

# AssemblyLine

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Lectionary Texts: Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

## Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

## WORSHIP

### October 29

Worship leader: *Jon Zirkle*

Sermon: *Danny Aramouni*

Welcome & tear-down: *Hygge & Rad*

Scripture: *Joshua 11:16-23*

### November 5

Worship leader: *Tom Kauffman*

Sermon: *Anna Yoder Schlabach*

Welcome & tear-down: *B & Maple*

Scripture: *Joshua 9*

## CALENDAR

TODAY	Oct 29	12pm Parent/Teacher meeting and pizza lunch
Mon	Oct 30	7:15pm Small Group Reps meeting
Wed	Nov 1	11:30am Women's Lunch Bunch Greencroft Community Center
Mon	Nov 6	7pm Leadership Group Meeting
Wed	Nov 8	6:30-8:30pm Small Group Child Care at Meetinghouse
Sun	Nov 12	12:15pm Racial Justice Ministry Team brown bag lunch

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### assembly life and people

**Sawyer Beachy** (4<sup>th</sup> Meadowview) turned 10 on Oct 1! Sawyer LOVES soccer. He loves to play on the field and in video games, he likes to watch it and write stories about it (he plays basketball too!) Sawyer likes any kind of candy. He enjoys travel with his family and spending time outside.

**Scarlette Wade** (4<sup>th</sup> Parkside) turned 10 on Oct 21! Scarlett likes to swim with GSI and is preparing for her first race. She likes to do art and enjoyed a printmaking class this year. She enjoys reading about science, playing board games and traveling with her family.

**TODAY** is the third week of our Fall Bible Study on the book of Joshua; today's sermon is titled "Conquest: A Canaanite's Perspective".

**Second hour electives** during the Fall Bible Study include: further study of Joshua (Worship Space), exploration of Race in America guided by the newly formed racial justice ministry team (Northeast divider), a contemplative art to feed and nourish the spirit with Julie Keim (Northwest divider), and an outdoor contemplative walking session led by Jon Zirkle. If you would like to participate in the walking session, meet in the hallway outside of the Worship space after coffee time. We will exit the south doors and walk a repeated short loop near the church. You are invited to bring natural objects (not required) to hold while walking and praying.

**TODAY** Paul Meyer Reimer will be taking pictures for the Assembly Photo Directory (on our website [here](#)). Please find him after 1<sup>st</sup> hour if you'd like to add or update your picture, or you can email a digital copy to [office@assemblymennonite.org](mailto:office@assemblymennonite.org)

**Please keep Anne Birky** and family in your prayers as they mourn the loss of Anne's mother, Verna Birky, who died peacefully on Wed afternoon, Oct 25. The memorial service will be on Sat, Nov 4 at 11am. Visitation will be between 9-11 before the funeral and there will be a lunch at noon. Anne is expecting all of her siblings and their spouses plus grandchildren to attend.

**Some attendees of last week's service** have asked for a copy of Kristy Shellenberger Yordy's handout. It is attached to the top of this email.

**Tom and Amy Kauffman** will be traveling this weekend. Please contact Lora or Karl for your pastoral needs.

**Thank you to all** who have signed up for Hospitality and Child Care Tasks for 2018! We are still in need of participants for Preparing Coffee, Kitchen Clean up, Worship Space Set up, 1<sup>st</sup> Hour Child Care, and Counting Cash. If you have not yet signed up, please do so [here](#).

**Through the Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network** (GIHN) Assembly hosts folks in our community who need a place to stay overnight and a hot meal. Our next date is Nov 5-12. Please sign up to provide: Mon: chicken, mashed potatoes, corn, salad, fruit. Tue: Tacos, applesauce,

sheet cake; Thur: Sliced ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, cookies, fruit salad. You may contribute food without helping to serve it. We also need hosts for either over night or 7-10 each evening -depending on the permanent over night location. Please see the sign-up sheet on the round table or talk to Susan Mark Landis.

**On Tue, Nov 7,** Marshall King, well known in the area and our congregation, for writing about food, travel and the community, will share insights about local growers, restaurateurs and freelance writing during an Afternoon Sabbatical at 1pm in the Sauder Concert Hall. This event is free and open to the public.

**Save the Date:** Jan 27, 2018 Children and Worship training with Olivia Stewart. Join us at Assembly for a part or all day training. The morning will be general for any who are interested in delving into the theology and practices of worship with children. The afternoon will provide training for those who want to be involved with Children and worship. More details to follow.

**Walnut Hill cooks** are missing one of their favorite knives. It is a medium sized sharp knife with a white plastic handle. Please return it if you accidentally took it home.

(repeat) **Barn Dance Final Date!** Your minds might be whirling from the multiple changes in date of this year's barn dance. But we promise this is the final one! We have secured a caller for Oct 28. Mark your calendar and brush off your dancing shoes for this event. What: Annual Assembly Barn Dance. When: Oct 28, dance begins at 7pm. Musicians PLEASE contact Wendell Landis if you are free and willing to play at this event!

