

# AssemblyLine

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**Lectionary Texts:** Genesis 37:1-4; Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b;  
Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33

## Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

## W O R S H I P

### August 13

Worship leader: *Carmen Horst*

Storyteller: *Ted Koontz*

Welcome & tear-down: *Hygge & Rad*

Scripture: *Matthew 14:13-21*

### August 20

Worship leader: *Anna Yoder Schlabach*

Storyteller: *Carmen Horst*

Welcome & tear-down: *Net & B*

Scripture: *Matthew 14:22-33*

## CALENDAR

Fri	Aug 11	7pm Lion King, 9pm Back to the Future; JYF fundraising movie night at Ebright Zehr's
Tue	Aug 22	7:15pm Small Group Reps meeting
Sun	Aug 27	12pm Caring for Aging Parents meeting following 2 <sup>nd</sup> hour (brown bag lunch)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### assembly life and people

**Yabi Kurtz** (7<sup>th</sup> GMS) turned 13 on Aug 8! Yabi enjoys sports and his favorite is baseball. Yabi's favorite subject is math. He went on a trip to VA where he explored caves and did a high ropes course. Yabi enjoys going to water parks and hanging out with friends.

**Cecylia Gomez Wengerd** (2nd Waterford) turned 7 on July 24! Cecylia loves Bluemoon ice cream. She likes to play gymnastics and soccer. She likes to sing and play music with her dad sometimes the ukulele. Her favorite animal is a dolphin and gym is her favorite subject in school. She likes to climb trees.

**Cora Shriener Landes** (2nd Parkside) turned 7 on Aug 11! Cora likes to read play outside and go to school. She enjoyed going to a lake house this summer and going to Chicago to celebrate her birthday. She likes to go swimming at Shanklin pool with her family and play with her friends. Hotdogs are her favorite food!

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

**TODAY is the first Sunday** of our Fall Worship series "Jesus as our companion" focusing on how Jesus builds relationships and trust. More about this series can be found in the introduction attached at the top of this email (hard copies on the lit table).

**TODAY is the beginning** of our church year. And people who agreed in the spring to serve on committees begin their work. For those continuing in leadership roles and taking

on new ones, you will find in your mailbox a list of all the committees and positions with your name highlighted. That same document is attached at the top of this email and printed copies are on the lit table.

**Come one, come all** to a movie under the stars! This Fri, Aug 11 the Junior Youth group will host a double feature at the Ebright Zehr barn located at 63950 Old CR 17. Show Times: The Lion King 7:00; Back to the Future 9:00. Bring lawn chairs if you want a seat and cash if you want a snack. Donations will go toward the new building project. Thanks everyone who voted for your favorite film. The JYF has worked hard to coordinate this fundraiser for the Milk and Honey campaign, so we hope many plan to attend.

**Didn't get your "Coin Stacker"** last Sunday? We have more! Make sure you get yours today. This effort is part of the My Coins Count of the Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale. Adults and children can pick up a "Coin Stacker" in the lobby and enjoy stacking your quarters. Each tube holds over \$20. Bring them back on Sept 17 so we can include them with our My Coins Count collection. This does NOT eliminate the children collection money for the My Coins Count. That will be introduced at the end of Aug.

**September is "Small Group Shuffle" time** – that time of year when we form new small groups and help people join small groups at Assembly. If you're new to small groups, see flyer on literature table and contact Karl Shelly for more info. If you're not new to small groups, but are willing to help make space in existing groups or want to expand the people you know at Assembly, also talk to Karl about joining the Shuffle.

**Rehearsals for the MCC Relief Sale** choir will get underway at 3:30 on Sun, Aug 20, at College Mennonite Church. Bill Mateer will be directing the men's ensemble and there will also be a woman's choir. The group will be singing both at the sale and at the closing event on Sun evening, Sept 24. This is the 50th anniversary of the sale and special music is being planned. All are welcome.

**Musical books available** to anyone interested: "J. S. Bach Choral Works," and "Sound the Bamboo CCA Hymnal 1990". office@assemblymennonite.org

**There are so many exciting good causes** to give to but don't forget that just \$2.50 will buy material for a complete school kit. Your donations may make a difference in how many children from one family will be able to attend school. You can give by check, (writing for school kits on the subject line) or cash in the morning offering identified for school kits. The money can also go directly to Johanna Sutter who is accomplished at finding the best bargains around town. Any amount is helpful.

**Ann and Keith Graber Miller** will speak about Found, their international and vintage art gallery in downtown Goshen, at 12:20pm Thur, Aug 17, at the Midwest Museum of American Art in Elkhart. The Midwest Museum currently has seven Found pieces in their "No Boundaries: Outsider Art" exhibition, and Found is supplying the museum store, now called Found at the Museum. The Midwest Museum is located at 429 S. Main Street, Elkhart.

**Industrial Sander and Industrial** Table-saw for sale. Good Condition. Sander priced \$175. Table-saw priced \$150. Willing to bargain. Cash only. Please call or talk to Jeremiah Chico at (574) 312-4793 for more information

(repeat) **Congratulations** to Marlette Gomez and Ryan Wengerd who were married on Sat, July 30! They and daughter Cecylia all now share the last name Gomez Wengerd.

(repeat) **Jon Zirkle and Adrienne Laws Landis** are getting married on Sun, Aug 13 in southern MI. They are very excited! Jon thanks Assembly for support during the last 5 years while attending Assembly. Adrienne attends Southside Fellowship in Elkhart, and her pastor will marry them. Jon will continue to attend Assembly, though may worship at Southside with Adrienne occasionally (and vice

versa). Their wedding will include immediate family only. If you'd like to congratulate them, they will be at Assembly in future weeks after a trip to Savannah GA in mid/late Aug. Adrienne and Jon will live at Jon's current house, located at 1309 E. Lincoln Ave in Goshen (46528).

