



Leamington United Mennonite Church

Sunday, November 22, 2015 - 9:45 a.m.

Memorial Sunday

Speaker - Erwin Tiessen, Worship Leader - Linda Tiessen

Genesis 50:24

*Then Joseph said
to his brothers,
"I am about to die.
But God will
surely come to
your aid and take
you up out
of this land
to the land he
promised on oath
to Abraham,
Isaac and Jacob."*

Call to Worship - Psalm 103:13-18

Song - 'Praise, my soul, the King of heaven' #65

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading - Genesis 50:24, Revelation 7:9-17

Choir - 'By Gracious Power' (Screen)

Lighting Candles of Remembrance (LUMC Members)

Lighting Candles of Remembrance (Friends of LUMC)

Prayers of Remembrance and Intercession

Children's story

Giving our Gifts

Song - 'Healer of our every ill' #377

Sermon - 'God kept the promise'

Song - 'I know that my redeemer liveth' (Bulletin)

Benediction

*Organist - Helen Brown, Scripture Reader - Frieda Lepp
Children's Story - Linda Kipping, Song Leaders - David & Nancy Dyck
Powerpoint - John Krueger*

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

A God who Grieves

When I am beside myself with grief--

Jesus, you are there beside me.

When my mind reels and I feel like I'm falling—

Jesus, you are the fixed point that does not move.

When grief's bands tighten around my chest—

Jesus, you are the oxygen I breathe.

When the ache in my heart is the only thing I feel—

Jesus, save me.

You who wept with sorrow and with fear,

thank you for staying with me in this hour,

this hour of grief.

By Carol Penner

Church Education...

Fall Education Classes - 11:00-11:45 a.m.

1) The Challenge of Parenting: Teacher - Victor Winter, Location - Board Room
Topic - Today we'll look at how peer-oriented often refuse to group up; they're stuck in immaturity.

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

Teacher: David Dyck, Location - Sr. Singing Room

Topic - In the midst of all the complexities and perplexities of the Old Testament what is abundantly clear to us about God's saving purpose for our world? Using both Old and New Testament scriptures we will explore the meaning of salvation.

3) Bible Mythbusters Teacher: Rudy Dyck Location - Choir Room

Myth - "There are no such things as miracles. Science is all that matters in what we can observe and measure."

Part two of this class will continue to discuss miracles, consciousness and the soul as well as near death experiences and how they impact our faith.

Youth: Echo the Story - Genesis:

Teacher - Lisa Heide, Location - Youth Room

**Youth
Ministry**

Jr. Youth - A quick reminder that there is no Jr. Youth today (Sunday) as Mike is away. Parents, please check your email for details on next week's event.

Sr. Youth Lock-In Fundraiser Friday Nov. 27th - Just a reminder that the Sr. Youth Lock-In is this coming Friday at 6:30 until Saturday at 11:00am at LUMC. Students will be taking shifts to read the entire New Testament.

***There is an opportunity for the congregation to participate! Here's how:
The church is invited to listen to youth reading the New Testament publicly from 7:00-8:00pm at LUMC on Friday night.***



Teaching Schedule

November 22 - Nathan Confronts King David
November 29 - The Path to God's Promise

**Sunday School
Offering**
Nov. 15 - \$24.20

Children and parents, mark December 13 on your calendars.

On that Sunday morning children will have the opportunity to bring gifts to the front of the sanctuary during the children's story. These gifts will go to the Salvation Army and will be distributed to needy families.

Practice for the Christmas Eve programme continues. Thank you for bringing your children every Sunday. The children are becoming very familiar with the music. Thank you Amy Toews and Christine Tiessen for your work in preparing the actors and singers for the Christmas Eve presentation.

Adult Study Group Meeting - Thursday, Nov. 26th at 7.00 pm at LUMC

Topic "Imagining a Future" - part of our continuing series **Painting the Stars**. A welcoming group to those who want to explore issues of Christian faith, the church and religion in the 21st century.

Advent Singing - 9:35 am - The season of Advent has many familiar songs and carols that we look forward to singing. Throughout Advent we will have a 'Congregational Singing' prelude where we will sing Advent and Christmas songs together. Singing begins at 9:35am and the worship service begins at 9:45am.



How to become more missional in your neighbourhood..

This week's suggestion ...

Start hosting a play date weekly for other stay at home parents.

Ways to Give...

LUMC Donation Summary (As of November 22)

Budget is \$528,200 **Actual to date** is \$422,100
Amount needed per Sunday to reach budget in the
final 7 giving opportunities is \$15,157

LUMC AFT Donations for November- Automatic Funds Transfer is available from any financial institution for donation to our church (budget or building fund). Contact the church office to set up this convenient method of donating on a regular basis.

