

AssemblyLine

May 29, 2016

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Lectionary Texts: 1 Kings 18:20-21, 30-39; Psalm 96;
Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10

Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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574-534-4190 / office@assemblymennonite.org

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

WORSHIP

May 29

Worship leader: *Bill Mateer*

Sermon: *Lora Nafziger*

Welcoming & take-down: *Hug & One & Food Group*

Scripture: *Acts 8:26-40*

Sunday School: *Visions of Peace (Isaiah 65:17-25)*

Jun 5

Worship leader: *Gayle Gerber Koontz*

Sermon: *Mary Lehman Yoder*

Welcoming & take-down: *Cheers & Espanol*

Window & 2% Offerings

Scripture: *Galatians 5:22-25*

Sunday School: *Jesus' ascension (Luke 24:50-53)*

CALENDAR

Wed	Jun 1	Final Spring work day at the meetinghouse
Tue	Jun 7	7pm Leadership Group meeting
Sun	Jun 19	12pm Surprise Luncheons

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Owen Luke Metzler was born Sun, May 15 to Rachel Beyeler and Josiah Metzler and joyfully welcomed by the entire family and their small group Food Group. If you are interested in taking the family a meal, see Sarah Horst or Rose Stutzman of Food Group.

Are you ever confused when you find one shoe, or one glove, or a sippy cup in the meetinghouse with no person attached to them? All of these items can be found in the lost and found, which will be on a table in the multi-purpose space this Sun, May 29. Make sure you stop and check for your items; what is left after today will be taken to the Depot.

Summer Sunday School begins Jun 12. There are still 14 spots available for teachers. This is a great opportunity to connect with AMC children that works with your summer schedule. Sign up for one or two weeks at the front of the Worship Space.

You are invited to Assembly surprise luncheons on Sun, June 19. This is an excellent way to learn to know newer people at AMC and fellowship with old friends. Host and guest sign-up sheets are on the table in the gathering space. Please sign up by Sun, June 12 to participate.

Congratulation to the graduating seniors of Goshen High School: Abigail Brunk Greaser, Charlie Ostergren, Ian Keim, Joshua Schirch (graduation Sun, June 5) and Bethany Christian High School: Magdalena Dutchersmith,

Mia Graber Miller, and Hyein Kwon (graduation Sun, May 29). To hear more about the seniors, plan to be at church on June 5 when they will be “mugged”.

Glen and Marilyn Miller have moved and are now at home at: 1725 Juniper Place, Apt 312, Goshen IN 46526 Telephone: [574 537 3732](tel:5745373732) or [574 903 7717](tel:5749037717)

Comforter/s needed: One of the activities for our joint Vacation Bible School (June 6-10 at College Mennonite Church) will be assembling welcome kits for Goshen College international students. We need a few twin-size knotted comforters for these kits. If you would be willing to donate one on behalf of Assembly (via Bible School), please contact Annette Brill Bergstresser at brillbergs@gmail.com or 343-6709 (text/call) by Wed, June 1. Thank you for considering this opportunity!

(repeat) **You're invited** to join the board of Walnut Hill for complimentary breakfast to learn more about the work of Walnut Hill. Thur Jun 2, 7:30-8:30am at Greencroft. RSVP to Robin Ebright Zehr (rmkebright@hotmail.com) or sign up at the round table in the gathering space.

(repeat) **LaCasa wants to thank Assembly** so much for sending a group to volunteer at Help-A-House. Despite the nasty weather, a lot of great work was accomplished. We were inspired by everyone's energy and enthusiasm. Thank you so much for partnering with us in this!

(repeat) **The painting currently hanging** at the front of the worship space was done by Jon Zirkle. An explanation of the painting written by Jon is attached at the top of this

email (in tiny writing) and available as a print out on the literature table.

(repeat) **Richard and Jean Hirschler** have moved. Their new address is: 1228 Greencroft Drive, Goshen, IN, 46526.

(repeat) **In three weeks, children and adults** will CATCH THE SPIRIT and Come & See Jesus at Bible School at College Mennonite Church Jun 6-10. Adult/youth volunteers are still needed for one then & now activity called Stretching, mostly involving drama and role play. One family group leader, several assistants, drama and worship participants. See Christa Janzen or Sarah Horst if you are interested in volunteering. If you still haven't registered your children, please see Christa and Sarah asap.

(repeat) **The Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)** Great Lakes Board of Directors has named Eric Kurtz as the organization's next executive director. He succeeds Zenebe Abebe, who has served as executive director since 2011. Kurtz will begin his new position on Aug 1. He will continue to work out of the MCC Great Lakes office in Goshen. Congratulations, Eric! ([More information](#))

(repeat) **Assembly natives Sadie Gustafson Zook** and Ethan Setiawan are performing at Art House on Fri, May 27. The two collaborators were both in the band Theory Expats. In this concert they will be exploring the jazz pop and folk worlds through their own distinct lenses. Tix are \$15, \$10 for students. Show starts 7pm, doors open 6pm.

(repeat) **Inviting your prayers for Merle** and Eunice Brenneman who moved here from Denver, CO a year ago. Merle was recently diagnosed with metastatic brain cancer. Your prayers for wisdom and courage are appreciated as they learn more about Merle's prognosis and explore treatment options. You can follow Merle and Eunice's journey on their Caring Bridge site: caringbridge.org/visit/merlebrenneman

(repeat) **Gratitude Journal for Lois Johns Kaufmann:** There is still time to write a favorite scripture passage, prayer, blessing or word of thanks to Lois for her 8 years of service to Central District Conference. You may email an entry to Lisa Weaver at weaverld70@gmail.com by June 1. Please write "CDC Journal for Lois" in the subject line. Entries received by email will be printed out and included in the journal.

