

AssemblyLine

June 10, 2018

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Lectionary Texts: 1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20; Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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Worship at 9:30am

WORSHIP

June 10

Summer Worship schedule begins:

1st hour 9:30-11am

No second hour or Sunday School

Worship leader: *Shaw Perrin*

Storytelling: *Kara Shields, Merritt Gardner, Paul Meyer Reimer*

Welcome & tear-down: *Hygge*

Playground supervisors: *Lisa Rose Martin & Rose Stutzman*

Scripture: *Hebrews 11:1-3*

June 17

Worship leader: *Karen Graber Roth*

Storytelling: *Anne Birky*

Welcome & tear-down: *Maple*

Playground supervisors: *Eric R. Kurtz & Heather Bridger-Ulloa*

Scripture: *Matthew 15:29-39*

CALENDAR

TODAY	June 10	1 st Sun of Summer Worship, (9:30 worship, no 2 nd hour or Sunday School) Blessing of the Bicycles following 1 st hour, North parking lot
Thur-Sat	June 21-23	Central District Conference annual meeting at College Mennonite Church in Goshen
Tue	June 26	7:15pm Small Group Reps meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Leo Herber (rising 3rd Waterford). Leo turned 8 on June 8! He likes to play soccer, basketball and Minecraft. At school, his favorite subjects are gym and math. His favorite food is chicken, and he likes to read comic books and chapter books. He is looking forward to being with his cousins this summer and learning to drive a car eventually!

TODAY is the first Sunday of our summer worship series, *Growing and Tending*. 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. The introduction to this new series can be found attached at the top of this email and paper copies are on the lit table.

During summer worship, children will have the opportunity to use worship response materials during the service following children's time. These items will be located on two shelving units within the worship space and are meant to be used quietly as children sit with their families, and not in clusters of children. One exception is the coloring table, where several people, including adults, may sit together. At the conclusion of response time, please help your child gather any materials they brought to their

seat. Check the floor for stray scraps, pencils and pieces of playdough, and return baskets to their proper location.

Construction Update! What to expect to see today: More chair cabinets on the West side of the current worship space. What is planned for the next week: Flooring in North and Middle classrooms will be installed.

The 7th annual Blessing of the Bicycles will happen TODAY, 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!

Assembly Mennonite Church is seeking two half-time pastoral candidates (each .56 FTE) to join two existing part-time pastors. Details of both positions can be found in the job posting attached at the top of this email and on Assembly's website here. Assembly encourages applications from under-represented groups. Candidates may apply by filling out the Ministerial Leadership Information (MLI) form available at the denominational office of Mennonite Church USA or [online here](https://www.mcnca.org). Completion of this form will include an interview with Central District Conference Minister. If you already have an updated MLI on record with Mennonite Church USA and wish to apply please contact Doug Luginbill at confmin@mcusacdc.org to express interest.

We at Assembly, along with other area congregations will be hosting the annual meeting of Central District Conference, June 21-23. All are welcome to join for worship times. Nina Lanctot, John Powell, and Jonathan Larson will be speaking. More info at <https://www.mcusacdc.org/worship/> Assembly is also hosting the Saturday morning snack break. If you are interested in helping with that, please contact James Stuckey Weber at jamesnw@gmail.com.

(repeat) **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](#).

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

(repeat) **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.

(repeat) **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)

(repeat) **A search committee** has formed to hire 2 pastors: Brian Mast and Jeanne Liechty co-chairs, Barb Swartley, Gayle Gerber Koontz, Stacey Farran, Randy Roth

(repeat) **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, 717-823-7642. **Levi:** leviyodersmucker@gmail.com, 574-213-5007. **New address:** 10 Fernleigh Dr, Apt D1 Cooperstown, NY 13326.

community connections

Join the Goldenrod community on June 14 for a delicious meal of High's BBQ chicken with all the fixin's and homemade pie. Gather in support of the Project Promise ministry that provides both spiritual and social activities to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Held at Siloam Fellowship [61616 Co Rd 35, Goshen](#) from 4-7:30pm Suggested donation of \$10/person

All are invited to attend the CDC annual meeting at College Mennonite Church, Goshen, Indiana, June 21-23. Anyone wishing to attend the delegate sessions on Friday, 8:30a-5:15p or Saturday, 10:30a-12p may register at <https://www.mcusacdc.org/adult-registration/>. Registration for the delegate sessions is not required for the following events and the public is welcome to attend. Worship services are on Thur at 7:30p, Fri at 7:30p and Sat at 8:30a. The bike/walk/run event is on Thur at 1p. Registration fee is \$20/person. Register at <https://www.mcusacdc.org/bike-run-walk/>. The golf outing on Thursday at 10:30a. Registration fee is \$80/person; \$160 for a two-person team. Register at <https://www.mcusacdc.org/golf-outing/>. Mennonite Women's and Mennonite Men's dinners are on Fri at 5:30p. Tickets are \$19/person. Please contact Emma Hartman at office@mcusacdc.org or call 534-1485 so we have an accurate count for the meal.

Calling all walkers! Save the date: Sat, Sept 15 for the 10th annual Maple City Walk. Choose from a 10K, half marathon, and full marathon. The course will feature the Pumpkinvine Nature Trail. All participants will receive a medal and be entered into a drawing for a free pair of walking shoes. For more info about the event including registration, course map, and walking tips, go to www.cityonthego.org/maple-city-walk/home/ Also, "like" Maple City Walk on Facebook.

Maple City Health Care Center is looking for a bookkeeper, 30-40 hr/wk to join our non-profit organization. For more details, please see the job description on our website: mchcc.org. Interested persons should email letter of interest, resume and references to Karen Miller Rush, Director of Finance, karenmr@mchcc.org

Please email announcements to assemblyline@assemblymennonite.org by 8 AM local time Friday for inclusion in the following Sunday's *AssemblyLine*. To receive the *AssemblyLine* via email visit <http://eepurl.com/bsXsDr>.

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Elders: Rose Stutzman (chair), Jeanne Liechty, Justin Rothshank, Joel Zwier, James Stuckey Weber, Wilma Harder
Youth Coordinators: Wendel Landes, Ally Mast, and Daniel Mast

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(repeat) **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 for more information.

(repeat) **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

(repeat) **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 for more info.

(repeat) **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 for more info or contact Anabaptist Disabilities Network at 574-343-1362.

(repeat) **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.

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