

AssemblyLine

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Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

WORSHIP

May 13	May 20
Worship leader: <i>small group Alpha</i> Preaching: <i>Lora Nafziger</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Auklet & 8th St+</i> Window Offering	Pentecost & Recovenanting Worship leader: <i>Merritt Gardner</i> Preaching: <i>Karl Shelly</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Ad Lib & Alpha</i>
Scripture: <i>Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19</i>	Scripture: <i>Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34; Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15</i>

CALENDAR

Sun	May 20	9:30am Pentecost, Recovenanting, 1 st Grade Bible presentation 12pm Fellowship Meal 7pm Congregational meeting
Sun	May 27	12-2pm JYF gathering
Tue	May 29	7:15pm Small group reps meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Tilly Schramm (3rd, Chandler) turned 9 on May 5th! Tilly likes to play soccer and piano and do gymnastics. She enjoys reading, biking and playing games with her family. She has guinea pigs and a dog. She is looking forward to taking horseback riding lessons and learning to drive a car!

TODAY we continue our Eastertide Worship series. For more info about this Eastertide series, see intro at the top of this email or on the lit table. During second hour you can choose to participate in one of four electives: What I'm reading (Worship space); How to break up with your phone (West side multipurpose); How to Raise White kids (Old church office, NE corner of the building); Some Assembly Required (for newer attenders- East side multipurpose space). For more details about spring electives see the descriptions at the top of the Assemblyline.

Construction Update! What to expect to see today: Altered South entrance and torn up South parking lot. Do not park South or West of the meetinghouse. What is planned for the next week: Flooring in the renovated space will continue to be installed. Holes will be dug in the South parking lot.

Assembly's pattern of collecting food for the Window has been an important way to share with our community and include our children in worship. However, in the past year or so, collections have tapered off and both space and time considerations have made this practice more challenging.

Worship committee is proposing a break from our corporate worship Window offerings. TODAY, May 13 will be our last collection, so please give generously. If you have ideas of how to modify this practice or strong feelings about it please feel free to contact Tom Kauffman.

Rieth Park Neighborhood Association is one mode of potential outreach to the community for Assembly. If you live in the area between College Avenue and Plymouth, from the railroad to 16th St., your presence at our meetings would be helpful and welcomed. Our next meeting is this coming Mon, May 14 at 7pm. Use the north entrance and make your way to the worship space.

Come celebrate with our high school seniors! There are 5 Assembly seniors this year and Ben, Greta, Hannah, Simon and Elena invite you to attend their open houses. The details for each are: Simon Graber Miller- Sat, May 26, 11am-1pm, Graber Miller home, 208 River Vista Drive. Ben Good Elliot- Sat, May 26, 3-5pm, College Cabin, 309 Reservoir Pl. Elena Meyer Reimer- Sat, June 2, 12-2:30pm Meyer Reimer home, 618 S. 6th St. Greta Lapp Klassen- Sat, June 2, 6-9pm, Lapp Klassen home, 619 S. 7th. Hannah Kurtz- Sat, June 9, 5-8pm, Kurtz home, 201 N. 22nd St.

It is with joy that we will celebrate the baptism of Jeremiah Chico on May 27 during first hour. Offer your words of counsel and affirmation with him!

Assembly seeks one new MYF coordinator to work with high school aged youth throughout the year. You will be joining Daniel and Ally Mast. Coordinators receive a stipend for their work; two-year term is preferred. The job description is available on the website. To apply, submit a letter of interest and resume to Cynthia Good Kaufmann, chair of the MYF search committee.

Leadership Group's meeting on Monday included agenda items discussing an update to our safe church policy, next steps in transition work, building updates and much more. To follow the work of Leadership group you read approved minutes on the website.

Assembly's Spiritual Life Resources binder contains info about local spiritual directors, local retreats, and more. It currently resides on the left-hand side of the metal mailboxes. Feel free to take any document with more than one copy or make copies of any of the handouts.

A key labeled "Garden Meter" was found in the Assembly parking lot last Sun. If it is yours, please email office@assemblymennonite.org

Alex & Abby Nafziger Peterson have been home with Hans for over a week now. Alex is doing the cooking since he's on Family Medical Leave from his job. When he & Abby return to work, they will be happy for us to take meals to them. Small group 8th St+ will organize a sign-up for people to take meals once they're ready.

Tanzania Education Aid (TEA) thanks Assembly for your support. For a recent report on the organization, see a letter from TEA linked at the top of this newsletter.

John and Lois Nafziger have a basement apartment at 1807 Mayflower Place directly behind the hospital available June 1. It has a kitchen/living room, bathroom, bedroom and its own laundry. \$400/month all utilities included. Great location for Goshen college students. Call 534-3968 if interested.

