



Leamington United Mennonite Church

Sunday, March 5, 2017 - 9:45 a.m.

First Sunday of Lent

Speaker - Mike Williamson, Worship Leader - Victor Winter

Therefore,

if anyone

is in Christ,

the new

creation

has come:

The old

has gone,

the new

is here!

Call to Worship

Songs- 'Sing praise to the Father' (Screen)
'Rain down' #49 STJ

Prayer

Scripture Reading - Acts 9:1-22

Song - 'And can it be?' (Insert)

Scripture Reading - 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

Prayer of Confession

Song - 'The river' (Screen)

Prayers of the People

If you have personal prayer requests, please write them out on the back of a Welcome Card and place them in the offering plate or in the Prayer Room. We will pray for these requests in our daily morning prayers.

Giving our Gifts

Song - 'Outskirts of Heaven'

- Chris Warkentin & Spencer Neufeld

Children's Story

Sermon - 'Christ Means Change'

Song - 'We are people of God's peace' #407

Benediction

Coffee and Fellowship

Annual Meeting - Sanctuary - 11 a.m.

Organist - Helen Brown, Scripture Reader - Alexander Epp

Children's Story - Jennifer Driedger, Worship Music - Levite Choir

LUMC Tech Team - Bill Cornies, Mitchel Hildebrand, Hayden Epp,

John Braun, Paul Barkovsky, Hunter Fulmer

W O R S H I P

W A L K

W I T N E S S



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 foyer. We look forward to meeting you and getting to know you.

Church in Action ...

Refugee Family Update - Over the past 4 months, much has been done by our Refugee Committee to assist the Albek family in their transition to Canada. It has been a very busy time with forms, applications and numerous appointments. The children have adjusted well to their new school at Queen Elizabeth Public School. Their English has improved significantly. Unfortunately, the parents have had great difficulty in adjusting to life in a small town and feel Kingsville to be very isolating. There were efforts by MCC to re-locate the family to Toronto, but unfortunately this did not work out. Last week, a decision was made by Immigration & MCC for us to discontinue the sponsorship with this family and let them continue on their own. We agree with this decision and feel it is best for both parties, but are disappointed. We are appreciative of the generosity of so many people in making this family feel welcome. We wish them the very best in finding happiness in this country.

Next Sunday, March 12, 2017 - Daylight Saving Time

Remember to turn your clocks forward 1 hour.

Parent/Child Dedication, Grandparent/Grandchild Dedication - April 2

Volunteers needed for DVBS - July 10 - 14, 2017 at UMEI

The Education Committee is looking for 2 or 3 individuals who would be willing to help plan this summer's Daily Vacation Bible School. DVBS takes place at UMEI and is a joint venture of LUMC, NLUMC and Faith Mennonite Church. Please prayerfully consider this request. DVBS is an important ministry to our children, grandchildren and the children of this community. If you are able to help, please contact Jonathan Dick at jonathan34502@gmail.com.

Education ...

Education Classes - Today, Sunday, March 5

Today, during Adult Education time, you are invited to join the Pastoral Ministry Team in the Sanctuary as they reflect and share on the work of the church in 2016. This is a time to learn more about what happens here at LUMC on Sunday and throughout the week, the work of the Pastoral ministry team and also an opportunity to ask the Pastoral staff questions, offer feedback, and discuss together ministry of LUMC. Your presence and input matter, so please join us!

No Education Classes next week, March 12.

Education Classes will resume Sunday, March 19.

LUMC Annual Meeting & Potluck Lunch - Today, Sunday, March 5

Plan to join us for this important meeting. The minutes from last year's Annual Meeting are posted on the bulletin board for your viewing. During Education Hour you are invited to join the Pastoral Ministry Team in the Sanctuary as they reflect and share on the work of the church in 2016.

You can find the Annual Meeting Reports on our website. Go to the Members section, the password is LUMC1929.

Potluck Lunch - If your last name begins with A - H please bring a dessert; if your last name begins with I - Z please bring a main course dish or salad.

Following the lunch the Annual Meeting will resume in the sanctuary.

Babysitting will be provided.

Youth Ministry

No Sr. Youth Sunday School Today

Due to the annual meeting, there is no Sr. Youth Sunday school today. Youth are however, encouraged to come and listen to the Pastoral Ministry Team during the education hour.

Students who are baptized are reminded that they are **full members** and are encouraged to attend the annual meeting.



Sunday School News ...

Mar 5 - Jesus and the Samaritan Woman

Mar 12 - March Break, No Sunday School.

There will be a children's activity following the children's story with Frieda Lepp.

