



**Leamington United Mennonite Church**  
**Sunday, January 22, 2017 - 9:45 a.m.**

*Speaker - Dr. Timothy Geddert, Worship Leader - Victor Winter*

<p style="text-align: center;">Go and learn what this means - "I desire mercy, not sacrifice". Matthew 9:12</p>	Call to Worship
	Songs- 'This is the day the Lord has made' #642 'Step by step'
	Scripture Reading - Matthew 9:9-13 'Listen to the Word that God has Spoken'
	Scripture Reading - Matthew 18:15-20 'Listen to the Word that God has Spoken'
	Giving our Gifts
	Songs - 'The Church of Christ in Every Age' (Bulletin) 'The River'
	Prayers of the People
	Song - 'Make me a channel of your peace' #56 STJ
	Children's Story
	Sermon - 'How does Jesus treat Tax-Collectors?'
	Benediction
	Coffee and Fellowship
Education Hour - Sanctuary (11 - 11:45) 'Ethical Priorities for Christian Decision-Making'	
Potluck Lunch - Auditorium - 12 p.m. Workshop - 1 - 3:45 p.m.	

*Pianist - Marilyn Winter, Scripture Reader - Angelica Dyck  
 Children's Story - Sieglinde Omstead, Worship Music - Levite Choir  
 LUMC Tech Team - Bill Cornies, Mitchel Hildebrand, George Hildebrandt,  
 John Wall, Eric Harder*

**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.

### **Welcome to Dr. Timothy Geddert**

Our guest speaker today comes from the sunny central valley of California. Throughout his career Dr. Geddert has served as a church planter, a pastor, a Bible school teacher and a seminary professor. He is currently professor of New Testament at Fresno Pacific University and the author of numerous articles and books. Two of his books are in our library; a Believers Church Bible Commentary on the gospel of Mark and a book on Christian ethics entitled 'All Right Now', both published by Herald Press. We have a number of copies of his book on ethics that will be for sale over the weekend. Here is his own description of his vocation: *"Followers of Jesus who are training to provide leadership for God's people must be life-long learners for whom Scripture is an inexhaustible source of challenge and inspiration. That happens best as we learn methods of biblical interpretation (and the original language of Scripture if possible). It also requires a sense of adventure, openness to new insights, and an eagerness to test ideas within the community of faith. It is my special privilege and calling to help students acquire these abilities and attitudes."*

## **Education ...**

**Sunday, January 22**

**11 am – Adult Sunday School - Meet in the Sanctuary**

**Topic - Ethical priorities for Christian decision-making** (with applications to discussions about LGBTQ issues)

**1:15 – 3:45 pm - Topic-Preserving unity when we do not see eye-to-eye**

Acts 15: Decision-making in the Christian Church

Stories - Decision-making priorities

- One church's journey with LGBTQ conversations
- Agreeing on a way forward when we cannot agree on who is right and wrong



### **Sunday School News ...**

Jan 22 - Jesus in the Desert

Jan 29 - Beatitudes

**Sunday School**

**Offering**

Jan 15 - \$20.90

**Youth  
Ministry**

**Sr. Youth returns Friday January 27** for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual all night lock-in here at LUMC - 7 pm Friday to 8 pm Saturday. Please bring \$25 for this event. The proceeds will go to a special missions project.

\* There is no Youth Sunday school this week as we have a special guest speaker coming. Youth are invited to attend the joint Sunday school session with their parents or with Mike.

\* Reminder: Winter Retreat forms and cheques are due Sunday January 29.

**Church Potluck Lunch - Today, January 22** - We want to take time to grow in our fellowship. Eating together has always been a way the church has built community and a sense of belonging. We will meet at 11:45 for a potluck lunch in the auditorium. If your last name begins with A - M please bring a main course dish or salad; if your last name begins with N - Z please bring a dessert. This is an excellent opportunity to invite newcomers to join us and get to know us.

WALKING WITH GOD

## The Church of Christ, in Every Age

*This is love: that we walk in obedience to His commands. 2 John 6*

1. The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age  
 2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street,  
 3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise,  
 4. For He a - lone, whose blood was shed,  
 5. We have no mis - sion but to serve

Be - set by change but Spir - it - led, Must claim and  
 The vic - tims of in - just - ice cry For shel - ter  
 A car - ing church that longs to be A part - ner  
 Can cure the fev - er in our blood, And teach us  
 In full o - bed - ience to our Lord, To care for

test its her - i - tage, And keep on ris - ing from the dead.  
 and for bread to eat, And nev - er live un - til they die.  
 in Christ's sac - ri - fice, And clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.  
 how to share our bread And feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.  
 all, with - out re - serve, And spread His li - ber - a - ting word.