Nov. AFT: General Fund: \$7315.00 Building Fund: \$890.00

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth

I know that my Redeemer lives. Job 19:25

>1. I know that my Re-deem-er liv - eth, And on the earth a - gain shall
 2. I know His prom - ise nev - er fail - eth, The word He speaks, it can - not
 >3. I know my man - sion He pre - par - eth, That where He is there I may

stand; I know e - ter - nal life He giv - eth, That grace and
 die; Tho' cru - el death my flesh as - sail - eth, Yet I shall
 be; Oh, won - drous tho't, for me He car - eth, And He at

pow'r are in His hand. I know, I know that Je - sus liv - eth,
 see Him by and by. I know, I know
 last will come for me.

And on the earth a - gain shall stand; I know, I know
 And on the earth I know, I know

that life He giv - eth, That grace and pow'r are in His hand.
 That grace and pow'r

Optional Segue to "What If It Were Today?"

TEXT: Jessie B. Pounds
MUSIC: James H. Fillmore

HANNAH
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Church in Action ...

Announcement from Refugee Committee - The Refugee Sponsorship Committee has received approval from LUMC to sponsor a family. A 3 bedroom house or apartment is needed. The LUMC house is occupied at this time and has only 2 bedrooms. If you know of a house or an apartment please let Lana Hildebrandt (326-9016) know. The apartment/house should be centrally located in Leamington, enabling access to local schools, shopping and the public bus transit system. We are trying to host a 6 member family. We will also be needing furniture, bedding, other linens, dishes and toys. We do not want to start collecting yet, but if you have some furniture that could be available please let one of the committee members know. A new account is being set up and you are encouraged to give to this above budget project. Cheques are to be made to LUMC and then marked with Refugee Fund. We are looking forward to being very busy, very soon. Thank you for your prayers, item contributions and monetary contributions. Once the family is here we will also need some time commitments as we help the family settle into the Leamington community.

Committee members are:

Mary Tiessen, Frieda Lepp, Carl and Cathy Schartner, Gisela Schartner, Sidney Sellick, Patti Russell, Lana Hildebrandt, Joel and Andrea Warkentin, George Hildebrandt, Henry Hildebrandt with Mary and Patti as co-chairs.

Visitation Committee - Card Signing - November 24th at 7 pm

Come ready to sign Christmas cards. Feel free to bring Christmas snacks.

Community News ...

Et Cetera Shoppe News - We hope to recruit volunteers to clean, prime, sand and paint the walls at our new shop on Mill Street. If you can help, please call or email. Additional savings (about \$500) will occur if we can borrow a few items. We will need:

1. a Swiffer will probably work best to prepare the walls for paint; we will provide the cloth refills; \$88
2. the head of a pole sander; i.e. it can accommodate a piece of sandpaper, about 8 3/4" by 3 1/4" and is able to accommodate a pole; \$171
3. poles about 4' or 5' or 6' long that has a threaded end to accommodate the head with the sandpaper; \$45
4. hand sander; about the same size, but has a handle to be used by hand, not on a pole; \$72
5. Brooms (sweep or push) and dust pans; \$90
6. paint roller handles and trays; we will provide the rollers; \$56

Total cost is just over \$500 if we have to buy them; please call or email today, thanks. If you are able to help or if you have any of these items and are willing to lend them to us (make sure your name is on them) for a few weeks in late November or more likely early December, please call Vic Huebert (519-326-4718 home) or email (vhuebert@live.ca). Thanks!

Lights of Life - December 6th at 7pm - Dedicate a bulb and let the Christmas spirit shine on your hospital & your community. Funds raised by this event will be used for Spiritual Care for families and friends in their time of need.

Community Events ...

UMEI Christian High School News



Autumn Campaign - UMEI's Annual Autumn Campaign is now underway.

Please contact the school by calling 519-326-7448 or emailing office@umei.ca for more information. Thank you in advance for your generous support!

UMEI Open House - All are welcome to the UMEI Open House on November 25th from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. For those interested in joining our UMEI family, you will receive valuable information which will help you make this important decision. You will get a glimpse of how your generous donations are used to create a truly vibrant & dynamic Christian school environment. UMEI has been providing Christian Education for 70 years - spend an evening with our students, parents, and faculty and experience what it looks like today.

Matt Epp Concert - International recording artist Matt Epp will perform at UMEI on Sunday, Nov. 29 at 7:00 pm in a fundraising concert for UMEI and Mennonite Church Canada peace building ministries in the Philippines. Matt will be joined by the UMEI Vocal Ensemble on selected songs. Tickets: \$12 (advance) \$15 (door) will be available locally as well as online – watch for more info to come.

Shop UMEI Gift Cards – Due November 30th Specialty gift cards for additional stores and restaurants can be purchased through the office or at www.umei.ca/shop-umei. **This will be the last order before Christmas.** Cards will be ready to pick up on Thursday, December 3rd.

Save the Date - Grade 11 Drama Class presents: The Wicked Witch of Oz on Friday, December 4th and Sunday, December 6th. More details to follow.

Leamington Mennonite Home News

Annual Auxiliary Christmas Bake Sale - The Annual Christmas Bake Sale is on Saturday, December 5, 2015 from 8 a.m. - ? at the LUMC Church.



