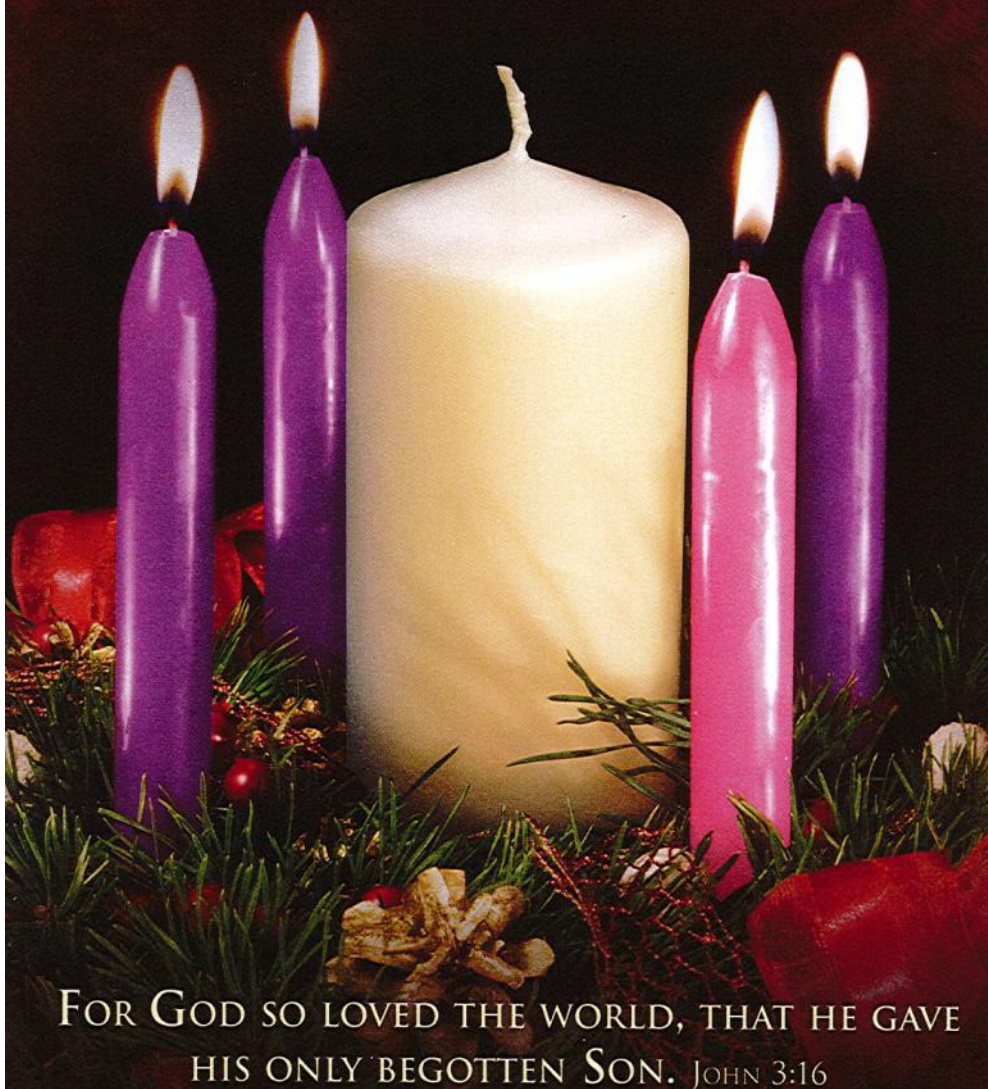


# LOVE

*Love*



FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD, THAT HE GAVE  
HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON. JOHN 3:16

**Welcome to**  
**Leamington United Mennonite Church**  
**Sunday, December 22, 2019, 4<sup>th</sup> Advent**  
**Carol Singing - 9:35am, Family Worship - 9:45am**

Speaker - Peter Neufeld, Worship Leader - Edgar Brown

Carol Singing - 'O little town of Bethlehem' #191  
'Infant holy, infant lowly' #206  
'Hark, the herald angels sing' #201

Lighting the Candle of Love  
Poor of the Earth - Spencer Neufeld, Chris Warkentin  
Prophetic Reading - Paul Dyck - Isaiah 7:10-16  
Candle Lighting - Adam, Kate, Ryan, Abby Krueger  
Song - 'Light the Candle of Love' - Delilah Heide

Do

Call to Worship / Prayer

everything

Song - 'Angels we have heard on high' #197

Women's Chorus - 'Long ago on Christmas'

in

Giving our Gifts

Special Music - Ryan Simpson - Christmas Medley

Prayers of the People - Zach Charbonneau

love.