## **Church in Action ...**

**LUMC AFT Donations for January-** 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.

*January AFT: General Fund: \$8,915.00*

*Building Fund: \$790.00*

*Church Renovation - \$25.00*

### **Parent – Child Dedication & Grandparent - Grandchild Dedication**

We are planning a child dedication service in the next weeks. This is a service of commitment where parents/grandparents declare their intention to raise their children/grandchildren in the knowledge of God's love and salvation. If you have any questions about this service please call one of our pastors.

### **Men's Breakfast - Saturday, January 28 at 8 a.m.**

Topic - Church Growth and Decline



### **8 Cities - Next City - Nairobi - January 29**

Check our website at [www.lumc.ca](http://www.lumc.ca) for more information.

**LUMC Annual Meeting - 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. Please have committee reports for this year's meeting in the office by February 10. Please send electronically.

## **Get Involved ...**

### **Reserve 107 - Reconciliation in the Prairies - Sat. Feb 4, 2017 -11 am**

Leamington United Mennonite Church, 78 Oak Street East, Leamington

Indigenous rights and title to the land remains a taboo topic for many, but in the small town of Laird, SK, an old injustice is providing opportunities for dialogue and friendship. Watch the film, Reserve 107, depicting the force of reconciliation in Laird, SK. Lunch is included and a free will offering will be taken. For more info and to reserve your seat, please go to [mcco.ca/events](http://mcco.ca/events) or contact Isaac Shelley at 1-800-313-6226 ext 292. This is the 5th event in the Dancing Towards Reconciliation series. **Event - First Nations**

### **Leamington MEDA Chapter Event - Remember the Bike to Grow Project.**

Mary Fehr and Sarah French raised a total of \$310,000 toward this project in Ghana. They have recently returned from meeting those farmers and want to share their experience with us in Leamington. Please join us on **Friday, February 10 at 7:30 pm at LUMC**, 78 Oak Street East, Leamington for coffee and dessert! Bring your friends and enjoy an informative evening with Mary, Sarah, Abe and Lisa.

## **Making Marriage Work**

### **A Practical Workshop for Pre-Married Couples**

Healthy and fulfilling marriages just don't happen . . .they are intentionally created and worked at! This workshop offers you as a pre-marital couple a focused time to plan for your married life together. You will gain insights into yourself and your partner, feel affirmed in your relationship, and learn practical skills to apply to your marriage.

#### **Topics Include**

- Your family and personal history as a marital "training school"
- Self-assessment and relationship assessment skills
- Constructing a relationship vision
- The nine developmental tasks of a good marriage
- Healthy communication, intimacy, and conflict resolution skills
- Recognizing and dealing with toxic issues and marital 'roadblocks'
- Creative ways to strengthen your relationship and stay focused

**Location:** All Saint's Anglican Church  
City Hall Square, Windsor, ON

**Date & Time:** Saturday February 25, 2017  
9:15am. – 4:00pm.

**Fee: \$185 / Couple** (includes workshop resource materials, lunch, and a Certificate of Completion)

For more information please email [jspostons@gmail.com](mailto:jspostons@gmail.com).

## Community Events ...

### UMEI Christian High School News ...



#### **Early Registration for 2017/2018 - Last call!**

Get your Grade 9 Application forms in by January 23rd and receive a \$200 tuition credit and a UMEI T-shirt!

Register by March 31st and receive a \$100 tuition credit.

### **EKMHA News!**

**Travelogues** Fridays at the Heritage Centre: 7:00 pm

Jan 27: Western Canada & USA by Charlotte Murray

Feb 3: Denmark & Germany by Harold & Mary Thiessen

Feb 10: Quebec & Magdalen Islands by Glen Sellick

Feb 24: Newfoundland by John Dick

Everyone welcome! Admission by donation

### **Leamington Mennonite Home News ...**



We praise God for the restoration of good health for the residents in the Long Term Care Home. Visiting by individuals without flu symptoms is welcomed! The Retirement Residence is still experiencing some respiratory illness so only individual family members are able to visit. Healing is evident and should be back to full recovery in the next week.