*Sunday School
Offering*

Feb 26 - \$38.60

German Service - Sunday, March 12

Join in the sanctuary for a German service with Linda Tiessen. The service will begin immediately following Family Worship.



8 Cities - Next City - March 26 - Jerusalem

Check our website at www.lumc.ca for more information.

Get Involved ...

Personal Care Drive - The Missions Committee is planning a Personal Care Drive for the month of March. We will be supporting St. Leonard's House in Windsor. They are in need of these items for their residents. St. Leonard's House contributes to a safer community by providing innovative, transitional support and crime prevention programs that enable adult offenders to become law-abiding and productive citizens.

Throughout the month of March you may bring all donated personal care items to the church. There will be a container located by the bulletin board, where these items can be placed.

The list of items they are most in need of are:

- Shaving cream
- Disposable Razors
- Aftershave
- Small bottles of shampoo
- Tooth brushes
- Deodorant
- Combs

They are also in need of some medical/pharmacy supplies:

*Employees dispense medication when required.

- Tylenol
- Advil
- Cold/flu Medicine

Thanks for your support to this project.

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LUMC 2017 Phone Directory

- Please check the phone directory in the narthex.
- Check for any changes or corrections.
- Please cross out the incorrect information and write in the change.
- Add any email addresses or phone numbers.
- Thanks for helping to keep our records up-to-date.

Get Involved ...

The MCC Meat Canner has been an inspiring part of the Leamington community for almost 20 years. The committee that plans and coordinates each year's meat canning event is in need of a few more members. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact Barry Bergen at barrybergen@mcco.ca. Thank you!

Welcome Your Neighbour Signs - Extend the peace of Jesus Christ in your neighbourhood. Available at MCEC, 201-50 Kent Ave., Kitchener for pick up. \$10 (cost) each or a small donation. Bulk signs are available for pick up for MCEC congregations. [For more details see www.mcec.ca](http://www.mcec.ca) or contact Jane at the office, lumc@mnsi.net or call 519-326-2727.

MEDA Spring Banquet - March 11 - Crosshill Mennonite Church

All are welcome to the Mennonite Economic Development Associates (MEDA) Spring Banquet March 11th at Crosshill Mennonite Church. The main speaker for the fundraiser is Helen Loftin, MEDA's Senior Vice President Marketing and Communications. Special musical guests are The DixonStrings. Doors open at 6:15 and the cost is \$40 Adults and \$20 Students. You can register by visiting www.MEDA.org/waterloo, calling [519-725-1633 ext. 100](tel:519-725-1633), or emailing Katie at kbrox@meda.org. Registration deadline is March 6.

Southwestern Ontario Gleaners Spring Banquet - April 1 - 6:30pm

Southwestern Ontario Gleaners would like to thank everyone for their continued support. Our annual banquet will be held at Colasanti's on April 1st. Tickets are \$35 - available at the Gleaners, Rob Konrad or from Jane at the church office.

Mennonite and Brethren Marriage Encounter Weekend - April 21-23

At Jericho House near Port Colborne. Marriage Encounter is an invitation to come away from the world, to spend an entire weekend focusing on your relationship with each other, working toward God's ideal for marriage. For more information contact Rose Brubacher at 519-741-1711 or email roseb@gtc.net. Visit www.marriageencounterec.com.

WMCEC Presents Spring Enrichment Day - Saturday, April 22, 2017

Women of MCEC invite **women of all ages** to St Jacobs Mennonite Church, April 22, 2017.

Registration and Coffee 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Program 9:30 am - 3:30 pm.

Guest speaker - Carol Penner

Topic: "Body and Soul" Singing, Scripture, Stories, Sharing

Offering towards WMCEC Conrad Grebel Scholarship.

Community Events ...

UMEI Christian High School News ...



Family Night - Calling all Grade 8s! Whether you are registered for the 2017-2018 UMEI school year or are thinking about joining our UMEI family we invite you to join us for our Annual Family Night. This is an evening of food, fellowship and entertainment on Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 6:30pm. RSVP to the UMEI office at office@umei.ca or 519-326-7448. We hope to see you here!

2017/2018 Registration - Choosing the right high school is one of the most important decisions you'll ever make. At UMEI we focus on whole person education, which means we are preparing you for whichever path you choose to take after high school, whether it be college, university, or the workforce. We are thinking about your future. Book a tour with Admissions Director Chrissy Kelton and see if UMEI Christian High School is the right choice for your family. Visit umei.ca to book your personalized tour or email chrissy.kelton@umei.ca

Zwieback & Raisin Bread - Zwieback & raisin bread orders are due in the office by noon **Monday, March 6th** and will be ready to pick up Wednesday, March 8th. **NOTE:** This will be the last opportunity for the school year to purchase raisin bread. Zwieback will still be available in April & May.