(repeat) **A note to Assembly children** from Mennonite Mission Network: Thank you for collecting \$311.97 in your blue globe banks for refugees in Quito, Ecuador. Your money will help the people of Quito Mennonite Church offer hospitality to people from Colombia who flee their country because of violence and war. Blessings to you all!

(repeat) **Goshen College is in need of welcome baskets** for new international students. AMC small groups are invited to put together a kit or two along with a welcome note. Please contact Rebecca Sommers by July 18 for more details and to be matched with a student. Finished baskets to be dropped off at Welcome Center by Aug 19.

community connections

You are invited to a retreat using Matthew 25 as a guiding text for an exploration of being present to our own inner hungry, poor, imprisoned and sick parts. Sat, Jun 4, 9am-5pm. Pathways Retreat Center, suggested donation \$25. Please bring your own sack lunch. Led by Mother and Daughter: *Julia Baker* and *Lynn Baker*, to RSVP or for questions contact hoolia2@gmail.com or (559) 908-3440.

Singers wanted to help celebrate Mennonite-Lutheran dialogue and reconciliation, Sat, June 11, 10:30am -12pm at the Century Center in South Bend. Mennonites have been invited to share our hymnody and help lead worship at the IN-KY Synod Assembly of the ELCA. Scott Hochstetler, choir director at Goshen College, will lead a Mennonite group in singing half a dozen familiar hymns before and during worship. If you can come at 9am, you will hear the story of Mennonite-Lutheran reconciliation and share in song during that session. Call André Gingerich Stoner, Mennonite Church USA, at [574-523-3060](tel:574-523-3060) for more information and to register your interest or e-mail andregs@mennoniteusa.org.

Join Oaklawn in Goshen or South Bend for a discussion about how minimizing certain aspects of biblical scripture may inhibit our ability to relate to those who have experienced trauma. Corinna Guerrero will share her perspective on how Scriptures that contain murder (Gn 4), rape (Gn 34) or social desolation (the Prophets) are necessary components to helping those who have experienced trauma. Thur, Jun 16, 8-11am in Goshen or 12-3pm in South Bend. Click [here](#) to register.

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Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary seeks a half-time administrative assistant for enrollment and financial aid. Qualifications include strong organizational and communication skills, ability to work accurately with details and confidentiality, ability to work independently and with a team, and strong computer skills. For a job description, visit www.ambs.edu/about/job-openings. To apply, send letter of application and resume to Daniel Grimes, director of enrollment and financial aid, dbgrimes@ambs.edu.

(repeat) **Study Conflict Resolution in Spanish** at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary professor Daniel S. Schipani, PhD, PsyD will be offering a six-session course, Transformación de Conflictos y Mediación (Conflict Transformation and Mediation) in Spanish during two weekends this summer. Course dates are Jun 3&4, Aug 5&6. This course is open to the community. For more information, contact Bob Rosa, brosa@ambs.edu, [574.296.6207](tel:574.296.6207).

(repeat) **If you are a member of Everence** Federal Credit Union, stop by any branch in our area and vote for MDC Goldenrod to receive a grant that will help provide over \$8,000 to support individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Thanks!

(repeat) **Want to have full access** to online resources at the AMBS library and to the expertise of our librarians? Sign up for the AMBS Research for Ministry Online Seminar. It is an online six month, non-credit course Jul 1-Dec 31. \$75 early registration closes Jun 10. Link [here](#).

(repeat) **Interested in learning more** about the roots of Anabaptism and its meaning for today? AMBS invites you to join us for the Anabaptist History and Theology short course. This is an online, 6 week, non-credit short course led by Jamie Pitts, assistant professor of Anabaptist Studies and co-editor of Anabaptist Witness. Sep 14-Oct 25. More info [here](#).

(repeat) **The Depot is seeking** a Facilities Manager. This full-time position will manage the day-to-day operations of The Depot in Goshen, which houses the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) thrift shop, material resource center, MCC Great Lakes office and several other organizations. Duties include building maintenance, grounds upkeep, equipment management, administrative duties and

relationships with tenants. The Facilities Manager is accountable to The Depot Board of Directors. For more information, contact Ben Shirk at brshirk@maplenet.net or [574-536-8716](tel:574-536-8716). Send resumes to: Ben Shirk, 63341 CR 33, Goshen, IN 46528. Deadline to apply is Jun 30.

(repeat) **Cafeteria Aide Needed at Bethany Christian Schools:** 2-3 hours per day during the school year starting August 2016. Duties may vary, but primary responsibilities consist of serving students and cafeteria cleanup with occasional food preparation. The capacity to work effectively in a team setting and good people skills are helpful.

(repeat) **Would you like to get to know** an international student? Goshen College is looking for host families for a few of our students to live with this coming fall. Interested families should live within a mile of the college and have a spare room in their house. Financial support of \$100-150/month could be available. If interested, please call (535-7472) or email (carleb@goshen.edu). This is a wonderful way to help a young person and learn a bit about another culture at the same time. Thank you!

(repeat) **The Faithful Giving New and Used Auction** at the Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale needs your help (Sept 23 and 24). This auction was reintroduced last year and brought in over \$15,000 for MCC. We are looking for volunteers to help with this year's auction and with help soliciting for items. Contact Deanna King at [875-8987](tel:875-8987) if you are interested. For more info: mennonitesale.org

(repeat) **MDC Goldenrod's receptionist**, Beth, is going with her pastor husband on sabbatical. Volunteers are needed to help staff the front office at MDC Goldenrod while she is gone. Working with individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities can be a real joy. If interested, please contact the MDC Goldenrod office if you can help weekdays from June 24-July 22. [533-9720](tel:533-9720) or info@mdcgoldenrod.org. Thank you!

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