



Leamington United Mennonite Church

Sunday, August 30, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.

Speaker - Anita Janzen, Worship Leader - Helen Rempel

Joy To The World.	Welcome and Announcements
	Call to Worship - #660
	Opening Prayer
	Songs - 'Joy to the world' #318 'I come with joy to meet the lord' #459
	Scripture Reading - Psalm 98
	Mennonite World Conference 2015 - David & Nancy Dyck
	Prayers of the People
	Giving our Gifts Worship Music
	PMT Announcement
	Children's Dismissal Worship Music
	Sermon - 'Carol and Confession' A. The Christmas Carol 'My soul is filled with joy' STJ #13 B. Sidebar on Joy 'Joyful is the dark' #233 C. The Confession of Faith 'Joy to the world' #318
	Blessing
	Sending Words

*Worship Music - Neufeld Family, Organist - Kathy Driedger
Song Leader - Tom Overton, Powerpoint - Bill Konrad*

W O R S H I P W A L K W I T N E S S

Welcome ...



Welcome to our Visitors - To all our visitors today, we welcome you in the name of Christ. We are delighted that you have joined us for our worship service and hope you sense God's presence among us. If you have a personal need or would like more information about the church please fill out a Welcome Card in the pew rack in front of you and put it in the offering plate. After the worship service you are welcome to join us for coffee and fellowship in the auditorium. We look forward to meeting you and getting to know you.

Church Education ...



During the summer there will be a children's activity for children ages 3 - 8 after the children's story in Classroom # 1.

*Sunday School
Offering*
Aug 23 - \$17.65

1. Planning continues for the fall Sunday School. We are looking for teachers for the 3 year old class, for singing and for the gym time. Please consider volunteering. Contact Shannon Dyck or Frieda Lepp if you can help.
2. Teachers, please come to get your classroom ready on Sept. 1 from 6:30-8:00. We will have a short meeting at 7:00 to talk about the materials, the weekly schedule, Circle of Grace and the SMART Board.

September 13 - Kick Off Sunday - Sunday School Classes Begin.

Youth Ministry

Jr. Youth - The Jr. Youth are invited to cool off for a summer swim at Mark and Sherri Epp's house **today** 1:00-3:00pm. Cold drinks and treats will also be served.

Sr. Youth - The grade 9 & 10 students are invited to Mark and Sherri Epp's house for one final swim of the summer on **Wednesday September 2nd 6:30-8:30**. Please RSVP to Mike.

The grade 11 & 12 Sr. Youth Deacons are invited to the church for their first Deacon Dinner of the year on **Monday August 31, 6:00-7:30 at LUMC**. Please RSVP to Mike.

A New Series...A New Bible

This fall your PMT wants to lead you into a period of time in which we all study the scriptures together. We're calling our series: **A Season of Reading: Walking Together in the Word**. We're going to start at the beginning of the Bible and over the next 18 months we plan to read through most of it. To help us in this task we want to give **each household** a new study Bible. We've been using this *NIV Student Bible* for a couple of years in Catechism class, and it has been very well-received and appreciated. It includes many study aids and tools. You may have never seen a Bible like this one. We ask that you take a Bible for your household, and give us \$25 to defray the cost. And then we want to get reading together! In the next 2 weeks we'll be introducing a Bible reading plan that will guide our reading together.

Church Education ...

Sermon Related Questions for discussion.

1. What gives you a deep joy that is almost impossible to describe?
2. Do you agree or disagree that the fear of "dark" is intrinsic?
3. Is the church a place where we find both joy and dark? Do we identify either or both? How?
4. Is there something to the statement that singing in harmony contributes to our peace theology?

Church in Action ...

German Service

Sunday, September 13, 2015, following the worship service.

Come and join in a time of singing the most familiar German hymns with Kurt Schachowskoy accompanied by Martha Janzen.

Small Groups...

Going Deeper in Faith and Friendship

At LUMC we value community and the kind of relationships we can have as brothers and sisters in Christ. There are more than 20 small groups in our church that are designed for this purpose. Our small groups come in all shapes and sizes and include Bible study groups, book clubs, discussion groups, support groups, and friendship groups. Are you interested in going deeper in your faith or deeper in your relationships? Let us know how we can help you find a group that's right for you. Fill out a "Welcome Card" and place it in the offering plate or in one of our mailboxes.

Your Small Group Coordinators,

David Dyck, Lois Konrad, Marvin Dueck, Alison Dyck

Dates/Meetings/Events - To help keep our calendar up to date and our congregation informed of upcoming dates for meetings and events, please email or call the office. Dates will be added to the back page of the bulletin.



How to become more missional in your workplace.

This week's suggestion ...

Ask someone who others typically ignore if you can grab them a soda/coffee while you're out.

LUMC Neighbourhood Carnival - LUMC will be holding its 6th Annual Neighbourhood Carnival on Saturday, September 19. Everyone young and old are welcome and encouraged to join us for some food, fellowship and fun. We welcome and extend our friendship to our neighbours in the Oak Street area. If you would like to help or have questions, please contact Mary Tiessen.