Children's Story - Ken Hildebrandt

Song - 'Love came down at Christmas' #208

Worship Music - 'A Christmas to remember'

Jason Hildebrand & Friends

1 Corinthians  
16:14

Scripture Reading - Frank Hawkins - 1 Corinthians 13

Sermon - Through the Lens of Love

Worship Music - Spencer Neufeld, Chris Warkentin

Men's Chorus - 'With Wondering Awe'

Song - 'Joy to the world' #318

Benediction

We **Worship** a trinitarian God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
We **Walk** in the way of Jesus, both Saviour and Lord  
We **Witness** through the power and the presence of the Holy Spirit

## WORSHIP AND EDUCATION

### **Sunday School News**

**Sunday, December 22** - Curriculum - 'Shepherds Show the Way'

**Sunday, December 22** - Sunday School Rehearsal - Sanctuary, during Education Hour  
Parents can enjoy some visiting time over coffee and cookies.

**Education Hour** - No Education Hour Today, classes resume January 5, 2020.

**Sunday, December 22** - Please bring your favourite Christmas cookies to share during coffee hour. Thanks for avoiding foods with nuts.

**Sunday, December 22** - Candlelight Service at LUMC - 7pm. All are invited to join this special evening celebration in anticipation of Christmas.

**Baptism and Church Membership** - On February 2 we are accepting some new members into our LUMC family. If you are interested in becoming a member of our church please let one of the pastors know and we will include you in this service.

**Faith Exploration & Catechism** - Are you interested in going deeper in your faith and exploring what it means to be a follower of Jesus? Do you wonder why our church baptizes adults and what baptism is all about? Have you ever thought of becoming a member of LUMC? Classes begin Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup> and will be held during the Education hour time slot. Let the pastors know if you are interested.

**Youth** - Jr. Youth Parent's Meeting - Thursday, January 9 - 6pm - at LUMC  
Youth groups will be back in the new year.

**LUMC Annual Meeting & Potluck Lunch** - Sunday, February 9.

## WALK

**UMEI Christian High School** - "For unto you is born...a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11 - Wishing you & your loved ones all the best for the Christmas holidays. Thank you for your continuous and invaluable support during 2019. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the staff and students of UMEI!

**Leamington Mennonite Home** - During this advent season we invite you to come visit your loved ones at the Home. We kindly request for the protection of our residents and staff that if you are feeling ill that you delay your visit until you're feeling better. Thank-you for your understanding as we go through this cold and flu season. We want to wish all of our supporting congregations a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

**Pray For ...**"Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope" (Isaiah 51:4-5). Praise God for the salvation we find in Jesus, who crossed the barrier between God and people to show us how to live justly. This Christmas, may we share this good news across barriers with neighbours, friends, & family.

# Welcome

Welcome to our Guests!

We are delighted that you have joined us. We want to get to know you! In the pews are welcome cards. Fill one out and put it in the offering plate or drop it off at the Welcome Center. We've got something for everyone. Check out our children & youth programs. For any questions, visit the Welcome Center. Our people would be happy to assist you.

## December / January Reminders

- Dec 22 - Candlelight Service - 7pm
- Dec 24 - Sunday School Concert - 6:30pm
- Dec 25 - Christmas Day Worship-9:45am
- Jan 5 - Sunday School Begins
- Jan 5-German Service after Family Worship
- Jan 7 - Mission Hub Committee Meeting
- Jan 9 - Jr. Youth Parent's Meeting - 6pm
- Jan 11 - Mennonite Burial Society AGM

**Church Office Hours** - The office will be closed December 23 - 30. The phone and mailbox will be checked for messages and mail.

## Advent Scripture Reading Guide

- Monday - Titus 3:4-7
- Tuesday - Luke 1:46-55
- Wednesday - Luke 2
- Thursday - Romans 1
- Friday - Matthew 1:18-25
- Psalm of the Week - Psalm 80

# Connecting

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*Thanks for making LUMC scent free!*

Morning Prayers at LUMC  
Tues - Thurs  
8:45am - 9am

Our worship service is being recorded and broadcast at LMH.

## Offering: December 15, 2019

General	\$ 14,040
Church Renovations	\$ 30
Food Grains	\$ 100
Food Bank	\$ 100
Total -	\$14,270
Coffee Fund -	\$16
Sunday School -	\$69.50