



# Welcome to Leamington United Mennonite Church Sunday, September 13, 2020, 9:45am

Speaker - Mike Williamson, Worship Leader - Edgar Brown

Grace

and peace

to you

from God

our Father

and the

Lord

Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:2

Welcome

Gathering Song – Praise with joy the world's Creator #16 STJ

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading – Isaiah 40:21-31

Song – God loves all his many people #397

Scripture Reading – Philippians 1:1-21

Church Family Happenings

Giving our Gifts

Song – Lord listen to your children #353

Prayers of the People

Song – Over my head #18 STJ

Sermon – Beginnings

Sending Prayer

Benediction

Song – You shall go out with joy! #427

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 Services**

To view the Livestream worship service each Sunday, please visit our YouTube Channel: *LUMC Church* and click to subscribe. Our Livestream service is broadcast on YouTube each Sunday Morning at 9:45am. The live stream can also be accessed on our Facebook page, *All Things LUMC*.

If you would like to attend in person, please visit the LUMC website [lumc.ca](http://lumc.ca) and click on *Register for Services* or contact the LUMC Office at 519-326-2727. Advance registration is required.

For more information, contact Rick & Cheryl Taggart at 519-322-6965 or the LUMC office at 519-326-2727.

**Oak Street Help Fund – Covid-19 Recovery** - LUMC has launched a fund raising drive to assist those in our church family that have been impacted by COVID-19.

***Please make your cheque payable to Oak Street Help Fund. You can also donate at Kindred Credit Union. Donations to this fund will not be receipted.***

With thanks and appreciation, LUMC Church Council

*Current Balance of Oak Street Help Fund - \$30,901*

### **Adult & Children's Face masks are available**

A donation of \$7 per adult mask (or 3 for \$20) and \$5 per child's mask is suggested. All proceeds going to the church.

For every mask purchased, one will be sewn and donated to the Migrant Worker Community Program or the Leamington Food Bank. Masks are available in the front foyer of the church. Please place donations in the church offering or the LUMC locked mailbox.

### **LUMC AFT Donations for September**

Automated Funds Transfer is available from any financial institution for donations to our church (budget or building fund). Contact the church office to set up this convenient method of donating on a regular basis.

*September AFT - General Fund - \$14,595*

*Building Fund - \$1,140*

*Church Renovations - \$25*

### **Leamington Mennonite Home**

You may recall that our Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the Leamington Mennonite Home (LMH) was originally scheduled for last March 24th, 2020. It was about that time that the very real concerns about COVID-19 began to emerge and a decision was made to postpone the AGM by the LMH Board of Directors. At that time, the AGM was postponed indefinitely but with the understanding that it would take place sometime in 2020. That said, the LMH Board of Directors is pleased to announce that the AGM will take place by way of Zoom on September 29th at 7pm. We invite the participation of all supporting members as we conduct the business of our Leamington Mennonite Home. We kindly ask that you contact the Leamington Mennonite Home front office to advise of your participation by noon on Thursday, September 24th. You will be asked to provide an e-mail address for a Zoom invitation to be sent to.

Please note that a copy of the annual report has been sent electronically to your respective church offices. A hardcopy of the annual report can will also be available for pick-up in the foyer of the Long Term Care Home on Pickwick.

### **UMEI Christian High School**

#### **Back to School Update**

The 2020-2021 school year is underway and we are blessed to have all of our staff and students back on campus! There are still spaces available for this year both in-person as well as online and we'd love to have you join us! Questions?

E-mail [office@umei.ca](mailto:office@umei.ca) or call 519-326-7448.

### **Thank you to the HL Tiessen Foundation**

Thank you to the HL Tiessen Foundation for including us as one of your 4 charities! Your gift will help foster whole person education right here in Essex County, fostering servant leaders who build our communities!

### **Upcoming Fundraisers**

We have several fundraisers this month! To place your orders, please email [office@umei.ca](mailto:office@umei.ca) or call 519-326-7448.

Ground Beef Fundraiser: Orders are due by September 16<sup>th</sup> @ noon.

Vista Gift Card Order: Orders are due by September 21<sup>st</sup> @ noon.

Pie Fundraiser: Orders are due by September 23<sup>rd</sup> @ noon.

