

**Welcome to
Leamington United Mennonite Church
February 25, 2024
Second Sunday of Lent**

Speaker - David Y. Neufeld

Worship Leader - Victor Winter

Zacchaeus, come down... I must stay at your house today! Luke 19:5	Welcome Gathering Song - Come and See VT 282 Church Family Happenings Call to Worship Opening Prayer Song of Praise - Jesus Be the Centre VT 584 Installation of LUMC Coordinator Giving our Gifts Song - Be Thou My Vision VT 549 Children's Feature/Story 90th Birthday - Jacob Harder - Under His Wings I Am Safely Abiding MH 575 Lenten Prayer Confession Prayer Song - Over my Head VT 594 Prayers of the People Scripture - Habakkuk 2:1-4, Luke 19:1-10 Sermon - Seeing like Jesus Song of Response - Open my Eyes VT 732 Sending Prayer/Benediction Sending Song - Lead me Forth VT 837
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UPCOMING DATES

- **Welcome**

David Neufeld teaches and researches history at Conrad Grebel University College, where he directs the Institute for Anabaptist and Mennonite Studies. He lives with his wife Gina Martinez in Kitchener, where they attend First Mennonite Church.

- **Installation**

Today, LUMC will install **Sandra Dick** as our Church Coordinator. Sandra will be working half-time in communication and organization in areas of worship and programming. We ask God's blessing as she begins this important work.

- **Prayer Gathering**

Everyone is invited to a time of prayer inspired by portions of Scripture on Wednesday mornings. We meet for 45 minutes from 8:00-8:45am.

- **Women's Bible Study** We meet Tuesday evenings from 6:30—8:15pm. This session runs until March 26. Please call or message Sandra Dick at 226-346-2843 or sandra_dyck@yahoo.ca

- **Uni-Fab** would like to invite LUMC members to tour our facility on **March 1st** from 7-9 PM.

- **Sunday School - Restorative Justice March 10**

All are invited to take part in a study of restorative justice immediately following the service. It will be an ongoing discussion (lasting 5 weeks) built on three core sources: the Bible, the experiences/discussion of small groups, and the theory and practice of restorative justice itself.

- **Ladies Prayer Meeting Tuesday March 5 and 19**

All ladies are invited to attend Ladies Prayer Meeting at the home of Rachel Kauffman, 26 Olive Dr., Leamington. 12-12:45pm, note-meetings have been changed to Tuesdays.

- **Catechism 2024**

We are happy that there are now 6 students in the catechism class—Zoe Toews, Kate Krueger, Justin Willms, Tyson Bergen, Simon Kauffman and Maria Neufeld. Please pray for these students as they explore what it means to follow Christ and live a life of discipleship. They will be meeting Sundays at 8:30am. The transition team, including Ed Brown, with support from Pastor Rick, are guiding and teaching the catechism classes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Today, the children are again invited to help collect the “noisy offering” —coins and bills for our MCC Giving Project. This will be our last noisy offering. Thank you all for being so generous! Following that, the children will be invited to the front for a children’s story, led by Mary Tiessen. After that, we will learn about the story of **Jesus Healing Bartimaeus** in Sunday School and enjoy a homemade snack. Our amazing volunteers are:

Primary (age 3-grade 1): Mary Tiessen & Erika Epp

Junior (grade 2-4): Valerie & Simon Kauffman

Intermediate (grade 5-8): Melissa & Olivia Marcovecchio

Host: Karrie Gabrielle

New Gen

Saturday March 2 at 7 pm. Queens vs. Kings, special guest, Rick Neufeld. Babysitting provided.

TO THE LUMC MEMBERS

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Leamington United Mennonite Church (LUMC) will be held on Sunday, March 3, 2024 in 2 sessions to review the following business:

IN-PERSON SESSIONS ONLY

11:00 A.M Ministry Reports

LUNCH BREAK

1:00 P.M. General Reporting: Church Council, Committee Reports, Financial Statements, Budget, Slate of Volunteers for Council and Committee Members. Agenda and Information booklets will be available from the office or through email. Members may attend each session in-person at the Leamington United Mennonite Church – 78 Oak St. E., Leamington, Ontario.

Calling all food lovers! LUMC's next potluck will be held on Sunday March 3, to coincide with our Annual General Meeting. Please bring your favourite dish of food to the kitchen prior to the worship service, and the hosting committee will take care of the rest! Dessert and buns will be provided by the church, but we are looking forward to all your salads, pasta dishes, potatoes, and crock pot wonders. See you Sunday, and bring your appetite!

Membership Invitation

LUMC is inviting those who currently attend our congregation and are not members to contact Ed Brown at 519-329-3915 or ednhelen67@gmail.com if they have an interest in becoming members of LUMC. Our community of faith supports and walks with those who are seeking a faith family at this time in their lives.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Building Church...Building in God's World

Art Warkentin has always been a builder.

From remodeling to new homes, from a two story doll house and play house, to the



smallest doll cradles, cedar chest and chip carving a plate. Art has always been a wood worker.

Many years ago days were spent perched on scaffolding installing the ceiling in our sanctuary.

Fast forward a few years and a winter was spent building the library cupboards and furniture for the offices.

Art is retired now, but his gifts are still enjoyed.

UMEI Volleyball Tournament Fundraiser, Saturday, March 23rd , beginning at 9 am. This is a co-ed, 6 versus 6, event (with a minimum of 2 girls per team), and \$450 per team minimum. All athletic abilities are welcome! Pizza lunch will be provided. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place! Email driedge1@gmail.com before March 12 to enter.

Leamington Mennonite Home is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Chief Financial Officer. Applications will be received until April 1, 2024. Candidates should submit their application to Human Resources Specialist, Jacquie Turnbull jacquie@mennonitehome.ca A full job description for review can be requested by contacting Jacquie Turnbull.

EKMHA

Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association Travelogues at the Heritage Centre at 7:00 PM Friday, Mar. 8:

Video presentation: "Those Who Remained during the Stalin era"

Admission by donation. Everyone Welcome.

CONNECTING

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Urgent Need Contact x9 Transition Team

Transition Team Point Person

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Transition Team

Ed Brown, Erwin Tiessen, Linda Tiessen,
Victor Winter

Church Council

Randy Lepp, Barb Klassen,
Fiona Brown, Cheryl Taggart,
Rudy Dyck, Jennifer Fittler, Dave Krueger,
Anna Neufeld, Bill Toews
Deacon Rep - Henry Bergen

Randy Lepp councilchair@lumc.ca

Scripture Reading Guide

Feb. 25-Mar. 2, 2024

Sunday - Psalm 115

Monday - Psalm 117: 1-118:14

Tuesday - Psalm 118: 15-29

Wednesday - Exodus 20: 1-17

Thursday - John 2: 13-25

Friday - Psalm 19

Saturday - 1 Corinthians 1: 1-17