

# AssemblyLine

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## Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

### WORSHIP

June 3	June 10
Worship leader: <i>Patricia Ebersole Zwier</i> Preaching: <i>Willi Hugo Perez (SEMILLA)</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Rad &amp; Derailed</i>	Summer Worship schedule begins: 1 <sup>st</sup> hour 9:30-11am No second hour or Sunday School
Scripture: <i>1 Samuel 3:1-10; Deuteronomy 5:12-15; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 3:23-3:6</i>	Worship leader: <i>Shaw Perrin</i> Storytelling: <i>Kara Shields, Merritt Gardner, Paul Meyer Reimer</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Hygge</i>
	Scripture: <i>Hebrews 11:1-3</i>

### CALENDAR

TODAY	June 3	Last Sun of Sunday school 12pm Caring for Elderly support group brown bag lunch
Tue	June 5	7pm Leadership Group meeting
Sun	June 10	1 <sup>st</sup> Sun of Summer Worship, (9:30 worship, no 2 <sup>nd</sup> hour or Sunday School)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### assembly life and people

**Joryn Yoder** (rising 7th Bethany) turned 13 on May 27! Joryn loves to read, especially fantasy and sci-fi. She likes to be outside and go on vacation with her family. She plays piano, penny whistle, ukulele, and clarinet. Joryn asks good questions and is a careful thinker about the world.

**TODAY** is the last Sunday of our Eastertide worship series; during 2<sup>nd</sup> hour we will continue our four electives: What I'm reading (Worship space); How to break up with your phone (West side multipurpose); Raising White kids (Old church office, NE corner of the building); Some Assembly Required (for newer attenders- East side multipurpose space).

**Construction Update!** What to expect to see today: New flooring in the gathering space! Trenches dug for foundation of new construction. What is planned for the next week: Flooring in the renovated space will continue to be installed. Continued construction South of the building.

**We extend heartfelt** sympathies to Hilary Bertsche, family, and small group B upon the death of Gladys Bertsche on Sat, May 26. A full obituary is available [online here](#). This Sat, June 2 will be a visitation (9-11am) and memorial service (11am), both held at the meetinghouse.

**Lora Nafziger** is now on sabbatical! She returns Sept 4.

**Growing and Tending.** Summer worship begins June 10. We will gather at 9:30am as usual, and worship until 11am. There is no separate second hour or Sunday school though children will have special activities during the service. This summer will focus on nurturing the spiritual gifts and fruits of faith. We will be worship at Oxbow on July 1 and our summer series will end on Sun., Aug 5 with communion and commissioning service to prepare for a new season of work and study. The introduction to this new series can be found attached at the top of this email and paper copies are on the lit table.

**The 7th annual Blessing of the Bicycles** will happen Sun, June 10 (weather permitting). If you're able, bike to worship and then join us for a blessing in the north parking lot 15 minutes after worship!

**The contents of the worship closet** have moved from the closet, to the cabinets in the tiled portion of the middle classroom. The setup will remain this way until new construction is complete.

**New staffing descriptions** and changes were affirmed by consensus at the May 20 congregational meeting. The following is a brief summary. See the document attached at the top of this email to review the full document. 1: Church administrator (change of title, job description, and number of hours). 2: MYF some changes in responsibilities and additional volunteer staff. 3: Karl--Pastor of

community building and mission (.65 FTE). 4: Lora-- Pastor of faith formation (.56 FTE). 5: New hire- Pastor of worship and pastoral care (.56 FTE). 6: New hire- Pastor of congregational life and hospitality (.56 FTE)

**A search committee** has been formed to hire new pastors: Brian Mast and Jeanne Liechty co-chairs, Barb Swartley, Gayle Gerber Koontz, Stacey Farran, Randy Roth

**Rebecca, Levi and Ada** Yoder Smucker's last Sun with us was on May 27. They would love for Assembly-ites to remain in touch with them: Rebecca:

[yodersmucker.rebecca@gmail.com](mailto:yodersmucker.rebecca@gmail.com), 717-823-7642. Levi: [leviyodersmucker@gmail.com](mailto:leviyodersmucker@gmail.com), 574-213-5007. New address: 10 Fernleigh Dr, Apt D1 Cooperstown, NY 13326.

