

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS/BIENVENUE!

For information about St. Lambert United Church and its life and work, please call the office at 450-671-6003 or consult our website at www.stlambertunited.com. Every Sunday immediately after worship, you are welcome to join us in Memorial Hall for Coffee Hour, which is hosted this week by the Ministry and Personnel committee, the Communications team and the Pastoral Visitation team. Next week, the Property and Christian Development committees will be our hosts.

OUR CHURCH

TODAY

Income tax receipts are available at coffee hour.

12:00 p.m. – **Valentine Luncheon** – Memorial Hall

The Christian Development committee invites you to join us for our annual **Valentine luncheon** after worship. All profits from this event go towards the sponsorship of our Foster Child, **Hudzalifah Muhammad**. Enjoy a meal consisting of ham, potatoes, loads of salads and delicious desserts, tea, coffee and juice, and lots of fellowship! The cost remains the same as last year, \$10 per adult, \$5 for 10-18 years old, \$2 for under 10 years old, and \$20 family price for 2 adults with their children under 18 years old.

Thanks for your support and we look forward to sharing our meal together!

1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – **Handbell practice** – Sanctuary

Loose Coins for Haiti School Project:

Do you have any loose coins in your pockets, purses or astray anywhere else? Please bring them to church and put them in the large jar in the centre of the coffee table in Memorial hall after the worship service. You will help the Haiti School Project with literacy education etc.

SLUC Outreach and Social Action Team.

THIS WEEK

Monday, February 18: 1:00 p.m. – **UCW Annual Meeting and unit meeting** – Memorial Hall

Guest speaker is Wendy Ayotte from *Bridges not Borders*, an organization working with Asylum seekers crossing the border at Roxham Road. All are welcome. Come for tea at 1:45. Speaker is at 2:00.

Wednesday, February 20: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – **Company's Coming sprucing up** - Parlour

Thursday, February 21: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – **Choir practice** - Sanctuary

Saturday, February 23: 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – **WoW practice** – Sanctuary

Company's Coming:

This '**sprucing-up-around-the-church**' project is in full swing. The next bi-weekly gathering is on Wednesday, February 20th from 11 am to 2 pm. Come to the Parlour to learn of the projects and pick some tasks that you would like to do. There are tasks for all ages & abilities. Bring a light lunch and we can break bread together too. Tea & water supplied.

Rubber gloves, rags & brushes come in handy. Bring yours. Looking forward to seeing you on Wednesday.

The goal of this project is to prepare 'our house' to receive visitors from all over our new Region, named *Nakonhaka*, on Saturday, May 25th.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, February 24: 10:15 a.m. hymn sing

Sunday, March 3: 10:30 a.m.

NEWS AND EVENTS

The **Annual General Meeting** of the congregation will take place on **Sunday, March 3** after worship in Memorial Hall. All are encouraged to attend. The 2018 annual report will be sent electronically and hard copies will be made available *only upon request* by calling or emailing the church office. The annual report will also be projected on a screen during the AGM.

Our annual **Pancake Supper** will be moved to take place as a **lunch on March 3** at the Annual General Meeting since Shrove Tuesday is only 2 days later. Please sign up on the sheet in the office corridor to indicate your intention to attend. We hope to see everyone come together to participate in this important and special event of sharing thoughts and fellowship.

From the Minister's Desk:

Reception of New Members by 'Transfer' or 'Profession of Faith' will occur on March 17. If you wish to be received as a New Member on that day, please speak with me asap. May the Holy Spirit accompany your discernment. God bless.

Lent 2019 Book Study – Wednesdays at 7p.m. – Ash Wednesday to Holy Week (7 weeks)

St Lambert United Church – 415 Mercille Ave.

Please register with Reverend Jennifer – (450) 671-4556

Book: *Why did Jesus, Moses, Buddha, and Mohammed Cross the Road?*

By Brian D. McLaren

- Paperback: 288 pages
- Publisher: Jericho Books; (Sept. 10 2013)
- ISBN-10: 9781455513956

Cost of the book **\$18.00**

Meeting dates: Mar 6, 13, 20, 27, Apr 3, 10, 17

Friends and neighbours welcome!

When four religious leaders walk across the road, it's not the beginning of a joke. It's the start of one of the most important conversations in today's world.

Can you be a committed Christian without having to condemn or convert people of other faiths? Is it possible to affirm other religious traditions without watering down your own? In *Why Did Jesus, Moses, the Buddha, and Mohammed Cross the Road?: Christian Identity in a Multi-Faith World*, Brian McLaren proposes a new faith alternative, one built on "benevolence and solidarity rather than rivalry and hostility." This way of being Christian is strong but doesn't strong-arm anyone, going beyond mere tolerance to vigorous hospitality toward, interest in, and collaboration with the other.

Blending history, narrative, and brilliant insight, McLaren shows readers step-by-step how to reclaim this strong-benevolent faith, challenging us to stop creating barriers in the name of God and learn how affirming other religions can strengthen our commitment to our own. And in doing so, he invites Christians to become more Christ-like than ever before.

Bonne année 2019 de la part du "GREEN Team"

Nous continuons nos efforts de collecte: le compost va dans un seau dans la cuisine et les déchets domestiques toxiques vont dans une boîte proche de la porte d'entrée Mercille. Cherchez la boîte en face des manteaux et placez-y vos vieilles piles, batteries, téléphones et cartouches d'encres vides.

Pour toute question, svp contactez : chatsanson@gmail.com

Blessing Bags are ongoing throughout the year. Donations are always appreciated and may be placed in the box outside the minister's office. For questions, speak to Elizabeth Britton.

SLUC Correspondence: If you wish to receive announcements and church newsletters by E-mail, please notify Jennifer Kurtz at slunitedchurch@videotron.ca to have your e-mail address added to the SLUC e-mailing list.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Thursday, February 21, 2019 the St. Lambert Horticultural Society would like to invite everyone to their first general meeting at 19:30 (7:30 pm) held at the Recreation Centre, 600 Oak Ave., Saint Lambert (entrance via the back).

Refreshments will be served at 19:15 (7:15 p.m.)

This time our speaker will be Mrs. Monica Giacomini. The presentation will be about <<**The wonder of weeds**>>.

A guest fee of \$5.00 applies.

For more information please contact us at slhorticulture@gmail.com OR 450-671-4535.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

St. Lambert Choral Society celebration concert. Songs and music that evoke Saint Lambert, its bells, trains and water. **Sunday, February 24 at 3:00 p.m.** at Église catholique de Saint-Lambert. **Guests: St. Lambert United Church's Village Ringers.** For more details, see poster on bulletin boards or speak to Anna Kay B. Walsh for tickets.

Join Béco yoga's weekly community class for only \$5

Every Saturday from 4-5 PM, Béco (38 Prince Arthur in St-Lambert) offers a community yoga class in return for your \$5 donation. It's a wonderful chance to discover the benefits of yoga while giving back to your community (all proceeds go to a local charity). Please call to reserve your spot: 450-466-0303 or visit becoyb.com

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