In June Gwen Gustafson-Zook and Keith Graber Miller will take a group of 20 high school students to Guatemala for the Lilly-funded Study-Service Theology Term. They need someone to drive a 15-passenger to take them to and from O'Hare Airport -- early in the morning of Sat, June 9 (we would need to leave the college by about 3

or 3:30am that morning to catch an 8:54am international flight), and coming in on Sat/Sun, June 23/24 (flight comes in at O'Hare at 12:15am Sun morning, so the drivers would have to go up late Sat night and we would return in the middle of the night/early morning Sunday). Are you available and trained, or willing to do the one-hour training for the vans? We can pay \$150.00 for each trip. Please contact keithgm@goshen.edu if you are willing.

Rieth Park Neighborhood Association is seeking a volunteer to help with communication. This role involves about 1-3 hours/month and involves sending emails to neighborhood residents about upcoming meetings and events, preparing occasional one-page newsletters and posting on the neighborhood Facebook page. Please talk to Mary Gilbert if you're interested or know someone who might be!

Central District Conference's May issue of Reporter can be read [here](#).

(repeat) **Caring for the Corporate Body:** We are a congregation with diverse abilities, disabilities, and comfort levels; we experience the world differently. Please recognize that needs for personal space and touch are different for different people. Offer a hand in greeting and ask before you give a hug or greet someone in a physical manner. Some have serious scent allergies. Please don't use perfumes or scented lotions as you come to worship. Some have difficulty hearing. Please use the microphone and stand up to speak (if you're able) so that others will hear more clearly. Some are vision impaired and need to hold printed materials close to read them. Please respect their need to use their own song book and handouts.

(repeat) **Small group Maple** is delighted to recommend Danny Aramouni and Eliana Neufeld Basinger for covenanting TODAY, May 13! Please offer them your welcome!

(repeat) **The poem** Magdalene-The Seven Devils by Marie Howe, read during 1st hour April 29 can be read [here](#). Also, attached at the top of this email is a document titled "The Problem of Divine Plurality", reflections from Paul Keim on the 'divine plurality' cited in the Gen 1:26-27 reading from last week's sermon.

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(repeat) **The Goshen Community Chorale** will be presenting its spring concert on Sat, May 19, at The Goshen Theater. The starting time is 7pm. The featured work will be "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass," by Carol Barnett. Assemblyites Ethan Setiawan and Sarah Turner both have featured roles in this performance and a number of others of us are also involved. Although new, this unique composition is already being described as a "masterwork" and "a compelling statement of faith." There is no admission charge and all are welcome.

(repeat) **It's time to register** your children for Vacation Bible School June 4-8! You can register online at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScZSJl-Pcoik2cDV5hArctNNueQ_GuhMsOqCbuEDSYcBBO8rw/viewform

(repeat) **The Yoder Smucker family** sends out a big thanks to Assembly for helping to welcome baby Ada! Levi, Rebecca, and Ada will be moving to Cooperstown, NY in June for Levi's general surgery residency at Bassett Medical Center. They welcome all baseball, opera, and Brewery Ommegang fans to come visit!

(repeat) **The entire move** is not yet complete, but the mail for Al and Mary Ellen Meyer is now going to 645 River Race Drive. Please make that change on your mailing address list! Phone number and email address are the same.

(repeat) **Michiana Relief Sale 2018 Quilt Auction** is looking for quilts! You can fill out the form attached at the top of this email or register online [here](#). See Helen Glick with ?'s.

(repeat) **Please find attached** at the top of this email the latest update from the Ross Richer Family.

(repeat) **Kailey Rice**, a student at Goshen College, is looking for a host family for the summer (May 24-July 16), ideally close to the college. If you or someone you know might can help, please contact Kailey at kayleystarshine@gmail.com or 214-842-1444

community connections

The Window's list of needs: **Pantry**- Shampoo, Deodorant Baby Wipes, Diapers sizes: 4, 5 & 6, canned beans: kidney, Pork, Chili & Refried, Hamburger, Roasts, Pastas, Canned Corn, Tomato & Chicken Noodle Soup, Canned Fruit,

Cereal, Hamburger Helper, Spaghetti Sauce, Tomato Products; **Katie's Kitchen** – Coffee, Paper Napkins, Sugar, flour, Jello, Pudding, 10# Cans of Fruit & Vegetables, Kool-Aid & Lemonade

This Sat, May 12, is the annual Letter Carriers' Food Drive! Set food out at your mailbox and it will be picked up and distributed to local food pantries!