Welcome Table - If you are able to assist at the welcome table, please contact the office.

Fall Education Hour ... Begins September 13

We are looking forward to another exciting year in our Education Hour. Listed below are the electives that will be offered this Fall beginning Sunday, September 13. Classes run from 11:00-11:45am. Don't miss this opportunity to grow your faith and deepen your relationships with your church family.

1) The Challenge of Parenting Teacher - Victor Winter

Is there any of our life-tasks that is more challenging and more rewarding than being parents to our children? In this course we want to share our wisdom as we come together to talk about our parenting roles. We will use Dr. Gordon Neufeld's *Hold on to your Kids* as a resource. All parents are welcome! It promises to be a lively class...

2) Walking Together in the Word: Reading the Bible as Anabaptists

Teachers : David Dyck and Mike Williamson

In this class we will read the Bible together using our weekly scripture readings in the NIV Student Bible as our guide. The following questions will guide our discussion and application of the Biblical text.

How does this text help us to follow the great commandment of Jesus: **to love God and to love each other?**

What did this story mean to God's people when it was first written? What does it mean to them today?

How might an Anabaptist reading of this text be different from other Christians?

How does this text fit into the big story of God's work, saving the world and making all things new?

How does this passage whisper the name of Jesus? How does it anticipate his coming and his mission in the world?

What does this passage reveal to us about God; about ourselves; about sin and about salvation?

What don't we understand about this story text? What questions are left unanswered?

3) Biblical Mythbusters Teacher: Rudy Dyck

We often say and believe things and relate them to our faith, but how many are rooted in Scripture and how many are myths? Join us to discuss some common 'myths' such as "Everything Happens for a Reason", "All Religions are basically the Same", "The Bible is unreliable and can't be trusted" and more. We will discuss how these myths originated, how they relate to our faith and how we engage with people outside our faith.

Youth Class: Echo the Story - Genesis Teacher - Mike Williamson

From creation to the formation of the church, students will experience the biblical narrative through storytelling, creative reflection, and dialogue. The first six weeks we will explore the story of God and his people in the book of Genesis.

Get Involved ...

School Supplies Distribution - September 1 at SECC

SECC and Salvation Army Family Services are pleased to offer Free School supplies to families who might not be able to afford them. Supplies are made available through donations from the community, and Staples-Donate To Educate Program and Monarch Basics.

Distribution takes place at SECC on September 1 from 2-8pm. See the bulletin for more information.

HERITAGE CHOIR is beginning!

NEW members are very welcome. Practices begin Monday September 14, 2015 at 2 p.m. at Heritage Centre. Come join us as we sing songs of our Faith - English and German, old and new. Practices are only one hour every Monday. Help us GIVE GOD GLORY with music! For further information, contact Martha Janzen: -519-326-5243.

Save the date for MCC Ontario's Fall Conference

At Peace and Unafraid. Learn how MCC is working for peace and justice around the world. Sat Nov 14, 9-3:30 pm, Bethany Community Church, 1388 Third Street, St. Catharines

Bike to Grow - Help us celebrate Mary and Sarah's amazing journey for "Bike to Grow". Join us on Sept. 5 at the Leamington Marina for a family friendly BBQ. Doors open at 5 p.m. There is no charge but donations are welcomed. For those who wish you can ride with Sarah and Mary on the last portion of the ride from Waterloo to the Leamington Marina. If you are not able to attend this event you are welcome to donate to the cause. As a chapter our goal is to raise \$50,000 towards the "Bike to Grow" goal of \$150,000. Come help us celebrate.

Aamjiwnaang First Nation "Toxic Tour" - September 4 & 5.

Essex Cluster Mennonite Churches are invited to join with Peter Haresnape of Christian Peacemaker Teams (CPT) to visit the Anishinabe people of Persons of all ages from Essex Cluster Mennonite Churches are invited to participate in this event. For teachers and students, it will be an excellent opportunity to get a head start on the school year by learning about Aboriginal justice issues, which are now being incorporated into the Ontario public school curriculum at the intermediate and high school levels. It's also an important opportunity for persons of all ages to learn about the vital importance of caring for God's created world, and our Christian calling to partner with God in walking of people who are marginalized and oppressed (Psalm 103:6). This event is open to anyone who is interested. You can check out the website, <http://aamjiwnaangsolidarity.com/2015/06/13/toxic-tour/> or contact Pastor Alicia alicia@nlumc.com for more information including carpooling.

Community Events ...

Leamington Mennonite Home News

Leamington Mennonite Home Gala – 50 Years of Caring

50 Years of Caring is being celebrated on October 24, 2015 at our annual Home Gala. This special Gala features special raffles, new Silent Auction collectibles, and a stunning champagne appetizer table. Tickets are available from Committee Members or from the Front Office of the Home. Donation receipts in the amount of \$100 will be issued for each ticket and all proceeds support the Debt Reduction Project for the Long Term Care Home. We invite everyone to a memorable evening at which we will celebrate 50 Years of Caring.



