

AssemblyLine

July 10, 2016

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Lectionary Texts: Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82; Colossians 1:1-14;
Luke 10:25-37

Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

WORSHIP

July 10

Worship leader: *Tara Swartzendruber-Landis*

Storyteller: *Tristan Beechy-King*

Welcoming & take-down: *Cardinal & Three*

Communion

July 17

Worship leader: *Julie Keim*

Storyteller: *Carolyn Schrock-Shenk*

Welcoming & take-down: *Kinder & Potentially Attractive*

CALENDAR

TODAY July 10-17 MYF trip to Wilderness Wind
Sun July 31 6pm Support group for caregivers of aging family members, Dawn and Doug's home

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

It is with a mixture of joy and sadness that Leadership Group shares the following announcement: Our sisters and brothers at Bethel College Mennonite Church have strongly affirmed Dawn as their pastor of choice, and she has accepted their invitation. Dawn's last day as our pastor will be Sept 11, 2016. The Leadership Group is planning a congregational farewell for Sun, Sept 11 to celebrate Dawn, her gifts, and the time she has journeyed with us. Further details about this celebration will be forthcoming.

Dawn will be out of the office, traveling with MYF to Wilderness Wind from July 10-17. Please contact Lora for pastoral needs during this time (lora@assemblymennonite.org; cell: 574-312-0732)

Take-them-a-meal schedule has been extended for Carolyn Schrock-Shenk. If you would like to take her a meal, sign up [here](#), or access the link on AMC's website under "Caring for Each Other". See Susan Mark Landis with questions.

Like to walk on the Pumpkinvine Trail? A 3-3.5 mile group walk takes place every Thursday evening at 6pm starting from Abshire Park. We meet at the bicycle racks near the cabin. The weekly walks will continue through the end of September. Everyone is welcome. For more info contact Julia Gautsche or Vivian Schmucker.

Everyone is invited to Rose Stutzman's birthday/retirement party on Sat, July 30, 1:30-4:30pm at Fiddler Pond, Chidister Pavilion. See the invitation on the bulletin board. RSVP to rose.stutzman@gmail.com by July 15 if possible (but if you decide at the last minute, please come).

A note from Andrea Moya: I want to share two pieces of good news with the community. 1) After a lot of paperwork, the US Embassy approved my student visa so I will be able to begin classes at EMU this fall for the MA in Conflict Transformation! Thank you everyone for your support. 2) Two weeks ago, the Colombian government and the FARC (longest-lasting guerrilla group in Colombia) agreed on a bilateral and definitive ceasefire. This agreement goes under one of the five main points in the overall peace agreement which will hopefully be signed by the end of this year. Praise be to God!

A letter from National Immigrant Justice Center (NIJC): We write to thank you for your generous support of NIJC's Goshen office. We deeply appreciate your 2% Fund contributions along with your many warm gestures of support for our work. (The rest of the letter is posted on the bulletin board in the gathering space.)

(repeat) **Help our regular Sunday School teachers** take a summer break! Teachers are needed for only one more Sunday: Grades 1-3 on Aug 7. Email Naomi at office@assemblymennonite.org or sign up on the round white table. A big thank you to those who have signed up!

(repeat) **AMC's leadership group** would like to hear directly from those who continue to have concerns about the building proposal and Assembly's decision to move ahead. We realize that our consensus process puts a significant responsibility on minority voices to speak out, which can be very difficult to do. We would welcome the chance to hear directly and in-depth from you about your concerns. TODAY, Sun, July 10, Jeanne, Lora, Dawn,

Susan and Dana would like to meet with as many of this group as possible following worship service (~11:15am).

(repeat) **Assembly is looking for someone** to clean the church two evenings in a row. Fri, July 22 would cover our weekly cleaning (our regular person is out of town that week), and on Sat, July 23 (or early Sun, July 24) the cleaning would be post-wedding/pre-church. Both are paid positions or could gain MYF service hours. Please contact Naomi at office@assemblymennonite.org if interested.

(repeat) **Thirsty!** Volunteers are still needed for 3 weeks in July and 2 in August, to water plants around the meetinghouse. Contact Mary Gilbert, if you can spare 45 min a couple times for one week, to see that our flowers and hostas survive the summer heat. Tel: 534-1852, or mgilbert1301@gmail.com.

(repeat) **Karl & Michelle Shelly** are on a ten-day, unplanned trip to Verona Italy to get medical care for Michelle. After wrist surgery in April, she developed a rare but severe complication (complex regional pain syndrome). Previously incurable, a new drug treatment is showing great promise but isn't available yet in the U.S. The drug is thought to only be effective if started soon after diagnosis, so with encouragement from several local doctors, they've opted to go where the treatment was developed and is available. Your prayers are appreciated.