#### **Part Time Positions Available**

**Part Time Housekeeping/Laundry Aide** - The Support Service Department is inviting applications for this position which includes cleaning, laundry and other housekeeping duties. Applications should be submitted to Jacquie Turnbull at [jacquie@mennonitehome.ca](mailto:jacquie@mennonitehome.ca) or the submission of a resume to the Front Office.

**Part Time Activity Helper** - Individuals, who enjoy working with seniors, are invited to apply to this position of social-recreational programming, assisting our seniors as they attend worship services and other activities. Applications should be submitted to Jacquie Turnbull at [jacquie@mennonitehome.ca](mailto:jacquie@mennonitehome.ca) or the submission of a resume to the Front Office.

#### **Volunteer Invitations**

- Hair Salon (Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.)
- Feeding (Daily for lunch, 11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. & dinner, 4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.)
- Small Group Facilitation - Piano playing, story telling (Variable Times)

## **Bulletin Board Info ...**

- Charity Volleyball Tournament - February 25, 2017
- Conrad Grebel University College Events
- Family Services Windsor-Essex Wellness Program
- CMU Campus Visit Dates
- Grief Support Group - Knox Presbyterian Church - February 1 - April 26
- SECC Volunteer Information Sessions
- MCC-Reserve 107/Dancing Towards Reconciliation: LUMC-Feb 4, 11am
- MEDA Event - Bike to Grow Project - LUMC - February 10 - 7:30pm

## **Joys and Concerns ...**

### **Pray For ...**

We want to continue to remember our young adults in their work and their studies. This week we pray for Jen Quiring who is studying Family Studies at the University of Guelph.

### **Pray For ...**

Mennonite Church Canada has appointed a national working group to follow up on the resolution passed in July, 2016, to promote awareness and advocate for peace in Palestine and Israel. As congregations work to understand what justice means for Jews and Arabs living in Palestine/Israel, pray that God will open doors to conversation and that the gospel of Jesus will guide and grace our responses. Please pray also for the working group as they embark on their work.

### **Thank You ...**

We would like to thank all our friends and family for the support and prayers as we continue to journey through recovery of Art's surgery. Art is happy to be home and every day is getting stronger. Thanks again for the phone calls, cards and visits. We are very blessed to have such a support system!  
Art and Hedio Tiessen

### **Pray For ...**

Last fall, Nancy Frey, a MC Canada worker in Burkina Faso, contracted dengue fever. Thank God for her recovery. Pray for healing for the hundreds of other people who have contracted the illness in Burkina Faso during the recent epidemic.

### **Remembering Our Neighbours ...**

It is good to remember that we are all part of the large Christian fellowship. This week, please pray for St. Paul's Lutheran 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**

Jan 23 - Heritage Choir Practice - 2pm  
Jan 27 - 28 - Youth Lock-in at LUMC  
Jan 28 - Men's Breakfast - 8am  
Jan 29 - 8 Cities - Nairobi - 6:30pm  
Jan 30 - Heritage Choir Practice - 2:30 at LMH  
Feb 4 - MCC - Reserve 107 - LUMC - 11am  
Feb 10 - Annual Meeting Reports Due  
Feb 10 - MEDA Event at LUMC - 7:30pm  
Feb 12 - Potluck Lunch  
Feb 17 - 19 - Youth Retreat  
Feb 26 - 8 Cities - Tokyo  
Feb 28 - Pancake Fundraiser - 5pm

**2017 A Season  
Of  
Reading**

### Children's Shine On Readings

Samuel Anoints David 86  
David Trusts God 88

#### Jan 23 - 29

*Monday* - 1 Peter 4  
*Tuesday* - 1 Peter 5  
*Wednesday* - 2 Peter 1, Intro/Guided Tour  
*Thursday* - 2 Peter 2  
*Friday* - 2 Peter 3  
*Saturday* - Acts 4:12-5:11, Reflection

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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: Jan 8, 2017

General	\$ 5,656
Church Renovation	\$ 80
Building Fund	\$ 285
<b>Total</b>	<b>= \$6,021</b>

#### Offering: Jan 15, 2017

General	\$ 4,370
Church Renovation	\$ 130
Building Fund	\$ 550
<b>Total</b>	<b>= \$5,050</b>