Cookies, zwieback and raisin bread, as well as frozen cherry and apple pies will be for sale. Donations of baked goods will be accepted on Friday, December 4, 2015 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. at the LUMC Church. All proceeds from the sale support the work of the Auxiliary at the Home.

Christmas Open House - Our Home invites all resident families and friends to our Annual Christmas Open House on Sunday, December 6, 2015 from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. in the J.C. Neufeld Place of Fellowship. The Heritage Choir presents a program at 2:30 p.m., with the Home's Bell Chime Choir performing. Coffee and pastries to follow, with Santa promising to arrive!

Memorial Sunday - The flowers in the sanctuary this morning have been placed by the Leamington Mennonite Home in memory of our residents, volunteers and supporters that were members of this congregation and who passed away this year. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends who have experienced loss and bereavement.

The Soli Deo Gloria Singers Fall Concert: Fire & d'Rock

Sunday, Nov 22 at LUMC at 3:00 pm

Tickets \$15 for adults, \$7 for children at the door

EKMHA News! Everyone Welcome, Admission by Donation

Travelogues: at 7:00 at the Heritage Centre

Friday, Nov 27: Denmark, Norway & Sweden, by Glenn and Sidney Sellick

Friday, Dec 4: India, by Neil & Shirley Lehn

Get Involved ...

Calling all flutes, trumpets, violins and friends! We would like to create some joyful noise to celebrate the Christmas season here in LUMC. If you play an orchestra or band instrument and would like to participate in the music service for the Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 20, please contact Tom Overton (thomover@wavedirect.net) or the church office for details. We know there are many of you there; please come out and help us celebrate this joyous season.

Joys and Concerns ...

Pray For ...

We want to remember our young adults in their work and their studies. This week we pray for Tyler Dyck who is studying Engineering at St. Clair College.

Pray For ...

We want to keep in mind all of the families and friends who have gathered this morning as they remember loved ones who have passed in the last year. Pray that they may experience the peace of God in the midst of their sadness and loneliness.

Reaching Out ...

During the Advent season we encourage you to think of friends, family, and neighbours to personally invite to our services. In the bulletin today, there is a green invitation that lists all of our Advent and Christmas services. More invitations are available on the bulletin stand. Let's prayerfully consider who we can invite.

Notice of Death ...

Hal Link (78), passed away on Saturday, November 14. Hal was the father of Denise Link-Rahn & Martin, and grandfather of Luke. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Notice of Death ...

Paul Klassen passed away on Tuesday, November 17. Paul was the husband to Faye Klassen and brother to Ruth Klassen. Funeral plans are pending. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Pray For ...

Relationships are the heart of ministry and Nhien Pham is committed to facilitating relationships between Vietnamese Mennonites in Asia and North America. Pray for Nhien as he connects with our brothers and sisters in the Church in Vietnam and the Vietnamese Mennonite Church in Cambodia through his role with Mennonite Church Canada and North American Vietnamese Mennonite Fellowship.

Remembering Our Neighbours...

It is good to remember that we are all part of the large Christian fellowship. This week, please pray for First Baptist 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 a.m. - Family Worship
10:45am - Coffee Break
11:00am - Education Hour

Nov 22 - Soli Deo Gloria Singers Concert
 Nov 23 - Heritage Choir Practice - 2pm: Heritage
 Nov 24 - Kids Club - 6:00-7:30pm
 Nov 24 - Visitation Committee/Card Signing, 7pm
 Nov 25 - Spiritual Council Meeting - 7pm
 Nov 26 - Adult Study Group - 7pm at LUMC
 Nov 29 - 1st Advent & Communion Service
 Carol Singing at 9:35 am
 Nov 30 - Heritage Choir Practice: 2:30pm: LMH
 Dec 2 - Church Council Meeting - 7pm
 Dec 5 - Windsor Symphony - 7:30pm at LUMC
 Dec 6 - 2nd Advent, Carol Singing at 9:35 am
 Dec 7 - Heritage Choir Practice: 2pm: Heritage
 Dec 13 - 3rd Advent, Carol Singing at 9:35 am
 Dec 14 - Heritage Choir Practice: 2pm: Heritage
 Dec 17 - Heritage Choir Practice: 2pm: Heritage
 Dec 19 - Heritage Programme - 7pm: Heritage
 Dec 20 - 4th Advent, Carol Singing at 9:35 am

2015 A Season of Reading

Children's Shine On Readings

1. Zechariah & Elizabeth 158
2. Mary Says Yes 161
3. Angel Visits Joseph 162

Nov 23 - Judges 7 (GT)
 Nov 24 - Judges 15 (GT)
 Nov 25 - Judges 16:1-20
 Nov 26 - Judges 16:21-31 (GT)
 Nov 27 - Ruth 1 (GT) Introduction p. 297
 Nov 28 - Jeremiah 33:14-21; 1 Thess 3:9-13
 Bonus Reading: Judges 20-21 & p. 294

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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: Nov 15, 2015

General - \$ 10,720.00
 Building - \$ 875.00
 Designated - \$ 920.00
 Total = \$12,515.00