(repeat) **Worship Committee** continues to collect worship gifts forms. Filling out this form is a way to indicate interest in being involved in Sunday morning worship in a variety of capacities. There are hard copies of the form on the lit table, or you can print out the attachment found at the top of this email, or you can fill it out online on our website [here](http://assemblymennonite.org/assembly-101/get-involved/) (assemblymennonite.org/assembly-101/get-involved/).

(repeat) **A reminder to come celebrate** with our high school seniors! The details for each are: Elena Meyer Reimer- Sat, June 2, 12-2:30pm Meyer Reimer home, 618 S. 6th St. Greta Lapp Klassen- Sat, June 2, 6-9pm, Lapp Klassen home, 619 S. 7th. Hannah Kurtz- Sat, June 9, 5-8pm, Kurtz home, 201 N. 22nd St.

(repeat) **At the end of a two-year term** (Jan. 2016-18), the Mennonite Church USA Panel on Sexual Abuse Prevention created guidelines for response when non-credentialed individuals are accused of sexualized violence. The booklet is now [available online](#) and in print in our church library. For further information on steps Assembly takes to protect our children see our newly revised safe church documents including a digital communication guideline attached to the Assemblyline and [on our website here](#).

(repeat) **The next meeting** of the support group for those caring for adult family members will be TODAY, June 3, after 2nd hour. Bring a brown bag lunch if you care to. Anyone with interest in being supported or providing support is welcome to come. We usually meet in the MYF room. Questions: Mary Roth at 574-312-1763.

(repeat) **I recently received** a donation from Assembly to purchase items for my classroom at Parkside. Two things I'm focusing on next year with my class: field trips and meditation/mindfulness. We'll use the soft sleep masks to help us in meditation, and we'll use the nylon backpacks to carry our water bottles, jackets, notebooks, and souvenirs for our walking field trips. Thank you, Assembly, for supporting public schools. -Maria Wenger

(repeat) **Sue and JR Burkholder** have both changed their email addresses to [sueburk@gmail.com](mailto:sueburk@gmail.com) and [jrburkholder28@gmail.com](mailto:jrburkholder28@gmail.com). Please update your contacts accordingly; they no longer use their old email addresses.

## community connections

**It's barbecue time** at the Window! Our June First Friday host, Lippert Components will be grilling brats and burgers served with all the fixings, accompanied by sides of coleslaw and potato salad to help get you into the spirit of summer. The cost for this meal is a suggested donation of \$9 and as always, all proceeds benefit The Window's programs. Dinner is served Fri, Jun 1 from 4:30-7pm unless the food runs out.

**A Latino Business Expo**, coordinated by the Center for Healing & Hope, is scheduled for Sat, Jun 9, at Everence, 1110 North Main Street, Goshen. We believe healthy families create healthy businesses, so come to discover how we can work together to build a stronger community for all of us. The exhibition is open to everyone beginning at 5:30 pm with opportunities to network with Latino business owners and entrepreneurs. Cosponsors are the Goshen Chamber of Commerce, Goshen College, InterCambio Express, Lippert Components and Everence. Please register if you plan to attend: [www.CHHclinics.org/Latino-business-expo](http://www.CHHclinics.org/Latino-business-expo).

**Pathways Retreat** is a birding hotspot with 97 species spotted to date. Join Annie Aguirre for one or all of our bird walks at Pathways Retreat (309 1/2 Hackett Rd, Goshen): Sundays, June 3, 10, 24 at 3pm. Walks are 60-90min depending on bird activity. There is no registration; a donation of \$5-10 per walk is appreciated. See [www.pathwaysretreat.org](http://www.pathwaysretreat.org) for more information.

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**Spirited Movement Prayer** is an opportunity to practice yoga for mind, body and spirit at Pathways Retreat (309 1/2 Hackett Rd, Goshen). 60 min. classes are open to all shapes and abilities. Thursdays, June 7, 14, 21 at 7pm. \$15 per class or \$36 for a 3-session punch card. [www.pathwaysretreat.org](http://www.pathwaysretreat.org)

**Join us at Pathways Retreat** for a community evening of Solstice reflection and Soul Tending. Wed, Jun 20, 7-8:30pm. Meet Anita Amstutz, author of *Soul Tending: Journey into the Heart of Sabbath*. There will be opportunities to purchase the book and have your copy signed. Visit [www.pathwaysretreat.org](http://www.pathwaysretreat.org) for more info.

