

# AssemblyLine

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**Lectionary Texts:** Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9; James 1:17-27;  
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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Worship at 9:30am, Sunday school at 10:45am

## WORSHIP

### August 30

Worship leader: *Sean & Becky Smuts*  
Welcoming & tear-down: *Cheers & Well Seasoned*  
**Intergenerational Worship**  
**No Sunday School**

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

### September 6

Worship leader: *Susan Nelson*  
Sermon: *Dawn Yoder Harms*  
Welcoming & tear-down: *Cardinal & Here&There*  
**Window & 2% Offerings**  
**Communion**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Hour Hymn Sing**  
**Fellowship Meal**

Scripture: Psalm 36:5-9; Deuteronomy 10:12-13, 17-19;  
Romans 15:7

## CALENDAR

TODAY	Aug 30	Intergenerational worship; no Sunday School 11:15am Christian Ed meeting for Sunday school teachers & assistants, worship space
Wed	Sept 2	6:30-8pm K-5 garden harvest party at Shantz's (60728 CR 27, Goshen)
Sun	Sept 6	First week of Fall worship series; Fall Sunday School begins 2 <sup>nd</sup> hour hymn sing & fellowship meal
Sun	Sept 13	12pm Students in our homes for lunch

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### assembly life and people

**Holden Ebricht Zehr** (1<sup>st</sup>, Parkside) turned 7 on Aug 28! Holden likes to play soccer and baseball. He also likes to swim and is a good runner. He enjoys playing games with his family and eating pizza and brownies. Some day, he would like to make a robot.

**Mackenzie Mast** (6<sup>th</sup>, Bethany) turns 12 today, Aug 30! Mackenzie enjoys playing soccer and swimming. She also enjoys sleepovers with cousins and friends. She plays piano and cello. She loves reading and her favorite subject is science. She likes to play games and watch movies with her family.

**Graham Ebricht Zehr** (CCYC) turns 5 on Sept. 1! Graham is a fast runner and a good swimmer. He likes to dive to the bottom of the new pool. He also likes having chickens and alpacas. He is looking forward to a new dog. Graham likes it when his brothers teach him things and play Legos with him.

**Sunday School Teachers & Assistants:** There will be a Christian Education meeting for all Sunday school teachers and assistants this Sun, Aug 30, 11:15am in the worship space. This is for all teachers & assistants for the entire 2015-16 SS year. Children in Worship leaders & assistants

do not need to attend, as they will have a separate training on Sept 3.

**Intergenerational Worship:** Families with young children are encouraged to sit in the main worship space so that the children can be engaged throughout the session. The children are welcome to sit on the floor in the middle open area.

**The children's (K-5) garden harvest party** will be this Wed, Sept 2, 6:30-8pm at Steve and Kate Shantz's place (60728 CR 27, Goshen). New kindergarten students are especially welcome to attend!

**Sunday School volunteers needed:** Sunday School assistants are needed for the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade class, 4<sup>th</sup> grade class, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade class. An assistant is needed to work one-on-one with a child as well. Contact Cynthia Good Kaufmann if you are interested.

**Our fall worship series will focus on hospitality** and will begin next Sunday, Sept 6 with a hymn sing during 2<sup>nd</sup> hour and a fellowship meal. Please bring a dish to share, as well as your own table service. This is the first Sunday that college students may join us for worship, so please be generous in the amounts of food you bring! For more info about this worship series, see the document attached to this

week's Assemblyline (also available on the lit table and on the AMC website).

**Meal for Goshen College and Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary students.** Sign up today to be a host or guest for lunch on Sept 13, when GC and AMBS students will be invited home with Assembly households. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the gathering space.

**Bill Mateer is putting together the song leaders schedule** for the fall. If you would like to be one of our song leaders, but did not receive an email invitation from Bill because you are a newer member or an incoming student, please let him know of your interest ([mateers@aol.com](mailto:mateers@aol.com)).

**Psalms Resources:** Our fall Bible study this year will focus on the Psalms. There are Psalms resources in the AMC library for you to check out. These items are for a one week check-out only, so that all may use them.