Goshen TAIZE Worship Sunday Evening: Goshen College students will host the final TAIZE Worship Service for this school year this Sun, May 13. All are invited to join with GC students, faculty, staff and community members for an hour of contemplative and meditative worship, inviting us to find our center in Divine Love. Come be restored. 8pm in Newcomer 19 (on the Goshen College Campus). All are welcome.

Sharing Sacred Stories is a group experience of telling our own and receiving one another's experiences of the sacred. Hosted by Nina Lanctot at Pathways Retreat ([309 1/2 Hackett Rd, Goshen](https://www.pathwaysretreat.org)). May 7, 14, 21 & June 4, 11, 18, 25. Come once or often. There is no cost or registration required, though a contribution to Pathways is appreciated. Visit www.pathwaysretreat.org for more information.

Spirited Movement Prayer is an opportunity to practice yoga for mind, body and spirit at Pathways Retreat ([309 1/2 Hackett Rd, Goshen](https://www.pathwaysretreat.org)). Classes are open to all shapes and abilities. May 7, 14 and 21, 5-6pm. To register: www.pathwaysretreat.org.

A Bird Walk Series, facilitated by Annie Aguirre, will be hosted at Pathways Retreat (309 1/2 Hackett Rd, Goshen): Sat, May 12 at 9am, Sun, May 13 at 3pm, Sun, May 27 at 2pm, and Sun's, June 3, 10, and 24 at 3pm. Come for one or all of the walks. There is no registration; a donation of \$5-10 per walk is appreciated. For more info: www.pathwaysretreat.org.

Pathways Retreat's monthly newsletter, Rhythms can be viewed [here](#).

Bethany Christian Schools grades 4-8 music students will present spring concerts on Tue and Thur, May 15 & 17, in the school chapel. Grade 6-8 choral groups will perform on Tue beginning at 7pm; grade 4-8 instrumental groups will perform on Thur with beginning band/orchestra at 6:30 and

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middle school band/orchestra groups at 7:30. There is no admission charge and all are welcome to attend.

May 18-19 is NatureFest at Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center in Wolf Lake, Indiana. This outdoor spring celebration is fun for the whole family – with canoeing, hiking, crafts, meeting farm animals, creating nature art and more! Activities will allow you and your family to spend time enjoying the outdoors, learning and exploring! Cost: \$5-\$15

Curious about what Palestinian Liberation Theology is? Join Michiana Voices for Middle East Peace as they host the Palestinians Speak Justice tour featuring prophetic Palestinian voices: Tarek Abuata, executive director of Friends of Sabeel North America (FOSNA), and Rev. Naim Ateek, founder of the Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center in Jerusalem. Abuata will discuss how to live liberation theology by lifting up Palestinian voices and acting in solidarity with Palestinian calls for justice within the United States. Ateek will share insights from his newest book, *A Theology of Palestinian Liberation*. May 23, 7pm at Mennonite Church USA offices [3145 Benham Ave., Elkhart IN 46516](http://3145BenhamAve.com)

Goshen College will again offer a number of summer camp opportunities for kids of all ages, including Musical Theater Camp (grades 9-12; June 17-23), 3D Art Camp (Grades 6-8; July 9-13), Write on Sports Camp (grades 7-8; July 9-20), basketball fundamental skills camps (ages 8-15; June 18-20 or July 23-25) and basketball elite camp (high school sophomores, juniors and seniors; Aug. 4-5). Learn more and sign up at goshen.edu/summercamps.

Amigo Centre Summer Camp Registration is open and filling up fast. Summer camp is a fun week of outdoor activities, learning about God and making new friends. We've added a second week of Adventure camp for High Schoolers. Overnight camps start for ages 6-17. to register or to find more information about camp check out our website amigocentre.org/summer-camp.

Attention Golfers - Registration for Amigo Centre's Camp Scholarship Golf Scramble is open. This event will be held on June 2 at 8am at Klinger Lake Country Club in Sturgis MI. If you enjoy hitting the links and want to support scholarships for kids to come to camp, sign up for this

event! You can register by calling 269-651-2811 or online at amigocentre.org/amigo-golf-scramble.

How Then Shall We Live? A week-long immersion in the wild to bring out the deep wisdom, fierce joy and sacred strength of men. Come wade into the wilds of New Mexico! Highlights include homemade meals in an adobe hacienda, visiting Taos Pueblo, plunging into the waters and canyons of the Rio Grande Gorge, wilderness solos, songs and campfires, morning meditations and biblical analysis in wild places—all designed to open radically new possibilities for men seeking a wilder way of fierce love for God, humanity and our precious earth. Guided by Todd Wynward for adventurous men 18+ in Taos, New Mexico, Sept 8-15, 2018. For registration info on this Mennonite Men experience, visit www.mennonitemen.org.

