

# Sunday, April 17, 2022 Easter Sunday

Worship Service — 10 am

#### **Connect with NLUMC**

- Join our live Zoom worship services online.
- Check out our church website at <a href="nlumc.com">nlumc.com</a>, including YouTube videos of our past services.
- Get updates on our ministries by joining our Facebook group.
- See photos of what we are doing on our Instagram page.
   Contact the church office or any of our pastors for more information.

Growing relationships, in Christ.

## **Order of Worship**

Seeking God's Way... From Certainty to Openness.

Prelude

Words of welcome

Opening hymn, VT #346, Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Call to worship

Special music — In Christ Alone

Scripture reading — John 20:1-18

Bringing flowers to the cross

VT #348, Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

VT #333, Low in the Grave

VT #340, Lift Your Glad Voices

Offertory prayer

Hymn, VT #353, Now the Green Blade Rises

Children's time

Special music — Because He Lives

Scripture reading — 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Message

Hymn, VT #350, The Strife is O'er

Congregational prayer

Hymn, VT #355, Thine is the Glory

Benediction

The Easter StoryWalk "Twas the Morning of Easter" is all set up in the church basement and ready to view today, before and after worship. Come! Follow the footprints!



Thank you to our participants today including: Judy Cornies, Helga Enns, Madison Hamm, Charleen Jongejan Harder, Tobias Jongejan Harder, Jordan Neufeld, Megan Neufeld, Debbie Srigley, Bob Tiessen, Sandra Warkentin.

## Church Life ...

♦ COVID Protocols Changed. NLUMC continues with the wearing of masks and social distancing. We continue with open windows for ventilation and air flow. Hand sanitizer is available. As the weather becomes nicer, please move outside quickly after the worship service and let's have greetings and visitation outdoors. We ask everyone to consider their personal risk as they return to the church sanctuary. We realize that there is a definite benefit to build relationships in Christ when we come together under the same roof, therefore, we encourage more people and our young families to return to worshiping together in the sanctuary as you see fit. We do not want to let our guard down. We hope and pray for health and wellness for all.

We would like to have Greeters in the lobby again before church, so please sign up on the Greeters Schedule in the lobby.

- ♦ **Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, April 20** from 6:30 to 7 pm via Zoom. Contact the church office if you do not have the Zoom link. This is the final prayer meeting of the season.
- ♦ Church Council Meeting, Wednesday, April 20, 7 pm.

#### **♦ Church Council News**

We heard from many that we would like more times of congregational discussion and conversation together, so we are planning a **Membership Meeting** for **Sunday**, **April 24** at 11:30 am in the church sanctuary after the morning worship service. See attachment on the Thursday, April 14 email for the agenda. As always, if you have any feedback or want to share anything please contact a member of Church Council.

... Brenda Fischer, Council Chairperson

- ♦ The MCEC Annual Gathering will take place on April 29 & 30 in Ancaster, Ontario. NLUMC is asking for three delegates and one Youth delegate to represent us at this annual meeting. Pastors Charleen and Kendall Jongejan Harder will be attending. Please contact Susan in the church office if you require more details or if you would like to represent our church membership as a delegate.
- ♦ **NLUMC Sign.** We are looking for someone to change the NLUMC outdoor sign weekly. If you would like to volunteer for this position, please contact Susan at the church office, 519-326-7928.



# **Resurrection Sunday Reflection Questions**

When has your certainty of "the way things are" been rolled away to reveal openness to God's ways?
When you look beyond what you think you know, what do you see then?

### ♦ NLUMC Would Like to Create a "Drivers List."

Occasionally, some of our members may need to be driven to medical appointments if they do not have a family member available to do so. If you would be willing to drive, please submit your name to Susan in the church office. She will keep a running list, and as needed she would share your contact name with a family needing this service.

### **♦ Donations to NLUMC are accepted by —**

- 1) Automatic transfers contact Susan
- 2) E-transfer email treasurer@nlumc.com include member # in 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, <u>office@nlumc.com</u>; or Brenda Klassen, <u>treasurer@nlumc.com</u>.