Leamington Mennonite Home News ...



The Home invites all seniors to the following information sessions held at 9:30 a.m. in the J.C. Neufeld Place of Fellowship:

- *Tuesday, March 14, 2017 - Creating A POA
Linda Tiessen, Administrator
- *Wednesday, March 22, 2017 - Supplies for An Independent Living
Laurie Adams, Thomson Guardian Drugs
- *Wednesday, March 29, 2017 - New Medication Information
Mark Vickers, Pharmacist, Thomson Guardian Drugs
- *Wednesday, April 5, 2017 - Fighting the Flu
Mariel Konrad, RN, Director of Community Services & Accommodations

Palliative Care Volunteers - Our Home is inviting volunteers who are interested in joining a Palliative Care Committee to a luncheon on Thursday, March 16, 2017 in the Meeting Room at 12:00 (noon). Palliative Care volunteers sit with a dying resident who has no family or during times of family reprieve. Please contact Terri Epp at terri@mennonitehome.ca or at 519-326-6109 by Thursday, March 9, 2017 if you are interested in attending the luncheon.

Corporate Members Meeting - A Corporate Members meeting will be held on Monday, March 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the J.C. Neufeld Place of Fellowship. Information has been sent out to all members of this group.

Annual Meeting - We invite everyone to a time of information sharing, discussion and planning followed by a Coffee Hour on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 in the J.C. Neufeld of Fellowship. The plans for the North Pickwick will be presented for discussion and review. Annual Reports will be in church mailboxes on Sunday, March 19, 2017.

Bulletin Board Info ...

- UMEI Family Night - March 23
- MDS Update
- 'The Music Man' - March 24-25 - Conrad Grebel University
- Southwestern Ontario Gleaners Banquet - April 1
- WMCEC Spring Enrichment Day - Saturday, April 22, 2017
- Mennonite & Brethren Marriage Encounter - April 21-23

Joys and Concerns ...

Pray For ...

We want to continue to remember for our young adults in their work and their studies. This week we pray for Kaylie Dyck who is working in Windsor.

Thank You ...

The LUMC Sr. Youth Group would like to thank everyone who came out to the Pancake Tuesday Fundraiser. Your generous support allows our church to continue to do wonderful work with our youth and young adults.

Pray For ...

Keep our pastoral search committee in your prayers as they begin meeting to discern future staffing. Erwin Tiessen is the chair of that committee.

Pray For ...

Remember the 7 youth and young adults who gather every Sunday morning at 8 a.m. for catechism. It's a time of important decision-making in their spiritual lives.

Pray for ...

March 10-11 MC Sask delegates, members, and guests will be gathering together with the theme of **Extending the Table: Enough for All**. Pray that the bread and the cup will nourish all who are present, and that it might be a time of hope and joy as we gather in the presence of the Spirit to discuss and worship together.

Remembering Our Neighbours ...

It is good to remember that we are all part of the large Christian fellowship. This week, please pray for Mount Zion Full Gospel Church.



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 ...

Family Worship Service
9:45 am - Family Worship
10:45 am - Coffee Break
11:00 am - Education Hour

Mar 5 - 1st Sunday of Lent
 LUMC Annual Meeting/Potluck Lunch

Mar 12 - 2nd Sunday of Lent
 German Service after Family Worship
 Daylight Savings Time

Mar 19 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

Mar 26 - 4th Sunday of Lent
 8 Cities - Jerusalem - 6:30pm

Mar 28 - Last Oak St. Kids for this Season

Apr 2 - 5th Sunday of Lent
 Child Dedication Service

Apr 9 - Palm Sunday

Apr 14 - Good Friday/Communion - 10am
 LUMC Office Closed

Apr 16 - Easter Sunday Service - 10am

2017 A Season Of Reading

**Children's Shine On
Readings**
 Elisha Turns Back
 the Soldiers 110
 King Josiah Follows
 God 112

March 6 - 12

Monday - Matthew 6 (Guided Tour)
Tuesday - Matthew 7 (Reflection)
Wednesday - Matthew 8
Thursday - Matthew 9
Friday - Matthew 10 (Reflection)
Saturday - Acts 12

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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!*

Offering: Feb 26, 2017

General	\$11,935
Church Renovation	\$ 60
Building Fund	\$ 650
Other Designated	\$ 500

Total = \$13,145