(repeat) **Assembly Sings** CDs are now available. A donation of at least \$15 per CD is suggested. Proceeds will support the Milk and Honey campaign. Available on Sun morning in the gathering space or from the church office during the week (office@assemblymennonite.org).

(repeat) **Tanzania Education Aid** would like to thank all the people who bought tickets for the Nelson's Chicken fundraiser! We had a very successful fundraiser, and this will go a long way toward assisting students in Shirati, Tanzania.

(repeat) **The Window thanks AMC** for your interest and support. This year The Window is piloting a new program, Lunch Box, a program for low income individuals who are working full time. They received a boxed lunch for free to take to their work place. If you have any questions or would like a tour to see The Window's new enlarged pantry or other programs, please call 533-9680.

## community connections

**The Evergreen Singers** will present a concert to benefit the Center for Healing & Hope TODAY, Sun, Aug 13, at 3pm, at the Plymouth United Church of Christ, 902 S. Main Street in Goshen. The concert is open to all at no charge; a free-will offering will be taken to support the Center's urgent medical care for people who are uninsured and advocacy programs for our immigrant neighbors.

**Auditions for Youth Choirs** at the Goshen College Community School of the Arts: Mon, Aug 14, 6-8pm (walk-in) & Sun, Aug 20, 2-4:00pm (walk-in). 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.

**Auditions for Youth Orchestras** at the Goshen College Community School of the Arts. Week of Aug 21-24. Call or text Rosalyn Troiano to schedule an audition at: (574) 536-9795. Scheduled Auditions will take place at the

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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.

**A new documentary** on Semilla Latin American Seminary will be shown in Umble Center and Goshen College on Sat, Sept 9 at 7:30pm. Semilla provides Biblical and theological education for Christian churches and organizations from an Anabaptist perspective in Latin America.

**AMBS online short course:** Exploring Anabaptist History and Theology: Sept 13 – Oct 24. This Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary online short course taught by Jamie Pitts, Ph.D., covers the birth and development of 16th-century Anabaptist movements and looks at various interpretations of the meaning of “Anabaptism” today. Cost: \$200 before Aug. 23; \$250 after. CEUs available. [ams.edu/shortcourses](http://ams.edu/shortcourses)

**Please join us** for the MCC Great Lakes Open House on Thur, Aug 24, from 4-5:30pm at our office in The Depot (1013 Division Street in Goshen). Meet our staff, and check out our updated office. See how MCC Great Lakes is growing and how you can join us in our work! Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by Aug 21 to [GreatLakes@mcc.org](mailto:GreatLakes@mcc.org) or 574.534.4133.

**Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program.** Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary’s distance-friendly non-degree leadership development program focuses on spiritual disciplines, theological and biblical studies, character development, mentoring and gifts development to help participants deepen their faith and strengthen their leadership. The program requires one visit to the Elkhart, Indiana, area each year. Apply by Aug 25 for the Fall 2017 term. [www.ams.edu/journey](http://www.ams.edu/journey)

**The wildflower meadows** are in bloom at Pathways Retreat! We invite you to come meander along our wooded trails, walk a labyrinth, and enjoy the wildflower blooms while relaxing in one of our colorful adirondack chairs. All are welcome to use the grounds at Pathways Retreat from dawn to dusk each day; no reservation needed. There is no cost, though donations are gratefully received.

**Anabaptist Witness:** Call for submissions. Anabaptist Witness, a journal featuring global Anabaptist and

Mennonite dialogue on key issues facing the church in mission, welcomes submissions for its April 2018 issue on “Mission and Ecology.” Submissions are due to issue editor Sarah Werner ([guesteditor@anabaptistwitness.org](mailto:guesteditor@anabaptistwitness.org)) by Oct 1. More information, including submission guidelines, is available at [www.anabaptistwitness.org](http://www.anabaptistwitness.org). Watch for the Oct 2017 issue on “Mission and Suffering.”

**Pathways Retreat’s** August edition of their monthly newsletter, Rhythms is available [here](#).

**If you live near** the Goshen College campus and have a spare bedroom, we need a Host Family for a couple of female GC international students. Please contact me if you are interested or have questions: Skip Barnett, [carleb@goshen.edu](mailto:carleb@goshen.edu). Thanks very much for all that you do for GC students!

**Church Community Services** Volunteer Opportunities: We have a number of ways we could use help, including assisting in our food pantry, answering phones or getting a group of friends together to help with food production for our Soup of Success Program. Contact Gwen Hershberger at [volunteer@churchcommunityservices.org](mailto:volunteer@churchcommunityservices.org) or [574-295-3673](tel:574-295-3673) @ ext 112 for more information.

**The Window, Inc.** has an *immediate* part-time receiver position available. M-F from 9am-12pm. The prospective candidate must be able to lift 40-50 pounds and salary will be based upon experience. If interested, contact Ed Swartley at [574.533.9680 ext. 209](tel:574.533.9680).

(repeat) **Goshen College Rieth Chamber Series** season tickets on sale Mon, Aug 7. Season of 6 outstanding concerts for \$84, a discount of more than 10%! The 2017-18 series will include a riveting performance by the Fischhoff National Champion string quartet, the magnificence of the Taylor and Boody “Opus 41” organ, a collaboration with the Goshen College Chamber Choir and distinguished musicians sharing repertoire from the Baroque to the present. Subscriptions may be purchased online at [www.goshen.edu/tickets](http://www.goshen.edu/tickets), or in person at the Goshen College Box Office.

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