# **Community/Conference Events...**

- ◆ Learnington Mennonite Home News. On Tuesday, April 19 the Learnington Mennonite Home Board will be holding its Annual General Meeting via Zoom call at 7 pm. Anyone interested in the affairs of the Home is invited to attend. Annual reports will be presented, and corporate members will be voting on several items on the agenda. A quorum is required for this purpose. Corporate members can confirm their attendance with the LMH front office by phone (519-326-6109) or email (samantha@mennonitehome.ca) − if you are unable to attend, you may designate another member of your congregation to serve as your proxy (contact the LMH Board Chair, Helga Enns (helgaenns@gmail.com) by Monday, April 18 if you plan to use a proxy). Members of the general public/church congregations should contact the LMH front office to indicate your attendance at the meeting. A Zoom invitation will be sent out on Monday, April 18 to all attendees.
- ♦ Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association Event. *Journey through the Greenhouse Industry; Then and Now* by Ken Enns on Friday, April 22 at the Heritage Centre, 7 pm. All are welcome, admission by donation.
- ♦ The Giving Spoon & The Bridge Fundraiser Lunch, Saturday, April 23 & Sunday, April 24, 11 am – 2 pm, 310 Sherk Street, Leamington. All donations support The Bridge.
- **♦ UMEI Christian High School News**

Membership Meeting, Wednesday, May 4 at 7 pm.

The UMEI Board is recommending the following to association members:

- The implementation of a new leadership model on a two-year interim basis, to be reviewed at the end of the two years;
- 50% tuition for two years
- Free transportation for two years, with continuing transportation after that;
- And a face lift for the school.

Further details about this meeting will come in the following weeks.

### **♦ Silver Lake Mennonite Camp Events**

- The Grand Paddle & Hike 2022: Join us for SLMC's annual fundraiser! Participants will do their own hike, walk, run, or paddle in their own community on the weekend of May 6-8. (A few group hikes are planned in the KW region.) Proceeds from this fundraiser will support Silver Lake and 10% of funds raised will go towards MCC's Ukraine Emergency Response. To sign up or donate, visit our <a href="Fundraising Site">Fundraising Site</a>!
- AGM: May 7 at 10 am on Zoom. Visit <u>www.slmc.ca</u> for meeting link.
- Spring Work Weekend: April 29-May 1. Click here to sign-up!
- **SLMC Online Campfire: April 24** at 7pm. For all ages. Visit our <a href="https://homepage">homepage</a> for campfire link!
- **Volunteers** needed at SLMC this summer! Go to <a href="style="style-type: square;">slmc.ca/camp/volunteers</a> for more info and to apply.
- Spots available in most overnight camps, outtrips and off-site day camps. Go to <a href="https://www.slmc.ca">www.slmc.ca</a> to register!

#### **♦** Employment Opportunities

- 1. UMEI Christian High School invites applications for the full-time position of Administrative Assistant whose responsibilities include general office administration, data entry and working with a variety of people, including staff, parents, students and supporters. If you have strong computer skills, excellent oral and written communication skills, and good people skills we would love to hear from you! Please submit resumes to Sonya Bedal at <a href="mailto:principal@umei.ca">principal@umei.ca</a>.
- 2. Thrift On Mill, Associate Workroom. Full Time 37.5 hours/week, Canada Life Benefit package. Working alongside our fantastic Thrift On Mill team and for the very good work of MCC.

  <a href="http://mcccurrentopenings.force.com/recruit/fRecruit\_ApplyJob?vacancyNo=VN2951">http://mcccurrentopenings.force.com/recruit/fRecruit\_ApplyJob?vacancyNo=VN2951</a> Applications must be submitted online via this link. Questions? Contact Cindy Epp at 519-326-3665 ext 312 or <a href="mailto:cindyepp@mcco.ca">cindyepp@mcco.ca</a>

#### **Land Acknowledgement**

We acknowledge that we are gathering on the traditional territory of indigenous peoples. In Leamington, we gather on the traditional, unceded territory of the Caldwell First Nation, and the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations comprised of the Ojibwe, Odawa, Potawatomi and Huron/Wendat peoples. We give thanks to the Creator and to those peoples who have stewarded this land for generations.

# Junior Youth

CONNECT JR is online Tuesday, April 19, at 7 pm.

Friday, April 22, 7-9 pm at NLUMC. Gargon Night, active games around the church.

# Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, let us remember Calvary/St. Mary's Anglican Churches on Pelee Island.

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

Pierogies for Peace was a rewarding, successful initiative. Thanks to over 50 people from our church and community who volunteered their time to roll/fill/pinch potato pierogies to raise funds. It was considerably more work than we first realized, but we enjoyed our time and far surpassed our original goal of 3,000 pierogies. Thanks to everyone who purchased pierogies and also donated extra funds to MCC-ON to provide Ukraine Relief! We made 5,080 individual pierogies and so far, \$9,380 has been forwarded to MCC. Many hands working together! Thanks again from the bottom of our hearts for supporting *Pierogies for Peace* for Ukraine Relief.

. . . Shirley Driedger, Carrie Izsak, Brenda Fischer

If you are aware of any needs within our congregation, please contact the church office so the Pastors and Caregiving Team can offer support.

We also invite you to let the church office know of any requests for visitation by phoning 519-326-7928 or emailing office@nlumc.com

In case of emergency, contact a Pastor listed below.

#### **Pastors**

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