German Calendars - The Leamington Mennonite Home invites orders for the 2016 Neukirchener Kalendar (German Calendars with devotional) an ideal German Christmas gift. Neukirchener Abreiss – Kalendar \$23

Neukirchener Buchausgabe \$23

Neukirchener Grossdruck Buchausgabe \$26

Please place your order with payment at the Leamington Mennonite Home no later than Friday, September 25th.

1 Pickwick Place Relaunch - Everyone is invited to a relaunch of 1 Pickwick Place Condominiums on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the UMEI Chapel. Come and hear about the new design of the building and its features. Information packages will be given out at this time. We look forward to sharing the new design drawings with the community and prospective residents.

Part Time Employment at NLUMC, Youth Leader Position

.5 FTE Position. Who has a genuine relationship with Jesus Christ and an appreciation for Anabaptist/Mennonite values.

Responsible for - planning and facilitating biweekly Youth events
- building relationships with the Youth
- providing leadership for service and learning experiences

1 year post-secondary education required. Apply with resume to Personnel; Linda Driedger: linda7ruth@gmail.com or call 519-326-2173.

UMEI Christian High School News

Thank you to everyone who attended **UMEI's 4th Annual Surf &**



Turf held Friday, August 21st at **Mastronardi Estate Winery**. Your support helped to make it a great success! A special thanks to our **generous event sponsors**: *Dr. Caroline Hamm, Dr. Luther Heys, Pyramid Farms (Jason Tiessen), Stewart's Roofing and Siding, Ricci, Enns, Rollier & Settingington, Hub International (Phil Cornies), Martin & Suzanne Tiessen*. The evening was filled with outstanding food, entertainment, and silent auction items generously donated by community supporters and local businesses. All proceeds from the event will go towards the **UMEI Difference**. We look forward to seeing you at next year's event. Planning is already underway!

Application for the 2015/2016 school year - If you haven't applied yet, or have interest in a Christian Education at UMEI get yourself over to umei.ca and see what a private, individualized education looks like. Call Admissions Director Chrissy Kelton for a personal tour at 519-324-5257 ext 4.

Having trouble hearing worship service?

If you or someone you know is having trouble hearing the worship service, please see one of our deacons. They would be glad to help you. Hearing aids are available at any time.

Joys and Concerns ...

Pray For ...

All of our students and teachers as they return back to school this Fall.

Notice of Death ...

Selma Taves (89) passed away on Tuesday, August 25, 2015. Family and friends will be received at the Reid Funeral Home today, Sunday, August 30 from 2-4pm. A memorial service to celebrate Selma's life will be held on Monday, August 31 at Reid's at 1pm. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Pray For ...

AnaSara Rojas's assignment with Mennonite Church Canada in South Korea draws to a close at the end of August. AnaSara currently assists with leadership and children's ministry in two Anabaptist congregations – the Dream Church and the Peace N Joy Church. Pray for AnaSara during this time of transition.

Remembering Our Neighbours...

It is good to remember that we are all part of the large Christian fellowship. This week, please pray for Wheatley Evangel Tabernacle.



In an effort to foster community among the members of LUMC, the bulletin features a section for members to share their joys and concerns. We will remember to pray for these people in the coming week. Note: Names submitted must have the individual's consent.

Calendar of Events...

Summer Worship Service
10:00 a.m. - Family Worship
11:00 - 11:45 a.m. - Refreshments
& Fellowship in the lobby

- Aug 30 - Jr. Youth - 1-3pm
- Aug 31 - Sr. Youth Deacon Dinner - 6-7:30pm
- Sept 1 - Sunday School Teachers - 6:30-8pm
- Sept 2 - Sr. Youth - 6:30-8:30pm
- Sept 13 - Kick Off Sunday - 9:45am
 Sunday School & Education Hour Begins
- Sept 13 - German Service following Worship
- Sept 13 - Jr. Youth - 2pm
- Sept 17 - Sr. Youth - 6:30pm
- Sept 19 - LUMC Community Carnival - 11:30-2
- Sept 22 - Kids Club - 6:00-7:30pm
- Sept 25 - Jr. Youth - 6:30pm
- Oct 17 - Windsor Symphony Orchestra:7:30pm



Check out LUMC's new website at www.lumc.ca.

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Office Hours:
 9am-3pm- Tues-Fri
 Closed Mondays

Our worship service is
 being videotaped and
 broadcast at LMH.


*Thanks for
 making
 LUMC
 scent free!*

2015 Bible Reading

- Aug 31 - Mark 7:14-23
- Sept 1 - Mark 7:24-37
- Sept 2 - James 1:1-18
- Sept 3 - James 1:19-2:17
- Sept 4 - Song of Songs 5:2-6:3
- Sept 5 - Song of Songs 6:4-8:4
- Sept 6 - Song of Songs 8:5-14

Offering: August 23, 2015

General -	\$ 4,520.00
Building -	\$ 525.00
Total =	\$ 5,045.00