at 519-326-6109 by noon on Monday, September 28 to advise of your participation for our Zoom AGM. You will be asked to provide an e-mail address for a Zoom invitation destination.

◆ Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News

Annual General Meeting, Friday, October 2 at 7 pm via Zoom. All are invited to attend via Zoom. Please call Jill Nicholson at 519-322-0456 or email jillanicholson@yahoo.com to obtain the invitation to attend the meeting via Zoom.

◆ **Silver Lake Mennonite Camp** will be hosting fun retreats this fall. All Covid-19 health and safety recommendations/protocols will be followed. Visit the SLMC website to register and to see more [Retreat Details](#). Come to camp to enjoy some much-deserved time in nature!

- **Fall Hike** (Oct 16-18) Sleep at camp in a private room and spend Saturday hiking nearby on the beautiful Bruce Trail. Meals included. Price: \$181.

◆ **Meda Leamington Hub Network**

A BIG THANK YOU to all those who participated in our “First Ever Virtual Move-aThon”! Great pictures were posted! With matching funds our total raised to date is \$48,000. Thank you to UniFab and Neil and Tina Quiring for providing the matching funds! If you still wish to contribute to the project, please designate your funds to MEDA Leamington Hub Ukraine Project!

Prayer List . . .

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

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

Thank you for all the prayers on our behalf. Following a health crisis and hospitalization last Sunday, Harold is now home and recovering slowly. . . *Harold & Susan Klassen*

*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,
or Pastor Charleen at 519-329-3829 or Pastor Kendall at 519-329-1514.*

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