**As you make financial decisions,** remember the great resource that is Everence. This includes a \$50 grant for completing your will. More info is on the bulletin board ... or by talking with your church rep, Eric Yordy.

(repeat) **Lisa Zinn's father**, Raymond Zinn, died after a battle with cancer on Aug 18. He lived in Salamanca, NY. The funeral service was held on Sat, Aug 22 at Whig Street Church in Salamanca, NY. Please keep Lisa and her family in your thoughts and prayers. Here is the link to the obituary for Lisa's father —  
<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/salamancapress/obituary.aspx?page=lifestory&pid=175543951>.

(repeat) **Anne Birky** was at South Bend Memorial on Wed, Aug 26 for day surgery to implant electrodes into her left (ruined) cochlea. Hopefully, with this cochlear implant and the outside hardware that will be added by the audiologist in Sept, Anne will have an opportunity to learn to hear again like most of us after almost 17 years of hearing aids and reading lips. Probably her hearing was damaged from childhood measles and scarlet fever. She is already thankful to you for many prayers, your patience and your interest. She's already looking forward to enjoying the Assembly singing even more!

(repeat) **College students and young adults:** here's a 2nd hour class just for you, "Reading the Bible as a progressive

Christian;" begins Sept. 13. Come for the content and the community. See Karl Shelly for more information.

(repeat) **The annual Small Group Shuffle** is coming up in September. It's the best time of year to join a new group. If you're interested or have questions, see the flyer on the lit table and contact Karl Shelly.

(repeat) **Last year MCC sent out 89,958 school kits.** They were sent to 10 different countries. Many went to refugee camps in Jordan and Syria. Many also went to Haiti and Honduras. You can still contribute to this program. Make checks out to Assembly Mennonite Church with school kits on the memo line or place cash in an envelope designated to school kits. Thank you for helping.

(repeat) **Sunday School Teachers, Assistants and subs are still needed** for the fall, winter, and spring quarters. Please let Cynthia Good Kaufmann or Rachel Hochstetler know as soon as possible if you are willing to help.

(repeat) **Missing: Living the Questions DVD series.** Assembly's copy of this DVD series is missing from the church library. Please return it to the library as soon as possible if you have borrowed it.

(repeat) **Lunch Bunch** resumes Wed, Sept 2, 11:30am at Greencroft Community Center. We welcome every woman in the congregation to come hear Sara Klassen share about her year in Cambodia and Southeast Asia. Lunch will be a salad, \$5 per person. Please sign up by Fri, Aug 28 on the sheet in the gathering space or call Marna Mateer at [330-464-2741](tel:330-464-2741).

(repeat) **Central District Conference Annual Meeting:** Hosted by the Goshen/Elkhart area congregations at Southside Fellowship at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, June 11-13, 2015. Results of actions taken, links to reference documents, resolutions passed and the evaluation form, audio files, and photos may be found [here](#).

(repeat) **Emily Stuckey Weber will be leaving her position** as Administrative Assistant in the Assembly office. We are deeply grateful for her service to Assembly over the past two years. We will be accepting resumes and a letter of interest for this 20-25 hour a week position. Please express your interest to Lora Nafziger in person or at [loracn@assemblymennonite.org](mailto:loracn@assemblymennonite.org). A complete job description is available on the Assembly website.

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(repeat) **Mennonite Church USA Convention:** Held June 30-July 5 in Kansas City. Click [here](#) for links to resolutions, minutes from delegate sessions, newsletters, and more.

## community connections

**The Goshen Community Chorale**, which is under the direction of Bill Mateer, will begin rehearsals for its fall season at 7pm on Tues evening, Sept 1, at College Mennonite Church. The Chorale's fall program will include a Bach cantata and a selection of Slavic and Orthodox choral music. The Chorale welcomes new members. Interested persons should contact Bill.

**The Crafts & More building** at the Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale is looking for volunteers! Please contact Christa Janzen ([christa.janzen@gmail.com](mailto:christa.janzen@gmail.com)) if you would be willing to cover any of the following positions: setting up and pricing items on Fri morning/afternoon, Sept 25; a 2-hour time slot working a table on Fri evening or Sat morning, Sept 26, which does NOT include handling money this year; working at the Payment Table in 2-hour shifts; tearing down and cleaning up after the sale on Sat, at approx 3pm. Please also let Christa Janzen know if you have any crafts or art pieces that you would like to donate!