(repeat) **A new page has been added** to Assembly's website containing information regarding the Bridge Support Team's ongoing work. It can be found under Minutiae, or by clicking [here](#).

(repeat) **I'm happy to report** that \$1,275 have been contributed for School Kits. I've been able to purchase enough supplies for 530 kits. Just think how happy the parents will be to send their child to school to be educated and to be in a more stable environment. Thank you, thank you! Also I've received enough money to buy the materials for 6 more Relief Buckets. That increases the total to 142 Buckets this year. What a joy! From Johanna Sutter (I'm

never done with any project. So if you ever feel led to do any kind of kit just talk to me.)

(repeat) **Bertha Beachy's mailbox** has been moved to the end of the alphabet (at the bottom of the metal mailboxes) so she can reach her mail without requiring assistance. If you also have an inconveniently placed mailbox, please contact [office@assemblymennonite.org](mailto:office@assemblymennonite.org) or 534-4190.

(repeat) **Faith Mennonite Church** often finds the South doors to the meetinghouse open upon arrival in the afternoon. If you are the last to leave the building, please make sure the doors are locked and that you pull them shut so they latch.

## community connections

**A Celebration of Christian Nonviolence.** The annual St. Marcellus Celebration is scheduled for Oct 29 at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at Notre Dame, from 3:30-4:30pm. The service includes prayers, a choir, and message from Jim Forest. A pilgrimage to the Basilica begins at 2:30pm from the Olivet AME Church, [719 N. Notre Dame Ave. South Bend](#) where The Nickle and Dime Theater will perform the *Passion of St. Marcellus*. Come for part or all of this event.

**The UB Bruin Club** is an opportunity for students in grades 3-5 who are planning to attend Bethany Christian Schools or wanting to explore that option. Children can make friends and begin to have their own fun experiences at Bethany. The next meeting is Fri, Nov 3, from 6:30-8pm. This month is classic cooking. Registration is required to plan for ingredients. For more information or to register, see [bethanycs.net/UB Bruin Club](http://bethanycs.net/UB_Bruin_Club).

**Soup of Success** is turning 20 and we are celebrating! Sat, Nov 4 9am-4pm. Church Community Services 907 Oakland Ave in Elkhart. Festivities will include reunions, testimonies, a diy photo booth, samples of SOS products, free giveaways with purchases, a chance to win prizes and, of course, cake!

**Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America** is a National organization, with presence in every state, that works at gun violence prevention. Currently, MCC is working to give some attention to this area. and have been made aware of a proposal to open a Michiana chapter of MOMS. The first meeting will be next Sat, Nov 4 at 2pm,

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hosted at the Bittersweet Library Branch in the Zimmerman room ([602 N Bittersweet Rd, Mishawaka, IN 46544](http://602NBittersweetRdMishawakaIN46544)). If you are interested, they would be very happy to have you! The first meeting will be an introduction to what MOMS does and how they work, an opportunity to learn more. Please check out their website:

<https://momsdemandaction.org/about/>. Thanks for considering how you and your congregation can help reduce gun violence in our area.

**Open House at Bethany:** Bethany Christian Schools will host a drop-in open house noon-2:30pm Sun, Nov 5, for anyone considering attending Bethany. Bring your family for a visit in a laid back and friendly atmosphere. A casual lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by registering online ([www.bethanycs.net](http://www.bethanycs.net)) or contact admissions office (534-2657, [admissions@bethanycs.net](mailto:admissions@bethanycs.net)) so we can plan the meal.

**Free FAFSA help:** During College Goal Sunday, Nov 5, from 2-4 p.m., financial aid professionals will be volunteering to help college-bound Indiana students and their families complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form. The free event will take place in the Goshen College Union Building, and Spanish interpretation will be available. Learn more at [goshen.edu](http://goshen.edu).

**John McCutcheon Concert:** Internationally-renowned folksinger John McCutcheon will be in concert at Bethany Christian Schools at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017. Reserved-seat tickets are \$18 (\$20 at the door). Student price is \$10. Reserve seats online at [bethanycs.net/tickets](http://bethanycs.net/tickets).

**The groundbreaking,** category-shattering string trio Time for Three (Tf3) will perform at Goshen College on Sun, Nov 5 at 7:30pm. For this special Performing Arts Series concert, Tf3 will be joined by the Goshen College Symphony Orchestra for a portion of the concert. For more information or tickets, visit [goshen.edu/tickets](http://goshen.edu/tickets).

**The Goshen College Chamber Choir** will present a concert of music for small choruses on Tue, Nov 7, at 7:30pm in the Goshen College Music Center's Rieth Recital Hall. Because of the small, intimate setting, guests are advised to purchase tickets early at [goshen.edu/tickets](http://goshen.edu/tickets).