(repeat) **Note from Jan Emswiler and Kajungu Mturi:** Many thanks to AMC for their ongoing support of MCC work around the world and also for the support for our family and work during our 3 years with MCC in Zambia. It was a privilege and blessing to be there. We have landed at 1118 Woodleigh Ct, Harrisonburg, 22802. Kajungu will be studying 2 years at EMU CJP focusing on Restorative Justice. Jan has already started teaching Nursing at EMU. Kajungu phone #[5405609369](tel:5405609369). Jan phone# [5404355158](tel:5404355158). We would love to connect with Assembly visiting Hburg, we miss you! Please look us up!

community connections

(repeat) **Gospel Echoes All-Team** Homecoming Sing and BBQ. Meal of bbq chicken provided by donation, free will offering. 4pm Concert, 5:30pm Dinner, 6:30pm concert, Sat, July 9 at Maple City Chapel in Goshen.

(repeat) **New Perspectives on Faith** meets July 10 at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall of College Mennonite Church. Our presenter, Lisa Schirch, is a research professor at Eastern Mennonite University's Center for Justice and Peacebuilding, the North American Research Director for the Japan-based Toda Institute for Global Peace and Policy Research, and a Policy Advisor at the Washington, DC-based Alliance for Peacebuilding. Her topic will be, "Taking Peace to the Pentagon: Reflections on Mennonite Peacebuilding." All are welcome to attend and participate in the discussion following the presentation. For more information see newperspectivesgoshen.org

(repeat) **July 18 is Goshen College's Summer Open House** and kicks off Indiana Private College Week. Nothing is going to tell you more about the right college fit than taking a campus tour, learning about our top academic programs and housing options, and meeting with a financial aid expert. Come join us any day from July 18-22, at either 9:45am or 1:45pm, for a campus tour and to meet our admissions team. More at goshen.edu/visit.

(repeat) **Mediation Skills Training Institute** for Church Leaders presented by Lombard Mennonite Peace Center will take place in Glen Ellyn, IL Aug 1-5. For more info and to register go to LMPeaceCenter.org

(repeat) **Host families are needed for Goshen College** international students: If you have a spare bedroom and live within a mile of campus, think about hosting a Goshen College international student in your home this coming year. For more information, contact Skip Barnett (carleb@goshen.edu).

(repeat) **Mennonite Disaster Service** has urgent volunteer needs in Lusk, WY, up to 10 people needed the weeks of July 4-8, and 18-22, to help with finish work (painting, trim work, flooring, etc.), and Long-term (Leadership) Volunteer Needs in Detroit, MI- Two assistant cooks needed July 25-Aug 12.

(repeat) **LaCasa's ability to carry out its mission** relies on committed, mission-driven employees. We are reaching out to our partners in the faith community to inform you of our current openings: Leasing Assistant, Maintenance Technician, Resident Service/Facility Coordinator, and Construction Manager. Visit <http://lacasainc.net/get-involved/employment/> to learn more

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(repeat) **Mennonite Mission Network** is currently seeking a fulltime Christian Service Recruiter, who will also resource and visit Mennonite Voluntary Service units. Our ideal candidate will have a positive and welcoming presence, and communicate comfortably in person as well as social media in building relationships. Full position description at MennoniteMission.net or email Linda Krueger at StaffRecruitment@MennoniteMission.net

(repeat) **Eighth Street Preschool** is accepting registrations for the 2016-17 school year. Eighth Street Preschool emphasizes discovery learning and social interactions developmentally appropriate for 3-5 year olds, and believes that all children can learn and grow in a safe and inclusive environment. All Lead Teachers have Education degrees and Spanish Translation is available. Children must be 3 or 4 by Aug 1 and potty-trained. Financial aid applications are available. Call 533-6720 for more info or to visit.

(repeat) **La Casa's Community Engagement Specialist**, Jose Elizalde, is looking for 3 volunteers to help with citizenship classes being held at the LaCasa offices at 202 N. Cottage Ave. in Goshen. He hopes for someone who can commit to help for the length of the class. English-only speakers are welcome. The class meets on Fridays, 10am-12pm. The series is 10 weeks long and this Fri (June 24) will be the 3rd class. If interested, email jose.elizalde@lacasainc.net for further info, or call him at 533-4450 ext. 19.

(repeat) **Opportunity to host an international** young adult: Mennonite Central Committee is looking for a host family in the Elkhart/Goshen area for a 29-year old male from Laos who will be participating in MCC's International Volunteer Exchange Program (IVEP) beginning in Aug. Host families have the opportunity to learn about a new culture from the IVEP participant they host, as well as getting to understand their own culture in a new way when they see it through the eyes of someone experiencing it for the first time. Each host gets a monthly stipend that is to be used to cover some of the costs for the room and board of the IVEP participant. For more info contact Amber Falcón at [574-534-4133](tel:574-534-4133) or AmberFalcon@mcc.org.

(repeat) **MDC Goldenrod is looking** for volunteers to cover our front desk for any amount of time June 24-July 22. Covering the reception entails answering the phones

and helping people when they come in to the office 9am-4pm Mon-Thur and 9am-12pm on Fri. If people are only able to volunteer for a short amount of time, we would be very grateful for any and all help! If interested, call the office at [533-9720](tel:533-9720) or email kevinr@mdcgoldenrod.org.

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