**The Window Benefit Meal** will be held during September First Friday, Sept 4, beginning at 4:30pm. A menu of chili & chicken noodle soup and assorted desserts will be served. All proceeds support The Window; suggested donation of \$8. Call 533-9680 for more info.

**Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary** is pleased to host an exhibit of 20 prints from the Saint John's Bible, illuminated to present the Word of God in a contemporary, engaging and inspirational way. The exhibit is available weekdays from Sept 1-18 in the gallery and library, and Sun, Sept 13 from 2-6pm. Come discover afresh the power of the Word of God. Visit [www.ambs.edu/news-events](http://www.ambs.edu/news-events) for more information.

**Bethany Christian Alumni** will receive free admission to HS soccer on Sat, Sept 5, (5pm JV start) and to tennis and volleyball matches on Thurs, Sept 17 (5:30pm starts for varsity tennis and JV volleyball). Alumni reunions will be on Sat, Sept 26 for the following classes: 1955, 1960,

1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2005, and 2010. Visit [www.bethanycs.net/reunions](http://www.bethanycs.net/reunions) to register.

**Goshen College Afternoon Sabbatical:** Sept 8, 1pm in Sauder Concert Hall. "Historic Downtown Goshen, a New Direction for a Neighborhood," with Eric Kanagy, president and CEO, Redpost and Gina Leichty, Co-owner, Eyedart Creative Studio. In 1983, the National Register of Historic Places added Goshen's Historic district to their register. Since that time, the district has undergone significant revitalization with more exciting changes to come. Both Eric and Gina serve on Downtown Goshen, Inc., Eric as board president and Gina with management by Eyedart Creative Studio. Come hear the latest updates on the feasibility of developing the second stories of downtown buildings, railroad overpass, the Hawks Building, millrace canal development and Goshen Theater plans. This event is free and open to the public. Call [574-535-7565](tel:574-535-7565) or email [aftsabb@goshen.edu](mailto:aftsabb@goshen.edu) for info.

**Join Michiana Mennonite Economic Development Associates** for a dinner and program on Thurs, Sept 17, 2 at 6:30pm at Belmont Mennonite Church in Elkhart. Pastors Ray Bair and Russell Jensen will present on "Defeating the Cycle of Poverty among the Youth of the Belmont Neighborhood," sharing about the Youth Stewards ministry. Dinner will be provided by Belmont Mennonite Church. Please RSVP by Fri, Sept 11 to [info@michianameda.org](mailto:info@michianameda.org) or [574-355-3607](tel:574-355-3607). Cost is \$5 for students, \$15 for Michiana MEDA members, and \$20 for others, payable at the door.

**Job and the Mystery of Suffering**, a Bible short course, will be held on six Mon evenings in Sept and Oct on the campus of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. Safwat Marzouk, PhD, assistant professor of Old Testament, will teach the course, which meets Mon evenings, Sept 21-Oct 26. To register, visit [www.ambs.edu/churchleadershipcenter](http://www.ambs.edu/churchleadershipcenter).

**Central District Conference Mennonite Women** will host the annual women's retreat at Camp Friedenswald Sept 25-27. This year's guest speaker is Biblical scholar, Laura Brennehan and the retreat is entitled "Women Rising: Naming, claiming, Transforming." Enjoy worship, fellowship, free time, workshops, recreation, time on the water and in the woods. We invite all women to come -

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with your brokenness, your strength, your laughter. The retreat begins Fri evening and closes Sun after brunch. The cost is \$150; women 25 and under may attend for free. Register online at [www.friedenswald.org](http://www.friedenswald.org). Contact Marcia E. Nelson at [217-359-0034](tel:217-359-0034) or [sunboat@soltec.net](mailto:sunboat@soltec.net) for further info.