**A Hacienda Day** to benefit Bethany Christian Schools will be held Thur, Nov 9. Hacienda will donate 20% of purchases for food, gift certificates, and carryouts all that

day with presentation of a token. Tokens may NOT be distributed inside or outside the restaurant that day. Tokens are available on the lit table.

**Michiana Mennonite Economic Development Associates (MMEDA)** invites you to its next dinner program event on Thur, Nov 9, at 6:30pm in the Koinonia Room at College Mennonite Church. The event, titled "Artists as Entrepreneurs," will feature a panel of four local artists sharing how they've turned their artistic passions into their livelihood. Please RSVP by Mon, Nov 6, to [info@michianameda.org](mailto:info@michianameda.org) or 574-355-3607. Cost is \$5 for students, \$15 for Michiana MEDA members, and \$20 for others, payable at the door (cash or check only).

**Ten Thousand Villages** in Goshen is teaming up with Maple Indian Cuisine for an Indian breakfast fundraiser, Sat, Nov 11, at 8:30am. Help us continue to provide artisans with a fair income and break the cycle of poverty. Tickets for this special fundraiser are \$35 per person. More info is available at [goshen.tenthousandvillages.com](http://goshen.tenthousandvillages.com), on the Villages Goshen Facebook page, or by calling [533-8491](tel:533-8491).

**MCC is in urgent need** of comforters to fill requests from our partners around the world. While handmade comforters are wonderful and welcomed, we recognize the time that goes into making them. Quality store-bought comforters allow for quick donations to meet the current needs around the world. Twin and full-size comforters are both needed, but please ensure the comforters are made of thick, high-quality material. Comforters can be dropped off at either the Kidron or Goshen Material Resource Centers, or consider ordering online and having them shipped directly there. For more info, visit [mcc.org/kits/comforters](http://mcc.org/kits/comforters) or call the Great Lakes office at [574-534-4133](tel:574-534-4133).

(repeat) **Carrie Newcomer** will be performing on Sat, Oct 28, 7pm, at the Sweetwater Performance Theater! She will be joined by long-time collaborator, Gary Walters, on piano. Latin American Missions Board (LAMB) is honored to host an evening with Carrie and her powerful music with opening comments by Dr. Jane Weaver.

(repeat) **Are you interested in joining** a Learning and Fellowship Tour to Ecuador in 2018? The Ross Richer family will be returning to the rain forest to accompany indigenous pastors and community leaders for another 6 month term in December. You are invited to join them on a

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two week “Learning and Fellowship Tour” in early March or a ten day “Mission Adventure Tour” during the first week of April 2018. To learn more about these opportunities, you are invited to attend an information session with the Ross Richers at Waterford Mennonite Church on Sun, Oct 29 at 7pm. If you are interested but unable to attend, please email Jerrell Ross Richer at rossrichers@gmail.com.

more discouraged and that caring individuals will join MDC Goldenrod.

(repeat) **Five years ago, John Horsley**, Oaklawn's director of addictions, rarely saw individuals come in with an addiction to heroin, now it's Oaklawn's most common addiction diagnosis. Join us for an hour-and-a-half session that will include: A brief overview of opiate use disorder; Current stats for our community; Treatment options. 1.0 CEU will be provided. Presenter: John Horsley, MBA, MSW, LCSW, LCAC. Oct 31 at the Elkhart campus. 7:40-8am: Registration; 8-9am: Presentation; 9-9:30am: Q&A. [Click here](#) to register.

(repeat) **AMBS Seminary Preview Evening:** Thur, Nov 2, 5-9pm. At this event on Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary’s campus in Elkhart, Indiana, you can meet students and professors in person, sit in on a class and join us for a meal. Get first-hand information about our on-campus and distance programs, financial aid and scholarships. [www.ambs.edu/admissions/visit](http://www.ambs.edu/admissions/visit)

(repeat) **Calling all quilters!** Gather with a community of other quilters who share your passion and interest at the MCC Quilting Retreat at Camp Friedenswald in Cassopolis, MI, on Nov 3-5. Come alone or with a group, with skills to share or interest in learning, with a project for an MCC auction or a project of your own. More information at [mcc.org/get-involved/events/quilting-retreat](http://mcc.org/get-involved/events/quilting-retreat).

(repeat) **MDC Goldenrod** has an urgent need for caregivers to work overnight and weekends. Work as little as one day each week or full-time with benefits. No experience necessary. For more information, call MDC Goldenrod at [574-533-9720](tel:574-533-9720) or visit us online at [www.MDCGoldenrod.org](http://www.MDCGoldenrod.org).

(repeat) **Prayer request:** MDC Goldenrod staff is stretched thin during this time of low unemployment. Please pray for strength and health for staff who are working many extra shifts to provide the care that community members need and deserve. Pray that overworked staff will not become

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