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

### Pray For ...

- The flower arrangement at the front of the church has been placed there by Helga Dueck and her family in memory of the 10 year anniversary of her husband Henry Dueck's passing on September 11, 2010. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.
- Many of our young adults are unable to return to school this September and are doing online studies from home. Others are delaying their studies and finding work in our community. Do you know one of these young adults? Take a moment to reach out to them with a word of encouragement.
- An urgent prayer request from Mennonite World Conference: "I have seen entire families in the garbage dumps looking to quench their hunger. I have also watched with sadness as they return the elderly from the hospitals because there are no possibilities to attend them, nor medicines to supply them," said Erwin Francisco Mirabal González, a Mennonite pastor in Venezuela. He coordinated COVID-19 relief for his church until he became infected and died. Mennonite World Conference's COVID-19 task force was set up to respond to needs arising from the pandemic and has approved 35 relief proposals to date. Let us pray for our global sisters and brothers as they face immense challenges in these difficult days. To donate to this relief effort go to [mwc-cmm.org](http://mwc-cmm.org)

### Notice of Death ...

- Cornelius Quiring (50) passed away on Friday, September 4. Cornelius was the brother of Lisa & Will Friesen and uncle of Grace and Bronson. A funeral service was held at Berghthaler Mennonite Church on Tuesday, September 8. Please keep this family in your prayers.

### Remembering Our Neighbours ...

- It is good to remember that we are all part of the large Christian fellowship. This week, please pray for North Leamington United Mennonite Church and their pastors Charleen & Kendall Jongejan Harder, and Alisha Good.

## CONNECTING

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### Sunday Morning Worship Service

- Leamington Mennonite Home  
9:45am (Live)
- Live Stream Link can be found on our website **lumc.ca** and on our facebook page **All Things LUMC**. Tune in at 9:45am.
- YouTube Channel: LUMC Church

### Scripture Reading-Sept 13-19

Sunday - Matthew 18:21-35

Monday - John 19:17-30

Tuesday - Philippians 1:1-14

Wednesday - Philippians 1:15-30

Thursday - Jonah 3:1-4:11

Friday - Matthew 19:1-15

Saturday - Matthew 19:16-30

## Fall 2020 Formation Classes at LUMC



### **The Cruciform Kingdom**

Cruciform

[kru-suh-fawrm] (Adjective)

***To be shaped like a cross.***

The kingdom of God is a particular story about a particular God who establishes his reign on earth in relationship to a particular group of people, and ultimately, with one individual: Jesus Christ.

This video class explains the cross-shaped nature of God's kingdom from an Anabaptist perspective. God's kingdom is a politic like no other. It expresses the humble, other-oriented, self-sacrificial, enemy-embracing love of God that is most perfectly expressed on the cross. Christ crucified is the definitive expression of the character of God.

Join us as famous Anabaptist Pastor Greg Boyd leads us through topics like: Getting Kingdom Right, The Story of the Cruciform Kingdom, The Cruciform Hermeneutic, The Cruciform Church, Kingdom Warfare, the Kingdom and Christendom, Enemy Embracing Love, Kingdom Hospitality, Kingdom Vision, Kingdom Revolution, and God's Kingdom Reign.

**PLEASE RSVP to Mike Williamson at [mikewlumc@gmail.com](mailto:mikewlumc@gmail.com) if you would like to attend.**

Led by Mike Williamson

THURSDAYS 6:30-7:30pm

SEPTEMBER 17 – DECEMBER 3

ONLINE VIA ZOOM



## Choosing Joy: A Study of Philippians

*“Joy is the infallible sign of the presence of God.”*  
— Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

*“... ‘joy’ in Philippians is a defiant  
Nevertheless!’ that Paul sets like a full stop  
against the Philippians’ anxiety...”*  
— Karl Barth

For five weeks in September and October, we will be studying Paul’s letter to the Philippians. To learn more about the source of true joy even in the midst of the most difficult circumstances.

Join us as we dive into the week’s sermon text and learn more about Paul’s letter to the Philippians.

We will be meeting Thursday mornings at 10:00 am outside at Seacliff Park near the picnic pavilion to enjoy the last days of Summer and early Fall.

Led by Mike Williamson

THURSDAYS 10:00-11:00am

SEPTEMBER 10 - OCTOBER 8 AT SEACLIFF PARK

(NEAR THE PICNIC PAVILION) BRING YOUR OWN LAWN CHAIR