**Bethany Christian High School** seeks varsity coaches for softball (spring 2016) and girls soccer (fall 2016). Both positions would begin in January 2016 to begin working with athletes for their upcoming seasons. For more info or to apply, contact athletic director Gary Chupp at [glchupp@bethanycs.net](mailto:glchupp@bethanycs.net) or [574 534-2567](tel:574-534-2567).

(repeat) **Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary** offers an online, non-credit Corinthians course "Creating a Scene in Corinth: Conflict in 1 Corinthians," Sept 2–Oct 13. The course explores how Paul addresses conflicts and speaks to the church today. Instructor: Reta Halteman Finger. Visit [www.amb.edu/churchleadershipcenter/bible-short-courses.cfm](http://www.amb.edu/churchleadershipcenter/bible-short-courses.cfm) to register.

(repeat) **Your regular shopping can support Christian education** when you buy gift cards/certificates to over 75 national and Goshen-area businesses restaurants, which donate a percentage of your purchases to benefit a student through the Bethany Association for Reducing Tuition. The benefit can go support a specific student, to Bethany's general fund, or to a congregation's partnership plan. For more info, see [www.bethanycs.net/BART](http://www.bethanycs.net/BART) or contact Lisa Weaver at [bart@bethanycs.net](mailto:bart@bethanycs.net) or [574 361-1587](tel:574-361-1587).

(repeat) **Volunteer staff are needed** at The International Guest House in Washington, D.C. (3 months or full year) for the ministry of Christian hospitality. The Guest House (a ministry of Allegheny Conference) serves both international and US travelers. Volunteers are provided full room and board in the Guest House. Monthly stipend of \$140. Health insurance paid for full year volunteers if needed. Hospitality duties include cleaning, laundry, maintenance, baking, hosting breakfast & tea, and welcoming guests. Great location for sightseeing and exploring the many facets of the National City. For info and an application contact Judy Nord by emailing [judymarknord@verizon.net](mailto:judymarknord@verizon.net) or calling [301-985-6858](tel:301-985-6858) or contact the International Guest House at [-202-726-5808](tel:202-726-5808) or [igh.dc.us@gmail.com](mailto:igh.dc.us@gmail.com).

(repeat) **The Depot MCC Thrift Shops** is seeking a full time Assistant Warehouse Manager. Applicants must have commitment to personal Christian faith and discipleship, active church membership, good organization, supervisory and communication skills with ability to work with volunteers. Responsibilities include working with staff, general oversight of incoming donations and processing for retail areas, maintain stocking warehouse and recycling. Must be able to operate forklift and truck. Applicants may send resume to: The Depot MCC Thrift Shops at 1013 Division St., Goshen, IN 46528 (Attention Doug Hernley). Or email [depotmccthriftshops@gmail.com](mailto:depotmccthriftshops@gmail.com)

(repeat) **The Goshen College men's basketball team** is raising funds for a summer 2016 service trip by doing yard work/home maintenance in exchange for a monetary donation to their mission fund. Past projects they have done include: yard work & landscaping (mowing, raking, trimming, edging, mulching, etc.), interior & exterior painting, and other manual labor (moving heavier objects, laying outdoor turf). Please contact head basketball coach Neal Young via email ([nyoung@goshen.edu](mailto:nyoung@goshen.edu)) or phone ([765-749-5017](tel:765-749-5017)) to discuss further details.

(repeat) **Goal-Driven Parenting Training for Professionals:** CAPS is excited to have partnered with Oaklawn to provide this 6-session training (Sept 11 & 18, Oct 9 & 16, Nov 13 & 20 from 8:15am-12:30pm). The training will help equip front-line professionals in Elkhart County to better help families who are struggling with parenting issues. Professionals will walk away from this training equipped with proven tools, activities, handouts, and access to all materials along with the knowledge and confidence needed to utilize them. The training costs \$100 per participant and CEU's are available through our partnership with Oaklawn (an additional charge of \$100 for 24 CEU's will be added to the training fee). Space is limited to the first 30 participants: click [here](#) to register. If you have additional questions, email at [gstone@capselkhart.org](mailto:gstone@capselkhart.org) or by phone at [574-522-1998 ext. 287](tel:574-522-1998). Attendance is required at all 6 sessions in order to receive a Completion Certificate.

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