

AssemblyLine

July 5, 2015

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Lectionary Texts: 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10;
Mark 6:1-13

Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

WORSHIP

July 5

Worship leader: *Glenn Gilbert*

Storytelling: *Randy Roth*

Welcoming & tear-down: *Hug & Food Group*

Window & 2% Offerings

Sunday School: *The sower & the seed (Mark 4:1-20)*

July 12

Worship leader: *Becky Snider*

Storytelling: *MC USA Convention Sharing*

Welcoming & tear-down: *Inertia & Derailed*

Sunday School: *The vine & the branches (John 15:1-17)*

CALENDAR

TODAY July 5 11am-1pm Open Table Menn. Fellowship worship & meal at Faith House, opentablemennonite.org
Mon July 6 7pm Leadership group meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Ira Siemens Rhodes turned 5 on July 9! Ira loves his monkey and monkey blanket. He likes to eat candy and chew minty gum. He is good at kicking balls, throwing sticks, and building with Lego. He is excited to go to the aquarium during convention in Kansas City!

Assembly's softball team, *Some Assembly Required*, has games on Mon, July 6 at 5:55 and 6:55pm, both on Diamond #1 at Shanklin Park. Come watch & cheer!

The first printing of *Broken and Blessed*, a collection of writings by Heidi Siemens-Rhodes, sold out in one day! To order a copy from the upcoming second printing, please send an email with your name, address, phone number, and the number of copies you would like to english@goshen.edu. Books are \$12 and can be picked up at Goshen College or Assembly, or mailed for approximately \$3 per book.

On Friday, June 26, Sharon Kauffmann had a cancerous tumor surgically removed from the right side of her face. Follow-up treatment includes radiation of the site. We will welcome your prayers and concerns for healing. –Norm & Sharon

Peace Booth at Elkhart 4-H Fair, July 24 - Aug 1.

Donations and volunteers are needed to staff the booth. See flyer in gathering space. For more info, contact Al Shelly.

Save the date for Assembly's annual fall retreat at Camp Friedenswald! This year's retreat is scheduled for October 9-11, 2015. Mark your calendars now!

Phoebe Graber's new email address is pwgraber@gmail.com. Please update your records.

(repeat) **The Goshen Marching Band** wants to replace their parade t-shirts with a design that follows the Athletic Council's guidelines of no Indian head or "redskins." You can help by contributing \$10, \$20, or more if your budget allows. Make checks payable to "Goshen Band Boosters," include "parade shirt" on the memo line, and get your check to Barb Hassan by July 4. This is a tax-deductible donation, so a receipt will be mailed to the address on your check.

(repeat) **Has Lora disappeared?** Lora will be with her family on vacation June 22-26. She will then represent Assembly as a delegate at the MCUSA conference in Kansas City June 29-July 5. After a quick turnaround, Lora and Mitch (and the boys) will be traveling with Mennonite Mission Network as Youth Venture leaders for a group going to Japan July 8-30.

(repeat) **Carolyn Schrock-Shenk Health Update:** If I keep waiting to do an update until all is well, it may not happen, so... Last week I was finally released by my mastectomy/ reconstruction surgeon. The infection is gone and the site is finally healed. I also had my six-month cancer check-up. I will not be doing any chemo or further treatment and will "simply" stay tuned to any changes in my body in the next months and years. My smaller pressure sore has been healed for some time and the second much larger one has decreased dramatically in size but its healing is agonizingly slow. After being on medical leave for the entire second semester, I was able to get back to teaching during May term (the jail course) and, while it taxed me

physically and emotionally, I was thrilled to be back. I am sooo happy to be mostly healthy again and I am deeply grateful for the support, prayers, visits and help that enabled me to stay off the pressure sores and kept me from being too lonely, bored or hungry!

community connections

Window Needs: Food Pantry: soap, shampoo, toothpaste, body wash, deodorant, size 3, 4, & 5 diapers, canned & dried beans, canned tuna & chicken, pasta, macaroni & cheese, canned vegetables & fruits, soup, cereal. Katie’s Kitchen: tomato sauce, salad dressings, #10 cans fruits & vegetables, ketchup, tomato juice. Clothes Closet: men’s summer clothing, men’s jeans, children’s summer clothing, pants hangers.

(repeat) **Prairie Prayers**, a morning of exploration and meditation in the six-acre prairie at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, is scheduled for Wed, July 15, 9-11:30am. All ages are welcome. There is no charge; contributions toward the snacks are welcomed. Register with Janeen Bertsche Johnson, jbjohnson@ambs.edu, by July 14. More info at www.ambs.edu/news-events/Prairie-Prayers.cfm.

(repeat) **Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary** seeks a fulltime director of marketing and communications to direct marketing strategy for enrollment and fund-raising and to manage print and electronic communication. Job description at www.ambs.edu/jobs. Apply by July 17 to Ron Ringenberg, vice president, rriegenb@ambs.edu.

(repeat) **Mennonite Central Committee** is seeking a Donor Relations Coordinator for the Great Lakes office. This position provides leadership for donor relations activities and strategies which raise awareness of MCC programs, build relationships with donors and focus on the generation of financial resources. This individual must be acquainted with MCC's financial needs and successfully link donors and constituent groups to those existing needs and other appropriate requests. The person in this position will develop and guide implementation of the Great Lakes framework established jointly with the MCC U.S. donor relations network. Full job description at mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/donor-relations-coordinator-great-lakes. To apply, send a letter of intent and current resume to AmberFalcon@mcc.org.

(repeat) **Silverwood Mennonite Church** will be hosting a GriefShare support group on Monday evenings, June 22-Sept 21, 6:30-8:30pm. GriefShare is a special weekly seminar/support group for people grieving the death of someone close. You’ll learn valuable info that will help you through this difficult time. The cost is \$20 per person or \$30 per couple. Anyone is welcome to attend at any time during this session as each one is self-contained. RSVP is requested; to sign-up or for questions, please call Silverwood at 533-1922. More info at www.griefshare.com. There is also a brochure on the bulletin board above the lit table.

(repeat) **Join Christian Peacemaker Teams** in Detroit, MI for a special Delegation and Peacemaker Congress. Attend one or both. Hear stories of people facing water shut-offs in Detroit, the work of CPT, and the parallels and particularities of peacemaking in contexts around the world. The delegation will be held July 8-15 & the Peacemaker Congress will be held July 17-19. Contact peacemakers@cpt.org for more details. Apply online at <http://www.cpt.org/participate/delegation/on-line-application>.

Please email announcements to assemblyline@assemblymennonite.org by 8 AM local time Friday for inclusion in the following Sunday’s *AssemblyLine*. To receive the *AssemblyLine* via email visit: <http://orglist.info/mailman/listinfo/aline.assembly>.

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Assembly Mennonite Church seeks to be a dynamic Christian community by together meeting God who draws us beyond ourselves into nurturing, sharing, and living the good news of God’s love as known in Jesus Christ. ~ Mission Statement, adopted June 1997

As a reconciling faith community, Assembly Mennonite Church seeks to follow Jesus’ example by welcoming all who come our way, regardless of age, economic or social circumstances, ethnic background, gender, marital status, physical ability, race, or sexual orientation. ~ Welcome statement, adopted Dec. 1999