

AssemblyLine

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Lectionary Texts: Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56

Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

WORSHIP

August 14

Worship leader: *Carmen Horst*

Sermon: *Dawn Yoder Harms*

Welcoming & take-down: *Rad & Grape*

Scripture: *Jeremiah 17:7-8*

Sunday School: *Building the temple (1 Kings 6,8)*

August 21

Worship leader: *Mary Gilbert*

Sermon: *Bethany Swope*

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

Scripture: *Isaiah 58:9-14; Luke 13:10-17*

Sunday School: *Solomon's wisdom and folly (1 Kings 3-11)*

CALENDAR

TODAY	Aug 14	Fall Worship begins: 9:30am Worship, 11am 2 nd Hour and Sunday School
Wed	Aug 17	6:30pm Annual Children's Harvest Party at Shantz home 60728 CR 27
Wed	Sept 7	11:30am Women's Lunch Bunch

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Magdalena Bridger-Ulloa (4th Parkside) Turned 10 on July 30! Magdalena enjoys climbing trees and jumping out of them. She likes swimming, biking and dogs. She enjoys drawing and had an art sale to raise money for the World Wildlife Fund and Humane Society.

Terran (Teo) Kingsley (6th Rock Run Coop) turned 12 on Aug 5! Teo enjoys acting and writing scripts, geometry and field trips. He would like to be an author one day and is currently reading "The Heroes of Olympus". He enjoys family games, swimming and does not enjoy gardening.

Yabi Kurtz (6th GMS) turned 12 on Aug 8! He plays football, baseball and basketball. He says middle school is great and he especially likes science. He hopes to visit his brother Seth in Ecuador next year. He does not like eating veggies from his mom's garden but enjoys the Olympics.

Linden Rothshank (PreK Goshen Montessori) turns 4 on Aug 14! Linden loves to play Lego. He enjoys reading the Family Circus cartoons. He likes brown rice. He enjoyed a family trip to North Carolina this summer. He likes playing with his new cat Ronaldo.

Saya Quintana (CCYC) turns 2 on Aug 15! Saya loves singing and dancing to her favorite songs, coloring on everything but paper, and experimenting with different activities to make Mommy and Papi laugh.

We extend heartfelt sympathies to Jose Rocha upon the death of Jose's father Jose Rocha Montoya, 70, on July 6.

Fall Worship and Sunday School starts TODAY! See the top of this email (in tiny writing) for a list of students, teachers, and classroom locations.

There have been some additional members needs requests this summer, including a large request, and we would like to increase the members needs fund by \$10,000. If you would like to give to this fund, please designate it in the memo line of your check.

The annual children's garden harvest party will be this Wed, Aug 17, 6:30 PM, at Steve and Kate Shantz's, 60728 CR 27. There will be a bonfire after the harvest is complete, with s'mores and other goodies. The harvest will be large!

"The Days Just Fly By. . ." Women's Lunch Bunch kicks off the year with a presentation by Susan Nelson on Wed, Sept 7, at 11:30 in Greencroft Community Center. Please sign up in The Gathering Place by Sun the 28 or call Joyce Hostetler at 574-537-3762 by Fri, Sept 3. As always you can order food or bring your own.

Merv, Rose, and Elena Stutzman have moved! Their new address is 825 S 8th St.

(repeat) **Our offerings this year** to date are running about the same as last year. However we increased our budget for 2016 by almost 9% over 2015. This leaves us running significantly behind our goal for the year. In order to meet our commitments for church wide giving and meet our budget, we need to increase our giving in this last quarter.

(repeat) **The 2% Committee** proposes the following Summer distribution plans: Local 1.\$500 Seed to Feed - Church Community Services 2. Walnut Hill - Leadership Education \$800 3. Cultural Proficiency Education in Goshen Public Schools - Miriam Aviliar \$1000 4.MDC Goldenrod Community Member Assistance \$350 5. Ryan's Place -Grief Seminar Assistance \$1000 6.Elkhart County Clubhouse \$1000. 7. Camp Friedenswald Camper Assistance Fund \$1000 World 1.MCC a.Syria/Iraq \$1000 b. Africa (Sudan) \$1000. c. unrestricted \$1000 2. Tanzania Education Aid \$1000 3. Dominican Republic Aid \$1000.