**Pathways Retreat's** June edition of their monthly newsletter, Rhythms, can be read [here](#).

**The Anabaptist Disabilities Network** (ADN) Board of Directors seeks a visionary leader to be the ADN public face to constituents, supporters, and congregations. Proven faith-based fundraising and constituent cultivation ability required. A heart for inclusion of persons with disabilities and their families in the life of the church is a must. The ability to regularly connect with regional congregations, supporters, and develop ADN volunteer networks nationwide. See [ADNetOnline.org/About/Staff-openings](http://ADNetOnline.org/About/Staff-openings) for more information or contact Anabaptist Disabilities Network at 574-343-1362.

**Looking for a job** where you can feel good about what you do? A job with variety and the opportunity to work with people who value and appreciate you? Goldenrod has an urgent need for Direct Support Professionals for evenings and weekends for Middlebury and Goshen. To compensate team members who work overnight/weekend shifts there are differential rates in place. For more information, call Goldenrod at 574-533-9720 or visit us online at [www.GoldenrodCommunities.org](http://www.GoldenrodCommunities.org).

(repeat) **The CAPS Board of Directors** is pleased to announce the appointment of Melinda Konrath-Fielding as president and CEO beginning on June 4. Konrath-Fielding follows Candy Yoder who has served at CAPS for 29 years. Yoder will be joining the Community Foundation of Elkhart County as Chief Program Officer beginning July 1. Visit CAPS on June 13 from 3-6pm to honor current CEO Candy Yoder, greet new CEO Melinda Konrath-Fielding.

**Dove's Nest and Mennonite Women USA**—are joyfully partnering to sponsor a unique summer event: [Empowering Women: Claiming Healthy Personal Boundaries](#) July 26–27 in Omaha, Nebraska. We are excited about this opportunity to resource both women and girls (age 13–18). We have heard mothers, grandmothers, and older women remark that they wish they'd had this kind of awareness training (based on the [Circle of Grace](#) curriculum) when they were teens, so we designed this event to include multiple generations. For more info and registration: <https://dovesnest.net/Claiming-Healthy-Personal-Boundaries>

(repeat) **Join MCC Great Lakes** and Center for Community Justice for a week-long Pipeline to Prison learning tour, Aug 5-10. Based in Goshen, Ind., the tour will focus on the challenges and complexities of the U.S. criminal justice system and include day trips to Elkhart, Peru and Kokomo. Participants will journey from the local community level through the criminal justice system, learning about law enforcement, sentencing, incarceration and re-entry. All who are interested in learning about disparities in the justice system, including those working in or seeking to develop a prison/re-entry ministry, are welcome. For more information and registration visit [mcc.org/gl-pipeline-to-prison](http://mcc.org/gl-pipeline-to-prison) or contact Cyneatha Millsaps at [CyneathaMillsaps@mcc.org](mailto:CyneathaMillsaps@mcc.org) or 574-534-4133.

(repeat) **Housing for international student:** Our tall, quiet Goshen College Polish student - basketball team member Patryk Ostrowski - is looking for a host family to live with near campus. He can pay \$50-100/month for a room, and he can buy & cook his own food. If you would be interested in housing this fine young man starting next fall, please contact me. Thank you! Skip Barnett, International Student Adviser, Goshen College; [carleb@goshen.edu](mailto:carleb@goshen.edu).

(repeat) **Goshen College** will again offer a number of summer camp opportunities for kids of all ages, including Musical Theater Camp (grades 9-12; June 17-23), 3D Art Camp (Grades 6-8; July 9-13), Write on Sports Camp (grades 7-8; July 9-20), basketball fundamental skills camps (ages 8-15; June 18-20 or July 23-25) and basketball elite camp (high school sophomores, juniors and

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seniors; Aug. 4-5). Learn more and sign up at [goshen.edu/summercamps](http://goshen.edu/summercamps).

(repeat) **Mennonite Mission Network** is seeking young adults to serve with the Tanzania Mennonite Church in its National Youth Ministry Team. Young adults will work with a team helping to facilitate Bible studies, discipleship training, and children's ministries. Successful candidates will be willing to share about their faith and be open to working closely with others on the National Youth Ministry Team. For more information, check out our website at [Journey International Tanzania](http://Journey International Tanzania) or contact Sharon Norton at [SharonN@MennoniteMission.net](mailto:SharonN@MennoniteMission.net).

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