Putting together a kit for MCC? Our kit contents have changed, so be sure to check out the updated lists before shopping. See mcc.org/kits for complete lists or contact the MCC Great Lakes office at 574-534-4133 or GreatLakes@mcc.org for printed kit cards with itemized lists and instructions. MCC needs comforters and relief kits most urgently at this time. Thank you for sharing God's love and compassion in a tangible way, reminding people that their needs are not forgotten.

Serve with MCC for two years as a canner operator! Are you interested in an exciting opportunity to travel across the U.S. and Canada canning meat for those in need all over the world? Consider serving with MCC as a canner operator! Canner operators travel with the mobile meat cannery to 34 different locations, canning beef, turkey, chicken and pork. Cannery operators are responsible for all aspects of the project including: operating steam and pressure vessels, coordinating volunteers, maintaining and communicating USDA regulations and the maintenance of all machinery in the process. Potential applicants should be male, single, at least 21 years old with CDL eligibility and possess mechanical aptitude. Student loan assistance available. Visit mcc.org/canning for more information!

Administrative Assistant / Bookkeeper sought for small virtual office based in Goshen, IN, 15-20 hours per week. Requirements: Excellent organizational skills. Standard office skills working with Word, Excel, and other

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Microsoft Office products. Proficiency in QuickBooks (including adaptability to QuickBooks Online version). Ability to work remotely with Executive Director using various online tools. Ability to work from home or an existing office in the Elkhart County area with regular access to the Goshen Post Office. Pluses include writing skills, familiarity with social media, and familiarity with a broad range of Anabaptist/Mennonite organizations and people. Interested persons should submit a resume and three references (employment, personal, pastoral). For further information, see www.mennohealth.org or contact Paul Leichty at Mennonite Healthcare Fellowship, 1-888-406-3643 or pdleichty@mennohealth.org.

(repeat) **The Maple City Community Orchestra** will present "Vintage Pops" Sat, May 12, 7:30pm at Goshen College's Sauder Concert Hall. The concert will feature music of Leroy Anderson, best known for his compositions performed by Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops. The concert also includes the original Star Wars Suite composed by John Williams. Guest soloist Kentucky T. Dutchersmith will perform Anderson's *The Typewriter*. The concert is free and open to the public. Free will offerings will be accepted at the door.

(repeat) **Emmaus Performance:** Bethany Christian High School's performing arts troupe, Emmaus, will present its final public program on Sat, May 13, at 6pm in Bethany's chapel. Shared in area elementary schools and other public venues, this year's show is entitled *Metamorphosis*, a show about change. The performers lead the audience through stages of change, from freaking out, to reaching out for help, to acceptance, to living into the change. *Metamorphosis* is lively, entertaining, and insightful incorporating songs like "We Don't Know" (The Strumbellas), "One Call Away" (Charlie Puth), and "Changes" (Ziggy Marley), and stories like "The House in the Hole in the Side of the Tree" and "Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons."

(repeat) **Free Training:** Community Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse & Neglect Luncheon May 18, 12-1:30pm at CAPS- Joy Rose Center [1000 W. Hively Ave. Elkhart, IN 46517](http://www.caps-indiana.org). CAPS - Child And Parent Services is offering free training for both professionals and volunteers who work with children. A complimentary lunch will be

served and seating is limited to 50 participants. Attendees of this training learn how to recognize signs of abuse and neglect and the details on how to report it. Click the [Register Now](#) link to sign up. If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact Gina Stone at gstone@capselkhart.org or at 574-522-1998 ext. 244.

(repeat) **Maple City Chapel** presents "Come Alive". Ichoose Student Conference "The Student Worship Experience" with conference speaker Calvin Whetstone. Worship Leaders: One Worship. May 20 5:30pm at Maple City Chapel in Goshen with a parking lot party at 4pm and pre-service special guest Hilgy at 5pm. For more info: 533-0327 or maplecitychapel.org.

(repeat) **The final event of MEDA's** program year, our annual business meeting, has been moved to May 31 so that outgoing MEDA president Allan Sauder can attend as our guest speaker. Sauder recently announced his retirement from MEDA, effective later this year. The event will be held in the Lambright Center at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary (AMBS) in Elkhart, and will feature a Middle Eastern meal as a nod to our support of the Jordan Valley Links project this year. We'll review chapter finances, talk about board transitions, and enjoy Allan Sauder as our featured speaker. Please plan to join us! To RSVP, please email info@michianameda.org, text or call 574-355-3607 (voicemail only).

(repeat) **All are invited** to the installation service for Glen Guyton, which will take place Aug 1 at College Mennonite Church in Goshen, Indiana. More information: <http://mennoniteusa.org/news/glen-guytons-installation-as-mc-usa-executive-director-to-take-place-in-august/>

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