Please bring any concerns regarding these distributions to one of the committee members by 8/9/16. Also, please let any committee member know of future recommendations and distribution suggestions for 2% funding. You can reach Steve Schrock at sdschrock@hotmail.com

(repeat) **Watercolor Weekend** at Camp Friedenswald with John Blosser: Explore the cool beauty of Fall with brush on paper! Develop your skills, no matter what level, in the warm company of other students in the beautiful hills of southern Michigan. Sign up now for our Oct 14-16 workshop! For more info and to register go to friedenswald.org/retreats. Call 269-476-9744 or email program@friedenswald.org

(repeat) **Sally Weaver Glick will be offering** spiritual direction groups Sept-May 2016/17. Registration deadline is Sept 1. A brochure for the groups being offered is attached at the top of this email (in tiny lettering).

(repeat) **It is again time to contribute** to the Assembly MCC School Kit Fund. Johanna Sutter will do the shopping for you. The need is greater than ever so write checks to Assembly Mennonite Church and on the item line write "MCC School Kits." Checks can be place in the regular Sunday offering. Cash is also accepted in the offering if placed in an envelope and clearly labeled for "MCC School Kits." Cash can also be given directly to Johanna. Thank you for your help!

(repeat) **The new Children and Worship class** welcomes donations of taller shelves for storage in the house.

(repeat) **Congratulations to Kelsey Johnston** and Samantha Seslar who were married here at Assembly on

Sat, Jul 23. Thanks to all who helped make it a special and wonderful day.

(repeat) **Ethyl Metzler took home** the wrong pair of prescription sunglasses from church! If you are missing your pair or think you might have her prescription sunglasses, please call her or Ed at 534-2245.

community connections

Mennonite Disaster Service has urgent needs in Lusk, WY Aug 14-20 and 21-27. Plumbers and finish carpenters needed urgently. [Visit project page](#). Also, in Kamiah, ID July 11-Sept. 30 where volunteers are urgently needed for constructing three new homes damaged by wildfire. Travel cost covered for US volunteers staying two weeks or longer. Contact John Eshleman [\(909\) 630-3660](tel:9096303660)

Pathways Retreat's August edition of their newsletter, Rhythms, can be found attached at the top of this email.

Mennonite Mission Network has an opening for a Constituent Information Manager. We are looking for someone who can help us organize and analyze our constituent information, and provide excellent customer service to our supporters. Full time position. Complete position description at www.MennoniteMission.net

Mennonite Mission Network has another opening for a Church Relations Coordinator. The primary function is to coordinate and assist in the activities of Church Relations (CR) staff in building and maintaining relationships with pastors and other leaders in congregations and conferences across the United States. Full time position in Elkhart, IN. Complete description at www.MennoniteMission.net .

(repeat) **Join the Jennings Adult Orchestra!** The Goshen College Community School of the Arts is pleased to announce openings for the newly renamed Jennings Adult Orchestra. Formerly the New Horizons Orchestra, Jennings Adult Orchestra is open to adults who play string instruments (violin, viola cello, bass) or who are returning to music after playing earlier in life. Rehearsals start Aug 11, and are held Thur's from 9:30-11am at the Jennings Auditorium at the Greencroft Community Center. Call director Brook Bennett at [\(574\) 312-4610](tel:5743124610) for more info.

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(repeat) **You are invited to the annual** Africa International Mennonite Mission (AIMM) picnic on Aug 13 at Silverwood Mennonite Church, 1712 W Clinton, Goshen, Ind. Bring a basket of food to share and your own table service, drink will be provided. Meal is at 12:00 Noon. Hear updates of how God is at work through AIMM ministries: If you have questions contact: Lola Gingerich at lola@aimmintl.org or [574-535-0077](tel:574-535-0077)

(repeat) **Auditions for Youth Choirs** at the Community School of the Arts: Sun, Aug 14, 2-3:30pm and Sun, Aug 21, 2-3:30pm. Open Auditions will take place at the Goshen College Music Center for three CSA youth choirs: Rejoice (grades 3-5), directed by Kristin Kauffman; Shout for Joy (grades 6-8), directed by Sandy Hill; and Sommo Voci (grades 9-12), directed by Marcia Yost. No registration necessary.

Visit www.gcmusiccenter.org/csachoirs for more info.

(repeat) **Auditions for Youth Orchestras** at the Community School of the Arts: Week of Aug 22-25. Call or text Rosalyn Troiano for an audition at: [\(574\) 536-9795](tel:574-536-9795) Scheduled Auditions will take place at the Goshen College Music Center for two CSA orchestras: Youth Honors Concert Orchestra (grades 7-9), directed by Kyle Miller; and Youth Honors Symphony Orchestra (grades 9-12), directed by José Rocha. Visit gcmusiccenter.org/yho.

(repeat) **The Bible and Israel/Palestine.** Want to know more about the Bible and justice for Israel/Palestine? Pastors Ruben Chupp and Nelson Kraybill invite you to a study/discussion on this book: Walter Brueggemann, *Chosen? Reading the Bible amid the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict* (Westminster John Knox, 2015, 108pp). Open to all, this group will meet at North Main Street Mennonite Church (504 North Main, Nappanee, IN 46550) at 9:30-11am on Sat, Aug 20. Read the book in advance or simply come and hear a summary to join the discussion. For more info contact Ruben Chupp [\(574-773-4558\)](tel:574-773-4558); ruben@northmain.org or Nelson Kraybill [\(574-293-0377\)](tel:574-293-0377); nelsonkraybill@gmail.com.

(repeat) **Refugee Stories:** Come hear about Mennonite Central Committee's work with refugees in Ukraine, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon and Palestine and Israel on Tue, Aug 23, at 2pm. MCC U.S. Executive Director J. Ron Byler spent two months earlier this year in Eastern Europe and the

Middle East and will give a first-hand account. The event will take place at the Jennings Auditorium in the Greencroft Community Center (1820 Greencroft Blvd.) in Goshen. More info at: mcc.org/refugee-stories-goshen.

(repeat) **Register now for Deep Faith:** Anabaptist Faith Formation for All Ages! This practical event will empower Anabaptist pastors, teachers and lay leaders in the church to develop a robust understanding of life with Jesus and expand their imagination of faith formation for the 21st century. The cost for the event, which will be held Oct 6-8 at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary (AMBS), is \$125/regular, \$50/student until Sept. 14. Keynote speakers will be John Roberto of LifelongFaith Associates; Rachel Miller Jacobs, assistant professor of congregational formation at AMBS; and Brian Quan, pastor of Toronto Chinese Mennonite Church.

See <http://mennoniteusa.org/deepfaith> for the schedule, and more info.

(repeat) **Goshen College's new Study-Service Theology Term (SSTT)** is currently seeking 20 high school applicants for a two-week study tour in Guatemala in June 2017. Students will be provided with the opportunity to explore their understandings of Jesus' life and mission in light of contemporary challenges and their own sense of calling.

The deadline to apply is October 2016. SSTT participants' costs for the program will only be a \$100 deposit, which secures their position in the group. To apply, go to goshen.edu/SSTT. If you have questions, contact Graber Miller at keithgm@goshen.edu or [574.535.7436](tel:574.535.7436).

(repeat) **Save the date for a Comforter Bash!** Make plans to join us on Oct 21 & 22 for the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Great Lakes Comforter Bash in Goshen. People of all ages are invited to knot comforters at Pleasant View Mennonite Church (58529 County Road 23). We also need precision sewers to piece and sew comforter tops for the event. Free fabric is available from Nadine Zook Miller, Material Resources Coordinator at The Depot. Contact her at nzm@mcc.org or [574-534-4071](tel:574-534-4071). A handmade comforter provides not only warmth but also a tangible message to people that their needs are not forgotten. More info at mcc.org/comforter-bash.

(repeat) **Assistant Controller/Student Accounts Manager** Goshen College seeks a full-time Assistant

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Controller/Student Accounts Manager. Responsible for student billing and collection, office management, general ledger accounting tasks, account reconciliations and analyses and supervision of two staff. Bachelor's Degree required (in Accounting preferred). Minimum 3-5+ years related experience, familiar with automated systems, and Microsoft Word and Excel experience preferred. For further details and to apply, see the job announcement at www.goshen.edu/employment.

(repeat) **Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale** needs your help! Sept 23 -24. Faithful Giving Auction/New and Used: This live auction on Friday evening is looking for quality items, such as furniture, memorabilia, household items, lawn/garden equipment, outdoor recreational items and antiques. To donate contact Deanna King at deannak23@yahoo.com.

Online/Silent Auction: Both items (artwork, furniture, high quality hand-crafted toys, etc.) and experiences (meals you cook, skills you offer, or jobs you are willing to do) are needed. To donate contact Barb Hassan at [534-5438](tel:534-5438) or Jep Hostetler at [537-3762](tel:537-3762). Quilt Auction: You can register your quilt, wall hanging or comforter by going online at www.mennonitesale.org or calling Helen Glick at [888-503-8559](tel:888-503-8559). Run for Relief: Register online [here](#). The 5K run and 2k walk are on Sept 24 at 8am at the Elkhart County Fairgrounds. Fund Raising Banquet: To help offset the expenses of the sale there is a banquet scheduled for Aug 11 at the Essenhaus. For more info call [888-503-8559](tel:888-503-8559). Volunteer: We are always looking for volunteers the week leading up to the sale and during the sale. If you would like to help call [888-503-8559](tel:888-503-8559). Bake goods: If you or your church would be willing to help make baked goods contact us at [888-503-8559](tel:888-503-8559)

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